

COMMITTEE-AT-LARGE MINUTES: APRIL 20, 2009

The Committee-at-Large Meeting was held Monday, April 20, 2009, at the Village Hall. The meeting started at 7:00 p.m.

Present: Mayor Hoerchler, Trustees Brandmeyer, Malina, Linthicum and Gloeckner.
Absent: Trustees Fiedler and Swank. **Staff Members Present:** Clerk Crane; Administrator Nielsen; and Attorney Gruenke.

Carlos Huddleston of Gonzalez Co., LLC was in attendance to discuss their review of the Village Parks Walking Trail. He noted 3 issues: localized ponding, run-off & erosion, and saturation of path. He noted 4 areas of concern: Circle Drive run-off near the Lions Club Pavilion (redirect current path); ball field run-off causing saturation (raise that section of the path); area near the Hockey Rink (possible move to the other side of the road); and the culvert near the Tennis Courts. Two recommendations were presented: Option 1: maintain crushed limestone trail and address drainage issues, \$42,895; or, Option 2: replace crushed limestone trail with an asphalt trail, \$42,895, plus \$71,960. The Park Committee will meet to determine which direction to go. TIF funds can be used to pay for renovations.

IDOT Access Permit #8-29747

A motion was made by Trustee Gloeckner and seconded by Trustee Brandmeyer to approve IDOT Access Permit #8-29747 for work to be done at the intersection of State Route 161 and Clinton County Line Road.

Ayes: Brandmeyer, Malina, Linthicum, Gloeckner.

Nays: None.

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

TIF Assistance: Brad Jones, Quality Lawncare

Brad Jones of Quality Lawncare has resubmitted his application for TIF assistance at 600 East Hanover Street which includes only the renovations to the existing structure. Attorney Gruenke stated that everything included on his proposal is TIF eligible. The total rehab construction is \$40,501.00; building and lot price is \$79,500.00. Attorney Gruenke gave an overview of issue Mr. Jones was encountering with the property owner and the bank regarding his loan and what funds would be available to him and when. Mr. Jones stated he will not be able to continue with the project without any TIF assistance; he would like to do both the rehab and the new construction at the same time). Question regarding the amount of Sale Tax Revenue; hard to figure at this time. Jones stated he plans on selling the products that he uses in his business (grass seed, fertilizer, lawncare related products, etc.). Discussion centered on keeping the amount similar to what was recently approved for Jerry Kunz for 108 East Hanover St. It was agreed to provide \$20,000.00 towards the purchase of the land and \$20,000.00 towards the rehabilitation of the building (50% of the total rehab cost).

Legion Memorial Pool

Janet Stubblefield, Legion Memorial Pool Manager, was in attendance. She stated lifeguards from last year have been re-hired for the 2009 season. No re-certifications will be required this year (reduction in expenses). Profits from snack sales have gone down considerably in the last few years due to paying an outside company to service the machines. A used soda machine will be purchased. Janet researched purchase of a new temperature controlled vending machine, cost is extremely high. She feels that the pool employees can handle the sale of snacks. A structure will need to be built in the snack area. Janet stated she has priced snack items at Sam's Club; she will be able to order on-line and then pick up the product. Pool rates will remain the same as last year.

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Ambulance Bids

A motion was made by Trustee Linthicum and seconded by Trustee Brandmeyer to approve requesting bids for an ambulance for the Emergency Services. EMS Director Keith Grogan has compiled the specifications for the new ambulance.

Ayes: Gloeckner, Brandmeyer, Malina, Linthicum.

Nays: None.

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

Kassen Excavating:
Pay Request #2

A motion was made by Trustee Malina and seconded by Trustee Gloeckner to approve Pay Request #2 to Kassen Excavating for Contract "A" of the Sewer Rehabilitation in the amount of \$81,291.45.

Ayes: Malina, Linthicum, Gloeckner, Brandmeyer.

Nays: None.

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

Walden Assoc.
Technologies: Pay
Request #2

A motion was made by Trustee Brandmeyer and seconded by Trustee Malina to approve Pay Request #2 to Walden Associated Technologies, Inc. for Contract "B" of the Sewer Rehabilitation in the amount of \$50,990.26.

Ayes: Linthicum, Gloeckner, Brandmeyer, Malina.

Nays: None.

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

Street Improvements:
Asphalt

Discussion on asphaltting the intersection of State Route 161 and Clinton County Line Road and Railway Street. Consensus was to go with the project. Have the engineering agreements drawn up.

Street Improvements:
South 1st Street

Discussion on completing South 1st Street. Consensus is to get the projects done, especially if all the equipment will be in town. Discussion on making a clause in the bid packets for preference to be given to the company that agrees to hire New Baden Laborers. Administrator Nielsen will verify with Brian Buchheit of HMG Engineers to find out if something like that is plausible.

TIF Priorities

Administrator Nielsen has compiled a list of TIF priorities for the use of the funds for the rest of the life of the TIF. Discussion regarding list. Helping any businesses would be a priority. Other items high on the list is the Jillian Drive connector (bids due April 30, 2009) and the OSLAD Grant.

Legion Ball Diamond
Concession Stand

Bob Oster, Legion Baseball Coach, was in attendance to discuss the replacement of the existing structure. The new stand would be similar to the existing structure, just larger. Concession stand would be on a concrete foundation. The current stand will be moved; considered moving to the pool for the pool concessions. Only thing asked of the Village is having a water line run to the structure. Discussion on liability of building; per Attorney Gruenke, it would be under the Village's insurance umbrella. Attorney Gruenke also suggests an agreement be signed between the Village and the American Legion Ball team. Mr. Oster also stated that organizations such as the Chamber of Commerce and youth sport programs would be able to make use of the facility

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Concession Stand
(cont.)

A motion was made by Trustee Gloeckner and seconded by Trustee Brandmeyer to approve the construction of a new concession stand near the Legion Ball Diamond.

Ayes: Brandmeyer, Malina, Gloeckner,

Nays: Linthicum.

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

Library Lease

Discussion on Library Lease. Lease provided to the Library in November, 2008. Trustee Brandmeyer stated he attended the monthly Library meeting prior to this meeting. This would be an item for the new Board to look at; not sure if a lease is needed, possible just an agreement. There is a history of conflict that doesn't need to be there.

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

Ayes: Brandmeyer, Malina, Linthicum, Gloeckner

Nays: None

A majority of the Council voting aye, the motion carried and the meeting was adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Teri L Crane, Village Clerk

Approved: May 4, 2009

Timothy J. Hoerchler, Village President