

COMMITTEE-AT-LARGE MINUTES: JULY 18, 2011

The Committee-at-Large Meeting was held Monday, July 18, 2011, at the New Baden Village Hall, 1 East Hanover Street. The meeting started at 7:00 p.m.

Prior to the meeting a Public Hearing was held regarding the St. Clair County Ambulance Special Service Area (SSA).

Present: Mayor Brandmeyer, Trustees Malina, Linthicum, Nielsen, and Gunn. **Board Members Absent:** Trustee Oster and Picard. **Staff Members Present:** Clerk Crane; Village Administrator Morani; Police Chief Riley; Public Works Commissioner Renth; Chief Building & Zoning Official Green; Brian Buchheit of HMG Engineers; and Attorney Gruenke.

Groundwater Storage Booster Pump Rehab

Brian Buchheit of HMG was present to review the opinion of probable cost that was prepared for the improvements to the ground storage tank in the amount of \$100,550.00. Original pumps date back to the early 1960's; this will replace existing pumps at booster station and replace valve and hydrant outside of tank. This item was budgeted and was included in the 3-year capital improvement plan presented several months back. It was clarified that "resident observation" refers to the man on-site with the contractor and "construction guidance" is the work done in-house by the engineering firm. This project will be considered at the next regular meeting.

Route 160 Booster Pump Elimination

Brian Buchheit presented the opinion of probable cost that was prepared for the Route 160 booster pump elimination (located at East Cedar Street and Aviston Lumber) in the amount of \$41,100.00. This will remove existing pumps at this location; connect 8" water main along East Cedar Street to 6" water main along Illinois Route 160; and abandon booster station structure. This project will be considered at the next regular meeting.

Drainage Improvements

Administrator Morani has met with Doug Ratermann of HMG to go over some drainage issues through out the community; a list was compiled after the recent heavy rains. Some areas just require minor grading; others will be more intensive requiring engineering work. New Baden Residents Pauline Fuller and Teresa Manley were present to discuss the issues experienced on Poos Drive, especially after the recent heavy rainfall. Public Works Commissioner Renth stated that the Baden Heights Subdivision (which includes Poos Drive) uses surface drains, nothing is underground. HMG will finalize their review of the project and options will be presented at the August committee-at-large meeting.

Plum Lane Drainage Project

This project is moving forward and will be awarded at the August 1 meeting.

WWTF Update

Brian Buchheit reported that water is now being treated and discharged at the plant. Monthly reports will now be done reflecting the new plant. There is grading work yet to be done. A time extension change order will be presented at the August 1 meeting. Some additional equipment will need to be purchased that was not able to be purchased under the ARRA agreement; this purchase was budgeted. Trustee Gunn inquired on emergency services training to be done at the site.

St. Clair County Ambulance SSA

The ordinance approving the Ambulance SSA will be considered at the August 1 meeting. The SSA will go into effect 60 after the public hearing date (which was held prior to this meeting).

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Subdivision Code Administrator Morani discussed changes that need to be made to the subdivision code. It will start with a committee level meeting discussing such things as concrete vs. asphalt streets, as well as development to the north and requiring the dedication of park space as part of the Comprehensive Plan.

Village Property: East Illinois Street Discussion on the Village property located in the 400 block of East Illinois Street. It was suggested that the Community and Economic Development Committee should look at uses for the property. Mayor Brandmeyer commented on the Village owning property and not utilizing it; it needs to be developed.

Pool ADA Lift An ADA compliant chair lift will need to be installed at the pool in order to get reimbursement from the Illinois Dept. of Natural Resources for the OSLAD Grant. Westport Pools is working on this. A change order will be presented at the August 1 meeting.

Pool Trustee Malina pointed out the need for lifeguards to use umbrellas at the guard chairs with the excessive heat, which will protect their skin. Administrator Morani stated that he would contact the pool manager regarding this matter.

Use of Route 160/161 Intersection Discussion on the use of the intersection located at State Route 160 and 161. A new organization, Chakota Therapeutic Riding Center, would like to hold a collection. Currently, there are about five (5) local organizations that have collections at this intersection. Village Hall staff was looking for direction on how to handle this and future inquiries. Attorney Gruenke recommended developing a license. This will be directed to Trustee Gunn and the Community Coordination Committee. The consensus was to allow Chakota to schedule a collection date sometime in October.

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: Malina, Linthicum, Nielsen, Gunn.

Nays: None.

Absent: Oster, Picard.

A majority of the Board voting aye, the motion carried and the meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Teri Crane, Village Clerk
Approved: August 1, 2011