

COMMITTEE-AT-LARGE MINUTES: JUNE 20, 2011

The Committee-at-Large Meeting was held Monday, June 20, 2011, at the New Baden Village Hall, 1 East Hanover Street. The meeting started at 7:00 p.m.

Present: Mayor Brandmeyer, Trustees Linthicum, Oster, Picard, Nielsen, and Gunn.
Board Members Absent: Trustee Malina. **Staff Members Present:** Clerk Crane; Village Administrator Morani; Treasurer Pollmann; Police Officer Wagner; Public Works Commissioner Renth; Chief Building & Zoning Official Green; and Attorney Gruenke.

Plum Lane Drainage Improvements

Administrator Morani, Public Works Commissioner Renth and Mark Rujawitz of Rhutasel and Assoc. have been working on the preliminary work for this project. The five (5) property owners affected by this project have agreed to the scope of work. Easements will need to be obtained from the Wesclin School district and property owners. Each property owner has agreed to pay \$2,000 towards the cost of the project. It was decided to allow the property owners to pay this in installments, payable in full within one year of project commencement. Bidding on the project will be considered at the July 5, 2011, regular meeting.

Ambulance SSA – St. Clair County

Letters and Public Notices have been mailed to the property owners of the 164 parcels in St. Clair County within the proposed Ambulance Special Service Area (SSA). A Public Hearing is scheduled for 6:30 p.m. on Monday, July 18 (prior to the Committee-at-Large Meeting). This SSA will provide approximately \$10,000 in additional revenue.

FY 2011/12 Budget

Administrator Morani went over the proposed FY 2011/12 budget. In an attempt to raise additional revenue for the Civic Center and Park Funds, rental fee increases will be discussed at the Park Board meeting to be held on Tuesday, June 21.

Comfort Corner Building (1210 East Hanover St.)

Discussion on options available for foreclosing on the property located at 1210 East Hanover Street. Attorney Gruenke advised that the Village could foreclose on the liens currently held against the property or use the abandonment procedure. Additional information will be provided at the next meeting.

Civic Center Cafeteria

Discussion on budgeting for replacing the windows at the Civic Center; also the option of bricking up some of them to help with heating/cooling costs.

Gazebo

Plans for the Gazebo will be approved at the July 5 meeting.

FY2011/12 Salary Adjustments

Administrator Morani presented his recommendation in regards to the FY2011/12 Salary adjustments for non-union employees. He recommends a 2.7% increase which reflects the increase in the Consumer Price Index (CPI) from April, 2010 through March, 2011. Discussion amongst Trustees would like to see a 3% increase for these employees. Administrator Morani will have these figures for the July 5 meeting. Salary adjustments for the two exempt department heads, Chief Riley and Public Works Commissioner Renth, will be addressed separately based on the results of a performance evaluation. Administrator Morani's salary will not be affected by these changes due to his salary being established in his employment agreement.

Committee Appointments

Mayor Brandmeyer stated that he would like to have committee appointments last for two (2) years. He would also like to appoint Trustee Gunn to the vacancies left by Trustee Mastromatteo. If Mayor Brandmeyer is unable to attend the July 5 meeting, he will provide a written recommendation for consideration.

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Executive Session

A motion was made by Trustee Gunn and seconded by Trustee Oster to adjourn the meeting to Closed Session to discuss Litigation.

Ayes: Linthicum, Oster, Picard, Nielsen, Gunn.

Nays: None.

Absent: Malina.

A majority of the Board voting aye, the motion carried and the meeting was adjourned to Closed Session at 8:15 p.m.

Meeting reconvened at 8:32 p.m.

Present: Mayor Brandmeyer, Trustees Linthicum, Oster, Picard, Nielsen, and Gunn.

Board Members Absent: Trustee Malina. **Staff Members Present:** Clerk Crane; Village Administrator Morani; Treasurer Pollmann; and Attorney Gruenke.

Legion Ball Diamond
Concession Stand
Dedication

Trustee Oster announced that the dedication of the Legion Ball Diamond Concession stand will take place on June 29, 2011.

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

Ayes: Linthicum, Oster, Picard, Nielsen, Gunn.

Nays: None.

Absent: Malina.

A majority of the Board voting aye, the motion carried and the meeting was adjourned at 9:35 p.m.

Teri Crane, Village Clerk

Approved: July 5, 2011