

MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING OF JANUARY 23, 2013

Call to Order

President Vanden Berg called the Committee of the Whole meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

Roll Call

PRESENT: President Vanden Berg, Trustee Berken, Trustee Frassetto, Trustee Hietpas, Trustee Peerenboom, Trustee Smith, Trustee Van Lankvelt

ALSO PRESENT: C. Kell, T. Matheny, R. Van Gheem, S. Berkers

Interested Citizens, Media Reps

Public Appearance for Items not on the Agenda

None

Moved by Trustee Frassetto, seconded by Trustee Hietpas to enter Public Hearing for Proposed Special Assessments – Private Sanitary Lateral/Storm Sewer Laterals – Project Area- Main Street (Hwy. 96) from Jackson St. to East Village Limits.

Ayes 7, Nays 0 - Motion Carried Unanimously

Public Hearing-Proposed Special Assessments – Private Sanitary Lateral/Storm Sewer Laterals – Project Area- Main Street (Hwy. 96) from Jackson St. to East Village Limits

R. Van Gheem discussed the Main Street project and noted that questions would be taken after the presentation. Nick Vande Hey from McMahon went over a handout given to the audience that noted when the construction would begin and a timeline of each portion of the utility project. T. Matheny went over a handout given to the audience regarding the Village's Special Assessment Collection Policy. T. Matheny noted that property owners would not receive a bill for Special Assessments until the early part of 2014. T. Matheny emphasized to the audience the importance of disclosing the utility assessment information to real estate agents or potential buyers of their property. Mark Landreman questioned if the assessments were an estimate or actual costs. R. Van Gheem stated that the costs are based on an average length of 55 ft. and that the costs could change if the setback is more than that. N. Vande Hey noted to business owners that they may want to think of future needs and possibly have a cap put on the main for a future hook-up. Jack Lex, 718 E. Main St., questioned if there was an advantage to paying off his special assessment before it goes on the tax roll. T. Matheny stated that the only advantage of paying early would be avoiding the interest charge if it is financed by the village. N. Vande Hey noted to the audience that a street assessment hearing would be held at a future date. Wayne Lowery, 1518 E. Main St., questioned why the property owner has to pay for the storm sewer lateral from the main to property. R. Van Gheem stated that currently storm sewer laterals do not exist therefore the property owner is responsible for the first time cost of installing them. Mr. Lex questioned why it was the responsibility of the homeowner for the installation of the storm lateral. R. Van Gheem stated that most residents want to do the work themselves to save money. Mr. Lex stated that he wanted the Board to offer the option of having storm laterals installed by the contractor.

(Public Works Dept. Notes from Hearing Attached)

Moved by Trustee Smith, seconded by Trustee Frassetto to exit the Public Hearing. (6:36 p.m.)

Ayes 7, Nays 0 - Motion Carried Unanimously

Approval of Hold Harmless Agreement between Alliance Construction and Design Inc. and the Village of Little Chute

Trustee Hietpas stated that he did not want to see another blind corner added to this portion of Main Street. C. Kell stated that the Village will make sure that the storage of the building materials on the Village property does not cause a visibility problem at the intersection. C. Kell also stated that the salon project should be underway once this agreement goes into effect.

Moved by Trustee Frassetto, Seconded by Trustee Berken to Approve the Hold Harmless Agreement between Alliance Construction and Design Inc. and the Village of Little Chute.

Ayes 7, Nays 0 - Motion Carried Unanimously

Unfinished Business

Trustee Van Lankvelt stated that he wanted to clarify his earlier statement on the West Lincoln Park and although he does not believe it is a good spot for a park he will support it, because so many people are in favor of the future park. Trustee Van Lankvelt went on to say what a great job the Park Planning Committee did on planning the park.

Items for Future Agenda

Trustee Smith requested that storm sewer lateral installation options for the Main Street project be put on a future agenda.

Moved by Trustee Frassetto, seconded by Trustee Berken to enter into closed session. (6:41 p.m.)

Ayes 7, Nays 0 – Motion Carried

Staff and the Deputy Clerk were excused from the meeting.

Closed Session: 19.85(1)(c) Consideration of Employment, Promotion, or Performance Evaluation Data of any Public Employee of the Village of Little Chute and 19.85 (g) Conferring with Legal Counsel for the Village, legal counsel rendering oral or written advice concerning strategy to be adopted by the Village Board with respect to litigation in which the Village is now or is likely to be involved. *Discussion of a personnel contract matter*

Moved by Trustee Frassetto, seconded by Trustee Smith to exit closed session and return to open session. (7:06 p.m.)

Ayes 7, Nays 0 – Motion Carried Unanimously

Return to Open Session

No action taken.

Adjourn

Moved by Trustee Frassetto, seconded by Trustee Smith to Adjourn the Committee of the Whole meeting at 7:06 p.m.

Ayes 7, Nays 0 – Motion Carried Unanimously

VILLAGE OF LITTLE CHUTE

By: Michael R. Vanden Berg, Village President

Attest: Sandy Berkers, Village Deputy Clerk