

WORKSHOP MINUTES
VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
APRIL 8, 2009

PRESENT: All Board Members, Acting Village President Strawn, Aimee Ingalls, Ed Graham, Lou Haussmann

CENTERPOINT INTERMODAL UNIT 6 – FINAL PLAT REVIEW

President Strawn – read over and we will review at meeting.

VASCOR, LTD. – DRAY STORAGE YARD #1 AND #2

Aimee Ingalls – no action to be taken at this time, wanted to introduce this to you, this is a different use. Planning Board will have a Public Hearing with a recommendation for the Village Board.

COMMUNITY ROOM POLICY AND AGREEMENT – DISCUSSION

Aimee Ingalls – you have a copy of the guidelines on the use of the room. This has been adopted by the board. There is a refundable deposit. We charge a rental fee. Basically the use is for non-profit organizations. I recommend no changes.

Change the name of the room from Community Room – that is where people feel they can use the room.

Aimee Ingalls – call it a Meeting Room and not Community Room.

DESIGN OF DOUGLAS STREET – MFT AGREEMENT

Lou Haussmann from Baxter Woodman – explained that Elwood was part of the Federal Stimulus money with the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act. The Douglas Street project between Mississippi and Route 53 needs resurfacing. We are applying for MFT funds for

construction and construction inspection. Elwood needs to get plans to IDOT, MFT to design plans before July. Letting the projects will start in 2010. \$14,000.00 for design but will receive 100% of funding to re-do street. Will receive grant amount of \$105,000.00.

PAY REQUEST – FUTURE BUILDER’S – LITTLE PARK RESTROOMS AND SHELTER

Aimee Ingalls – have been waiting for the final documents from the contractor in order to pay, we have finally received all the documents. The amount of the pay request is \$12,879.00.

PAY REQUEST – MISSISSIPPI AVENUE SECTION C – L&M CONCRETE

Pay request is in the amount of \$5,261.46.

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT FOR CERTAIN TERRITORY COMMONLY REFERRED TO AS THE FOTH PROPERTY, GENERALLY LOCATED AT OR NEAR THE INTERSECTION OF DIAGONAL AND TEHLE ROADS, VILLAGE OF ELWOOD, WILL COUNTY, ILLINOIS

Ed Graham – ordinance has been drafted. Authorize the Village President to sign the development agreement. The development agreement is in draft form. The property was annexed without the agreement. The agreement is the same as the Coldwater agreement. Right to connect to water system, he will receive three (3) stubs, the only obligation of the Village. Municipal, road and bridge taxes will be rebated by the Village.

MOTOR FUEL TAX (MFT) AUDIT REPORT NO. 53

Aimee Ingalls, just for your information, this is a yearly report of our audit. Document will be presented to the Finance Committee next week.

PROPOSED AGREEMENT FOR COLLECTION SERVICES

Question was asked if this is for water bills.

Aimee Ingalls for any delinquent bills the village has.

DONATION – CRISIS LINE OF WILL COUNTY

President Strawn – they are looking for money donation, will be addressed at the meeting.

HIRING OF POLICE OFFICERS

Trustee Jones – why does board hire police? The Chief should have the ability to hire.

Give some thought to give Chief and Aimee the authority to hire police with only the board knowing about after they are hired. Interviewing cannot be done in open session.

Trustee LaPaglia – Illinois Statutes states the Board has the right to hire or fire. Need a resolution or ordinance to relinquish the Board.

Chief is responsible to recommend candidates.

Ed Graham – administrator ordinance allows the Administrator to hire, we have created an exception already, has been delegated but not implemented.

Hiring policy needs to be explained, administrator has the ability to hire or fire.

Trustee Wagner, board member to set in on interviews.

Trustee LaPaglia – board decides yes or no.

Trustee Wagner – final phase of Meadowbrook 5.

Aimee Ingalls – Chalen has six (6) weeks after the asphalt plants open to re-do road and then turn the road over to the Village. If he does not, the Village will do the road.

Trustee Kucera – talked to Scott about the straw bales, before Chalen fixes the road, need to get straw bales out. We need to fix the mud problem.

Public Works can do cold patch.