

COMMITTEE-AT-LARGE MINUTES: JANUARY 26, 2009

The Committee-at-Large Meeting was held Monday, January 26, 2009, in the Village Hall. The meeting started at 6:30 p.m.

Present: Mayor Hoerchler, Trustees Brandmeyer, Malina, Swank, Linthicum and Gloeckner. **Absent:** Trustee Fiedler. **Staff Members Present:** Clerk Crane; and Jerry Green, Chief Building & Zoning Office.

Illinois Rural Water Association Conference: Lonny Broeckling

A motion was made by Trustee Gloeckner and seconded by Trustee Linthicum to approve Public Works Dept. employee Lonny Broeckling to attend the Illinois Rural Water Association (IRWA) Conference in Effingham, February 17-19, 2009, \$175.00 for registration plus expenses.

Ayes: Brandmeyer, Malina, Swank, Linthicum, Gloeckner.

Nays: None.

A majority of the Council voting aye, the motion carried.

Southern Illinois Criminal Justice Summit: Chief Michael Riley

A motion was made by Trustee Brandmeyer and seconded by Trustee Gloeckner to approve Police Chief Michael Riley to attend the Southern Illinois Criminal Justice Summit (SICJS) in Mount Vernon, February 25-26, 2009, \$100.00 for registration which includes accommodations.

Ayes: Malina, Swank, Linthicum, Gloeckner, Brandmeyer.

Nays: None.

A majority of the Council voting aye, the motion carried.

Sales Tax; Business District; TIF District

Trustee Brandmeyer relayed some questions that Keith Moran of Development & Municipal Initiatives, LLC (DMI) had regarding the proposed TIF District #2 and Business District. It was clarified that the Village Board does not want to extend the life of the current TIF that is set to expire in 2014. Mr. Moran also needs to know where the Board wants the new TIF and Business Districts to be. Does any of the current TIF District get included in the new Business District? An advantage is that the sales tax collected in the Business District goes into the General Fund, but it can be designated for projects, i.e. roads and sidewalks. Business in the current TIF would have the same sales tax rate, but new developments would have a higher sales tax rate.

Amending Meeting Time and Date

It was discussed changing the Committee-at-Large Meeting time to 7:00 p.m. instead of 6:30 p.m. It was also talked about changing the holiday schedule for meetings. Currently, if a meeting falls on a holiday, the meeting is re-scheduled for the following Monday. It was proposed to change it to the following Tuesday. All Board Members agreed to these changes. Attorney Gruenke will be contacted to prepare the new ordinance for the February 2, 2009, Regular Meeting.

Tornado Siren

Previously, it was agreed upon to purchase a third storm warning siren when Clinton County Tax monies were received. Administrator Nielsen verified with American Signal Corporation that the previous price quote of \$28,253.00 was still in effect. Board members had specific questions and since Administrator Nielsen was not in attendance, the matter was tabled.

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Civic Center Usage:
American Legion
Baseball

Discussion revolved around the use of the Civic Center gym for usage by the American Legion Baseball team. Trustee Brandmeyer made the motion to allow the American Legion Baseball team to use the Civic Center gym, fee waived, for their practices on Sundays. Second made by Trustee Gloeckner.

Ayes: Brandmeyer, Malina, Swank, Linthicum, Gloeckner.

Nays: None.

A majority of the Council voting aye, the motion carried.

Sign Ordinance

The final revision of the Sign Ordinance was presented for review. Jerry Green, Chief Building & Zoning Office stated that in this last version omitted information on "off-premise signs." Omitting these types of signs would affect Spaeth's Welding, Lohman's ProSkreen, New Baden Auto Body, American Legion and any future development south of New Baden. Attorney Gruenke will be checked with.

Pool Concession
Stand

Mark Schilli, former Village Trustee, addressed the Board on building a Concession Stand at the Legion Memorial Pool. This had been talked about in the past. Mr. Schilli stated that he already had volunteers lined up to help with the construction and the working of the concession stand through out the summer. It was discussed that while it is a great idea, it could be detrimental with the OSLAD grant the Village has applied for with the State of Illinois. This idea will be put on hold until word is received on the status of the OSLAD grant. It is a project that can possibly be built at the same time as other construction at the Pool.

Executive Session

Trustee Malina made the motion to adjourn to Executive Session and seconded by Trustee Gloeckner.

Ayes: Brandmeyer, Malina, Swank, Linthicum, Gloeckner

Nays: None

A majority of the Council voting aye, the motion carried and the meeting adjourned to Executive Session at 7:04 p.m.

Meeting reconvened to Open Session at 7:25 p.m.

There being no further business to be discussed by the Village Board, a motion was made by Trustee Brandmeyer and seconded by Trustee Gloeckner to adjourn the meeting.

Ayes: Brandmeyer, Malina, Swank, Linthicum, Gloeckner

Nays: None

A majority of the Council voting aye, the motion carried and the meeting was adjourned at 7:26 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Teri L Crane, Village Clerk

Approved: February 2, 2009

Timothy J. Hoerchler, Village President