

MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING OF MAY 27, 2009

Call to Order

President Fischer called the Committee of the Whole meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Roll Call

PRESENT: President Fischer, Trustee Elrick, Trustee Leicht, Trustee Ransbottom, Trustee Smith, Trustee Van Deurzen, Trustee Versteegen

ALSO PRESENT: C. Kell, D. Haug, R. Van Gheem, J. Moes, T. Flick, V. Schneider,

Public Appearance for Items not on the Agenda

None

Discussion/Possible Action – Steve Hietpas, 1234 Dotty Drive – Concrete Apron Repair

R. Van Gheem reviewed the circumstances of three locations within the Village where the concrete aprons moved and cracked and stated the Department has extensively researched the issue but a reason why the concrete shoving could not be determined. Mr. Hietpas stated his position is that the concrete expanded because not enough expansion joints were placed in the road and the street expansion pushed his apron and sidewalk and since the Village cut additional joints in the concrete, his apron has not moved. Mr. Hietpas stated he has had to deal with entering his driveway at a 45 degree angle for five years and he wants the driveway fixed. Mr. Hietpas also stated that the catch basin and gutter need to be repaired or replaced. R. Van Gheem stated that he recommends that if the Village pays for the cost of repairing the aprons, then the Village should have some mechanism to prevent the occurrence in the future possibly by adopting an ordinance to control lot configurations or by restricting placement of aprons on corner lots. Discussion took place. Board members agreed that the Village should share in the replacement cost and directed the Public Works Director to bring back estimated costs to have the apron and sidewalk repaired. Mr. Hietpas stated he will also provide some quotes for the repairs. Board members will determine the Villages' involvement in replacement costs of the apron and sidewalk once they review the quotes. Board members also noted that this will only be a one time cost sharing replacement option for the affected property owners.

Discussion/Possible Action – Wayne Lamers, 726 Jackson Street, Carriage Walk Replacement

R. Van Gheem explained the situation that resulted in the removing of a portion of the carriage walk and the replacement of the walk with exposed aggregate concrete. R. Van Gheem stated the Lamers' are not pleased that the color of the new walk does not match the color of their existing walk. Mr. Lamers commented on the issue and stated he wants to work with the Village and he contacted the contractor that poured the initial concrete and he has also found pavers that match and he feels he can correct the situation for \$1,000 to \$1,200. Discussion took place.

Moved by Trustee Elrick, seconded by Trustee Ransbottom to reimburse Mr. and Mrs. Lamers, \$1,000 once they have completed the project of removing and restoring their carriage walk.

Ayes 7, Nay 0 – Motion Carried Unanimously

Discussion/Possible Action – Regarding the Purchase and Method of Payment for Polycarts Associated with the Single Stream Recycling Program

R. Van Gheem reviewed the size options for recycling polycarts and stated the Department is recommending the 65 gallon size carts as they will be adequate for the majority of the users.

R. Van Gheem stated that they would like to purchase the polycarts from the same manufacturer that the Village uses for their refuse carts and the estimated cost which includes delivery is \$45 per cart. Board members discussed the recommendation and agreed that if residents that have a higher volume of recycling can request an additional cart, then they could agree with the recommendation to go with the 65

gallon polycarts. Options for funding the polycarts will be discussed at a future meeting. The polycarts will be the property of the Village and will be marked as such and they will have a different color lid to differentiate them from refuse containers. Trustee Ransbottom asked staff to include information in the summer newsletter to notify residents that the Village will be obtaining recycling polycarts.

Moved by Trustee Smith, seconded by Trustee Elrick to authorize the Public Works Department to purchase 65 gallon polycarts for recycling.

Ayes 7, Nay 0 – Motion Carried Unanimously

Action – Set a Date for the Special Assessment Hearing for the Wildenberg Drive Project

The Village Clerk recommended the hearing date be set for the June 17th Board meeting and the Preliminary Assessment Resolution provided to Trustees needs to be adopted to set the public hearing.

Moved by Trustee Elrick, seconded by Trustee Leicht to Adopt Resolution No. 20, Series of 2009, Preliminary Assessment Resolution to set the Public Hearing date for the Wildenberg Drive Concrete Paving Assessments for June 17, 2009 at 6:00 p.m.

Ayes 7, Nay 0 – Motion Carried Unanimously

Discussion of Deer Herd Control Options

T. Flick stated the information from the DNR on herd control options was provided as requested by the Board and he also reiterated that it is his position and the position of the Park Planning Committee that they do not have an issue with the deer as they are not harming the parks. T. Flick stated the complaints he receives are from residents' who are concerned with the deer destroying their vegetation. Board members discussed the options outlined by the DNR which are to do nothing, to enact a no feeding/baiting ban, conduct sharpshooting paid for by the Village, trap the deer and have the State sell them to a licensed game farm, allow hunting to coincide with the State-wide season but controlled within the Village limits, allow for controlled hunting through a nuisance wildlife permit outside of the regular hunting season. Trustee Elrick suggested asking the DNR if having someone come in to tranquilize the deer and move them to a deer farm is an option and he will provide T. Flick with contact information of a deer farm. C. Kell stated that if the Village proceeds with trying to control the deer herds, a long term commitment is needed for it to be a successful control of the herd. Trustee Van Deurzen also brought up the possibility of a managed archery shoot and issuing permits to residents who qualify to participate in a managed shoot. T. Flick will report back on the tranquilizing option at a future meeting.

Discussion/Possible Action – Little Chute Design Manual and Business Improvement Fund

Trustee Verstegen reviewed the drafted minutes of the ALC Steering Committee and their suggestions for the Business Improvement Fund element of the Design Manual. C. Kell stated that the businesses may not support the design manual without the development of a fund to assist them financially with improvements. Discussion took place. Board members agreed that the design manual ordinance should be a separate decision from the funding issue and J. Moes stated he will draft an ordinance to adopt the design manual and establish a Design Review Board and it will be presented to the Plan Commission for comment and recommendation and then it will be brought back to the Board to set a Public Hearing.

Discussion – Budget Adjustment-Inflatable Recreation Equipment

The Parks, Recreation and Forestry Department received a \$4,600 donation from the Cheese Festival to be used for the purchase of inflatable recreation equipment and Board members reviewed the budget adjustment for purchase of the equipment and agreed to put the item on next week's agenda for action.

Approval of Fireworks Permit for the Great Wisconsin Cheese Festival

Moved by Trustee Elrick, seconded by Trustee Ransbottom to approve the Fireworks Permit for the Great Wisconsin Cheese Festival.

Ayes 7, Nay 0 – Motion Carried Unanimously

Unfinished Business

None

Items for Future Agenda

Trustee Verstegen asked to have an item on a future agenda for consideration of a funding request for the Windmill Viewing Pocket Park. Trustee Verstegen also commented that LC Windmill, Inc. is holding a presentation on Wednesday evening, June 10 at the High School and that is also the date for McMahon's 100th anniversary celebration and she asked if the Board meeting was going to be canceled for that Wednesday. President Fischer stated that the meeting could be rescheduled or canceled. No action was taken to reschedule or cancel the meeting.

Adjournment

Moved by Trustee Elrick, seconded by Trustee Van Deurzen to adjourn the Committee of the Whole meeting at 7:55 p.m.

Ayes-7, Nay-0, Motion Carried Unanimously

VILLAGE OF LITTLE CHUTE

By: Charles Fischer, Village President

Attest: Vicki Schneider, Village Clerk