

COMMITTEE-AT-LARGE MINUTES: SEPTEMBER 15, 2008

The Committee-at-Large meeting was held on September 15, 2008 in the Village Hall at 6:30 p.m. Those in attendance were President Hoerchler, Trustees Brandmeyer, Malina, Swank, Linthicum, Gloeckner, Fiedler, Village Clerk Crane, Village Administrator Nielsen, Doug Gruenke, Village Attorney, Dave Griesbaum, Chairman of Zoning Board of Appeals and Brian Buchheit of Henry, Meisenheimer, & Gende, Village Engineers.

Ordinance #765: Refuse Containers & Collection Bins

Ordinance #765: An Ordinance Concerning Garbage Refuse Containers and Not-for-Profit Collection Bins was presented for approval. Malina made the motion to pass Ordinance #765; Linthicum seconded; the motion passed by the following vote: AYES: Fiedler, Malina, Brandmeyer, Swank, Linthicum, Gloeckner; NAYS: none.

Ordinance #766: Improvements in TIF District

Ordinance #766: An Ordinance Regarding Improvements to Businesses within the Village Tax Increment Finance District was presented for approval. Brandmeyer made the motion to pass Ordinance #766; Gloeckner seconded; the motion passed by the following vote: AYES: Fiedler, Malina, Brandmeyer, Swank, Linthicum, Gloeckner; NAYS: none.

Wastewater Treatment Plant

Brian Buchheit of HMG was in attendance to remind the Board that the Waste Water Treatment Plant bid letting will take place on August 29, 2008 at 2:00 p.m. at the Village Hall. He also stated that the Village's loan project will appear on the IEPA's FY2009 Intended Use Plan in the amount of \$3,330,109.00.

Sewer Rehab

Brian Buchheit presented a "Preliminary Opinion of Probable Cost for Richter School Road Water Main Extension." This extension would cross under Interstate 64, run along Richter School Road and would join again with Route 161, bypassing the interchanges. This cost is approximately \$192,365.00. It was stated that money was budgeted for this extension. Should the line be installed before future development is known? Or should the Village hope that installation of the line will bring future development? These were just some of the questions discussed. Buchheit will put some additional numbers together.

Water Tap Fee Waiver Request

St. George Catholic Church as requested a fee waiver for the installation of a water tap at Resurrection Cemetery. Water Tap fees outside of the corporate limits of New Baden are currently \$1590.00 plus the cost of materials. Fiedler made the motion to charge St. George Church \$290.00 plus the cost of materials for the water tap; second by Brandmeyer; the motion passed by the following vote: AYES: Fiedler, Malina, Brandmeyer, Swank, Linthicum, Gloeckner; NAYS: none.

North Ridge Estates Street Light Plan

Ron Kalmer, developer of North Ridge Estates, submitted his revised plan for placement of street lights in this subdivision. Brandmeyer motioned to accept the streetlight plan; seconded by Gloeckner; the motion passed by the following vote: AYES: Fiedler, Malina, Brandmeyer, Swank, Linthicum, Gloeckner; NAYS: none.

Library Wall Stucco Removal Bids

This matter was tabled.

Third Storm Warning Sirens

American Signal Corp. who installed the current storm warning sirens submitted a proposal of \$28,253.00 for a third siren to be placed at South 4th Street near the Village Maintenance building. The Board agreed this is something they would like to see. Nothing further will happen until Clinton County Tax money is received.

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Marketing Plan:
Andrea Nafziger

Andrea Nafziger, an independent marketing consultant, attended as a follow-up to her visit on July 21, 2008. Her plan is to bring visitors to New Baden by stating the benefits of New Baden, the local restaurants and upcoming events. Her proposal is for using billboards and radio spots. She presented some designs for the billboards which would feature a phone number and/or website for inquiries; she also played a sample radio spot. Her cost estimate for the placement of 3 billboards was \$20,000.00; the estimate for radio spots for a 6 month time period was \$20,000.00 to \$25,000.00. The Board decided further review was needed before a decision would be made.

TIF Request: GMK
Automotive

Gary Kinney, of GMK Automotive at 2 West Hanover Street, submitted a request for TIF Assistance for the replacement of the garage doors on his building. Bids were provided from 3 different companies, ranging from \$4,725.00 to \$4,926.00. Based on the new guidelines established in Ordinance 766, Gloeckner made the motion to approve reimbursement of 50% of the lowest bid, \$4,725.00, total reimbursement not to exceed \$2,362.50; second by Linthicum; the motion passed by the following vote: AYES: Fiedler, Malina, Brandmeyer, Swank, Linthicum, Gloeckner; NAYS: none.

TIF Request: Darin
Zurliene

Darin Zurliene, owner of the building located at 115-119 East Hanover Street, is requesting TIF assistance in making his building ADA compliant. He submitted a cost estimate based on his calculations. The Board was in agreement that at least 3 bids need to be submitted for any assistance to be granted.

Park & Rec:
Personnel

Renee Meinhardt, Park & Recreation Coordinator, presented the list of personnel that will be used for the Fall programs (Soccer Referees, Baseball Umpires, Baseball Field preparation). Swank made the motion to approve the Park & Rec Fall Personnel; second by Gloeckner; the motion passed by the following vote: AYES: Fiedler, Malina, Swank, Linthicum, Gloeckner; NAYS: none; ABSTAINED: Brandmeyer.

Chamber of
Commerce Request

Scott Meinhardt, representing the New Baden Chamber of Commerce, attended to ask permission to modify the current electric poles at the Park. This is a necessary item for the Chili Cook-off held annually the Saturday before Halloween. He would like to increase each pole from 4 circuits to 6 circuits at no cost to the Village. He has contacted Gary Baehr, a local electrician, for this installation. The Board had no issues with this and agreed to the upgrade.

Chamber of
Commerce Request

Mr. Meinhardt asked for permission to post Chili Cook-off signs in the Park announcing the upcoming event. All were in agreement.

Chamber of
Commerce Request

Mr. Meinhardt stated that he had obtained some free fencing that he would like to install at the Park as an additional barrier in the tractor pull/truck pull area of the Park. This area is utilized during the June Jamboree. The fencing would run parallel to the current concrete barricades and would have openings for easy access. A concern was this would be an unnecessary barrier in the Park for an event that only occurs once a year. Meinhardt stated that it can be removed if at any time it would become bothersome. Again it would be installed at no cost to the Village. Gloeckner made a motion to allow the fence installation; second by Swank; AYES: Fiedler, Swank, Gloeckner; NAYS: Brandmeyer, Malina, Linthicum. The motion passed with a tie-breaking AYE vote from President Hoerchler.

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Marketing Plan for
New Baden

Trustee Brandmeyer addressed the marketing plan for New Baden in response to the presentation by Andrea Nafziger, an independent marketing consultant, at the July 21, 2008 meeting. It was decided that she would be contacted for a proposal of what can be obtained for around \$20,000.00.

Library Lease

Trustee Fiedler stated he will be getting information from Al Kues, the spokesperson for the Library Board, regarding the lease. One suggestion was to sell the Library building to the Library Board. Currently there is no lease in place between the Village and the Library Board. The matter was tabled.

Park

Trustee Linthicum, chairman of the Recreation Committee, stated there are a few issues that need to be looked into at the park: recycle bin near the tennis courts did not ask for permission to be there; tennis court is only partially fixed; walking trail needs repairs; and lights are still on at the one restroom.

Executive Session

Gloeckner motioned to go into closed session to discuss the purchase of real property; seconded by Fiedler, all aye, nay none. Meeting recessed at 7:45 p.m.

Meeting reconvened at 8:08 p.m.

Plum Lane Drainage
Issue

Discussion centered on the drainage issues in the 200 block of Plum Lane. Brian Buchheit of HMG met with Lee Monical, one of the residents affected by this issue, Trustee Gloeckner and Administrator Nielsen to explain the results of their research. The Trustees agreed to have another engineering firm look at the issue and obtain their opinion of what can be done.

Third Street

Administrator Nielsen stated that there is a small section of ground that was not asphalted when Third Street was done. This is in front of the Post Office employee parking. He asked the Board permission to obtain bids to have this filled in at the lowest cost. The Board agreed for this to be done.

There being no other business to be discussed, Malina made the motion to adjourn, seconded by Linthicum. Meeting adjourned at 8:18 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Teri L Crane
Village Clerk

Approved: October 6, 2008

Timothy J. Hoerchler
Village President