

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE MINUTES

January 5, 2015

Mr. Fridly called the regular meeting of the Public Works Committee to order at 6:30pm.

Members present: Dale Adams, Kevin Bunge, Scott Fridly, Cory Magnus, Tricia Nelson, Don Self, and Gordy Nygren.

Staff present: Tricia Diduch and Pat Hoey

Also present; Jodi May

Motion by Mr. Magnus, second by Mrs. Nelson, to waive the reading of and approve the minutes of December 15, 2014. All ayes. Motion carried 3-0.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

VILLAGE ENGINEER – KEVIN BUNGE

Village Engineer Kevin Bunge gave his report. A copy of his report is on file with the Village Clerk's office.

Mr. Bunge stated that he wasn't sure if the plans for the skatepark submitted by Grindline need to be stamped/sealed and that C.E.S. cannot stamp the plans. Mrs. Nelson will contact Grindline and ask about stamping/sealing the plans.

Mr. Bunge also revisited the map for future development of the WWTP. Mr. Bunge inquired if they wanted to keep both Z2C and Z2D in the 20 year plan. He also stated that he would like to have a separate meeting to discuss the potential areas to locate the treatment plant. He will look at his schedule and get back to Mr. Fridly as to when they can meet.

MAYOR - DALE ADAMS

Mayor Adams discussed the garbage proposal. In addition to the previous terms of the agreement, Rock River Disposal will also include a 95 gallon garbage tote and a 65 gallon recycle tote to the residents. Mayor Adams added that residents will only be able to dispose of one large item per week. Mayor Adams also suggested easing into the increase since it will be going from \$11.40/month to \$14.50/month for service. Mayor Adams stated that the Village would be getting back \$6,000 - \$8,000 generated by the tipping fee.

WATER, SEWER, & GARBAGE – SCOTT FRIDLIDY

Mr. Fridly discussed the marketing agreement with Service Line Warranties of America. Mayor Adams stated that the only difference is that instead of one fee that there are two separate fees. Atty. Szeto has reviewed the agreement and this is on the Village Board agenda for approval.

Mr. Fridly also asked Mr. Bunge for numbers to run sewer out to the Sand Trap property. Ms. Diduch stated that the owner stated he would like to have two buildings and a storage area for mulch. He also stated that they would not need sewer right away, but would like it in the future. The Sand Trap is in a TIF district. The TIF doesn't have money right now, but should it start generating funds at a later time it could be used to pay for expenses.

STREETS AND WALKS – CORY MAGNUS

Mr. Magnus requested to get approval to work with Mr. Bunge on updating the maps in order to have them completed before the RoRo Expo in March. Mr. Bunge stated that the cost would be minimal to the Village. The Committee agreed to have Mr. Bunge update the maps.

Ms. Diduch presented proposals from IDOT in reference to property acquisition and temporary easements. Ms. Diduch and Mayor Adams met with Melody McCracken with American Surveying & Engineering in reference to the proposals to acquire property and temporary easements. There is a small area at the northeast corner of Blackhawk Boulevard and Hawick Streets for handicap parking and an area on the east side of Blackhawk Boulevard near Village Green Park that this would effect. Mr. Magnus suggested eliminating parking on Blackhawk Boulevard and put it on Union Street near Village Green Park. The total dollar amount is around \$14,000. Ms. Diduch stated that there may be a third parcel, but they haven't presented anything as of yet. This will be on the Village Board agenda on January 20, 2015.

BUILDINGS AND PARKS – TRICIA NELSON

Mrs. Nelson discussed the agreement with the Rockton Rush. The agreement was from September, but the Village just received the signed copy from Brian Kelly, the owner of the Rockton Rush along with a \$1,000 check for ticket sales. It was noted that the Village needs a schedule for the season from the Rockton Rush and Mr. Self will follow up with Brian Kelly, owner of the Rockton Rush, in reference to this.

PUBLIC WORKS – GORDY NYGREN

Mr. Nygren stated that the two Steiner lights outside by the flag pole had been out and that he replaced them. The cost for the lights is \$1,869.74 which includes the cartridges. Mrs. Nelson stated that she would get a consensus for the purchase of the lights at the Village Board meeting.

Mr. Nygren also said that they had a multimeter that wasn't working so he purchased another one for \$521.80. Motion made by Mr. Fridly to approve the purchase of a new multimeter for the Public Works Department in the amount of \$521.80, second by Mr. Magnus. Roll call. Motion approved 3-0.

Mr. Nygren added that they have a 2009 one ton truck snap an A frame. Mr. Nygren spoke with a welder and they are going to have to take the vehicle to a frame specialist to take a look at it.

Mr. Nygren stated that he and Ms. Diduch spoke with Barb from Three Hammer Construction and she was upset about the right of way permit costs. Mayor Adams stated that he felt that the permits should be eliminated for new construction. Mr. Fridly suggested that the public works manager can look at each case individually and choose to waive the permit. There was a lengthy discussion in regards to if the right of way permit should be waived for new construction of a subdivision under development on a public accepted street versus new construction in an area that is a developed subdivision and has finished roads and curbs that have been accepted. It was suggested that the contractors developing new subdivisions can provide a bond to the Village while they are completing work in that area. Mr. Fridly requested that Mr. Bunge further discuss the structure of bonds with Mr. Nygren. Ms. Diduch will let the residents/contractor know about the permit and/or bond, the Village Clerk and Village Collector will be responsible for completing the paperwork and receiving the deposit and/or bond, Mr. Nygren will inspect the area where the work is being completed and advise the Village Collector if the full or partial reimbursement can be returned depending on if the area was returned to its original condition. Mr. Fridly stated that as of right now there are too many open questions regarding the right of way permit and that it will be on hold until some issues are clarified. Mr. Bunge suggested that the right of way applications be completed, but waive the fees so that the Village can still monitor any work being done in the Village. Ms. Diduch stated that she would speak with Lowell Freedlund

in reference to who owns the public improvements in Old River Hills Subdivision at this time until the Village accepts it.

PARKS & RECREATION DIRECTOR – DON SELF

Mr. Self discussed the Banner Program and stated that it's in place now. Ms. Diduch is mailing out the information to the 55 businesses and Mr. Self emailed the Rockton Chamber of Commerce, but Mr. Self will email the Committee members to distribute the information as well. Mr. Self added that he has already had some responses and some banners are already being displayed. Ms. Diduch clarified that she is conducting a parking survey wanting to know what the businesses feel they need for parking.

Mr. Self added that he sent in the specs today for the Thunderrock Prairie Park sign with pictures of current signs so that they can get some ideas and get back to him.

Mr. Magnus inquired about who is cleaning the ice skating rink or the hockey rink. Mr. Self spoke to Public Works to see if the community service workers are cleaning the rinks, but that would only be once a week on Sundays. Mr. Self spoke to Mayor Adams about purchasing a snow blower, but unless there were ramps available a single stage snow blower would work properly depending on the type of snow. Mr. Self stated that if they purchased a dual stage snow blower it could be used in other places such as the dog park. Mayor Adams suggested talking to Public Works to see what they can do since we are further into the Winter season.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS ALLOWED BY LAW

None.

ADJOURN

Motion by Mr. Magnus, second by Mrs. Nelson, to adjourn at 7:55 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Christina Stewart
Village Clerk