

**WORKSHOP MINUTES  
VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
NOVEMBER 12, 2008**

PRESENT: Aimee Ingalls, Ed Graham, Nick Narduci, Kevin Breslin and Jeremy Gray

AN ORDINANCE ACCEPTING A SPECIAL WARRANTY DEED FROM CENTERPOINT INTERMODAL, LLC CONVEYING CERTAIN PARCELS OF REAL ESTATE AND AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AN EASEMENT AGREEMENT FOR ACCESS THERETO

AN ORDINANCE FOR THE LEVY AND ASSESSMENT OF TAXES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING MAY 1, 2008 AND ENDING APRIL 30, 2009 FOR THE VILLAGE OF ELWOOD

Nick Narduci – asking the board to consider 4.9% increase in property taxes. It is not a good time to increase taxes but need to continue to increase in order to get up to where we should be.

AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A FINAL PLAT OF INDUSTRIAL SUBDIVISION FOR THE CENTERPOINT INTERMODAL CENTER EAST UNIT ONE, VILLAGE OF ELWOOD

Ed Graham explained that the Plan Commission recommended approval consistent with the Annexation Agreement.

Kevin Breslin – will be closing with Bissell in the middle of the month.

AN ORDINANCE PROPOSING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF SPECIAL SERVICE AREA 2 AND CALLING FOR A PUBLIC HEARING WITH REGARD THERETO FOR THE VILLAGE OF ELWOOD

Ed Graham – not to be considered this month, need to be passed before you can establish a SSA Area, roadway maintenance and infrastructure to be paid from the SSA.

Kevin Breslin – need to close with Bissell before SSA is established.

Ed Graham – will before you on the December meeting.

AN ORDINANCE REPEALING ORDINANCE 835 IN ITS ENTIRETY AND ESTABLISHING NEW WATER METER FEES PURSUANT TO ORDINANCE 695, FOR THE VILLAGE OF ELWOOD

Aimee Ingalls – update for the existing fees, has not been updated for awhile. Need to recover all costs that the Village puts out. There have been a few changes in the costs. Will be with the new ordinance at the meeting.

IDOT DRAFT LETTER OF SUPPORT FOR GAS CITY

President Strawn – this is for the right-in and right-out for Gas City. Letter to IDOT for support. Aimee and I went to meeting with IDOT and there did not seem to be much opposition.

Aimee Ingalls – you already approved a support letter. Was a concern that they did not want continuous changes. Revised letter for right-in and right-out to assure IDOT will not continually ask for curb cuts for access. Gas City is here tonight. Will have a Public Hearing before the Plan Commission in December for site plan and special uses, traffic in particular. Signalization part of that program.

Trustee LaPaglia – asked about trucks idling?

Aimee Ingalls – no overnight parking with limited amount of trucks to be in there.

Trustee LaPaglia – no idling while they are parked.

President Strawn – how do you enforce them sitting and idling?

Ed Graham – through the approval process, Plan Commission should consider with site plan with conditions in the development of the site.

Aimee Ingalls – asking for approval of re-draft of letter.

#### ELEVATOR MAINTENANCE CONTRACT

President Strawn – this is for maintenance on our elevator.

Need to get a contract in place soon.

#### WASTE WATER PLANT OPERATOR

President Strawn – renew contract with EMC. How many years are we going to give them. I would like to give them five (5) years. We will purchase the materials.

Nick Narduci – was bid out, two bids received, one from Mansard and one from EMC. The engineering was done by Baxter Woodman, they will be at the next meeting. Both companies are qualified. Will save some money. A four (4) year contract with renewal year to year.

Corey Byington – there has been no major cost on maintenance.

Nick Narduci – I feel we have not done any maintenance.

Bob Bland – EMC maintains their equipment.

Trustee LaPaglia – need recommendation from Staff.

Nick Narduci – we bid this contract out like we do any other contract. They have to follow the specs of the contract.

Ed Graham - continue discussion, defer further conversation, have discussion out of public comments.

#### MEADOWBROOK SUBDIVISION - Incomplete Improvement

President Strawn – talked to Chalen, filled some holes, he will plow streets.

Aimee Ingalls – need to complete so village can take over and plow. He wants to finish in the spring, wants to plow himself, will increase the level of service through his contractor.

Would like the village to consider to pull down on from Letter of Credit if he does not come get work done.

Trustee LaPaglia – are we going to inform the residents in Meadowbrook 5?

Aimee Ingalls – need direct phone number for his contractor so the residents can contact him. Some of his equipment will be staged on village property. Long term issue for us to take over. Other public improvements need to be worked on with him. Highest priority is the road, will take care of in the spring, will get specific with a time frame.

#### FINAL CHANGE ORDER – MISSISSIPPI B

Aimee Ingalls – IDOT had to review to make sure everything is complete. No money due. Just close out the job.

## NORTH BASELINE ROAD EXTENSION

Kevin Breslin and Jeremy Gray from CenterPoint.

No action at this time, just to inform you.

Explained the Baseline Extension, will be a four lane for heavy traffic, the main arterial. Noel Road is on federal land and township maintained. All property south of Noel Road will be Elwood. Baseline Extension will be the responsibility of the Village. CenterPoint will acquire the easement. Baseline Road is approximately two miles.

Question was asked about bridging over river to Houbolt. No specific plans right now.

Trustee LaPaglia – Route 53 and Arsenal will not be able to handle all the traffic.

Interstate 55 interchange to be done in 2009.

Kevin Breslin – easement from military for Baseline Extension.

## FINAL PAY REQUEST – PAVEMENT MARKING PROJECT

## FINAL PAY REQUEST – CRACK SEALING

## DSC TAX APPEAL

Ed Graham – DSC is appealing assessed value, hearing to be held November 18<sup>th</sup>. The Village has authorized to contest the appeal. Keep property properly assessed so when the TIF is complete, will stay at what they are assessed.

## IML RISK MANAGEMENT – Early Payment Option

Nick Narduci – recommend we pay early to avoid penalty charge, will save around \$1,400.00 if we pay early.

### STAR NETWORK SERVICE AGREEMENT

Aimee Ingalls – explained this is used for our billing on the water bills. A service agreement for the software we use. Will have to install another antenna at the old sewer plant.

### HIRING PART TIME POLICE OFFICER

Chief Albert requesting the hiring of a part time officer, Joseph Pate.

Aimee Ingalls – creating a hiring policy, will be bringing to you for approval. Will have to go through the process. Will be a separate hiring policy for non sworn employees, outside testing.

### APPOINTMENT PARK COMMITTEE

President Strawn – would like to recommend Lori Jenco to be appointed to Park Committee