

REGULAR MEETING OF THE VILLAGE BOARD MINUTES, JANUARY 7, 2013

The Regular Meeting of the Village Board was held Monday, January 7, 2013, at the New Baden Village Hall, 1 East Hanover Street. President Brandmeyer called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Prior to the meeting, a Public Hearing was held for the Amended Business District III Plan. This plan removes the American Legion property from Business District III.

**Present and answering to roll call:** Mayor Brandmeyer, Trustees Malina, Linthicum, Oster, Picard, Nielsen and Gunn. **Absent:** None. **Staff Members Present:** Village Clerk Crane; Village Administrator Morani; Attorneys Gruenke and Palen of Bruckert, Gruenke & Long, P.C.; Chief Building & Zoning Official Green; Police Chief Riley; Treasurer Pollmann; and Brian Buchheit of HMG Engineers.

A motion was made by Trustee Linthicum and seconded by Trustee Gunn to approve the Consent Agenda, which includes the Minutes from the December 10, 2012, Regular Meeting, the Committee-at-Large Meeting for December 17 was cancelled, and authorization of payment of current invoices.

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

**Nays:** None.

**Absent:** None.

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

Ordinance 2013-01-07-A: Eminent Domain to Obtain Water Easements

Trustee Malina inquired to Brian Buchheit of HMG the possibility of running the water line through farm property to the north of New Baden instead of along the Clinton County Line Road. Mr. Buchheit stated that they did look into that scenario, but because of the installation of hydrants and valves, access would be difficult. Attorney Gruenke stated that only five (5) properties (three property owners) will be included in the proceedings and that the case will be expedited, which is required by statute.

A motion was made by Trustee Nielsen and seconded by Trustee Picard to approve Ordinance 2013-01-07-A: Authorizing the use of Eminent Domain to Obtain Water Easements for Water Line Extension to Wesclin High School.

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

**Nays:** None.

**Absent:** None.

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

Utility Easement for Wesclin Water/Sewer Extension Project: Patrick & Jenny Bassler

A motion was made by Trustee Gunn and seconded by Trustee Picard to approve a Permanent Utility Easement with Patrick H. Bassler Living Trust / Jenny L. Bassler Living Trust / Jenny L. Bassler. Proposed compensation for the easement is \$1.50 per lineal foot.

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

**Nays:** None.

**Absent:** None.

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

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Civic Center  
Improvements

Trustee Oster is waiting on additional information from AAIC, Inc., the architectural firm that is drawing up the proposed renovations to the Civic Center, which includes the replacement of all the Civic Center windows (front and locker rooms). Once plans are finalized, the Village will go out for bids. This project was approved at the December 10, 2012 regular meeting.

Lions Club Pavilion  
Renovations

AAIC, Inc. has recommended leaving the existing building and only doing renovations. There is approximately \$30,000 difference in pricing based on the use/non-use of a general contractor. Trustee Oster stated he, with the assistance of Chief Building and Zoning Official Green, could serve as general contractors. Administrator Morani stated that the scope of work provided has some changes to be made, he would prefer that to be finalized before moving forward. It was discussed recessing this meeting until January 22, prior to the Committee-at-Large meeting which allows time for Mr. Green, Trustee Oster and Chad Morris of AAIC to discuss the project.

Walking Trail

Trustee Oster stated he had met with Don Anderson Co. and that the limestone trail would be an easy surface to oil and chip, and a much more reasonable cost than asphalt or concrete. KRB Excavating is aware that there are a few repairs that need to be done. It was suggested that Park & Recreation Coordinator Renee Meinhardt check on other oil and chipped walking trails.

South 1<sup>st</sup> Street  
Extension Project

The South First Street Extension project was included in the Capital Improvements Debt Certificate that was approved on October 1, 2012. Since the water main replacement project is underway, HMG Engineers recommend the roadway project be completed at the conclusion of this work, which means a spring start date could be targeted. This project was previously voted down at the November 5, 2012 regular meeting.

A motion was made by Trustee Picard and seconded by Trustee Nielsen to reconsider and approve Task Order #7 for South 1<sup>st</sup> Street Extension with HMG Engineers, Inc., not to exceed \$30,000. This agreement is to extend First Street from Illinois Street to Hanover Street, with a 40 ft. wide from face of curb to face of curb, with 6 ft. wide sidewalks on both sides.

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

**Nays:** Malina, Oster.

**Absent:** None.

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

Tennis Courts

Discussion regarding Tennis Courts. Trustee Nielsen state that addressing the courts are part of the Parks Master Plan. Per the Park surveys that were completed, very few people use the tennis courts. Suggestions discussed included eliminating two (2) of the courts and installing an additional batting cage and a driving range for golfers. This item will go back to the Park Board for further discussion.

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Funds Transfer:  
General Fund to Civic  
Center

A motion was made by Trustee Malina and seconded by Trustee Linthicum to authorize a permanent transfer of funds from the General Fund to the Civic Center Fund, \$7,500. This transfer is necessary to bring the fund into the black before the close of the fiscal year (April 30). Once the Village starts collected revenue from the telecommunications tax, future transfers from the General Fund will no longer be required for operational purposes, unless there are special circumstances.

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

**Nays:** None.

**Absent:** None.

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

Part-time Police  
Officer: Jason Penick

A motion was made by Trustee Malina and seconded by Trustee Oster to approve the hiring of part-time police officer Jason Penick.

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

**Nays:** None.

**Absent:** None.

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

Recess Meeting

A motion was made by Trustee Gunn and seconded by Trustee Nielsen to recess this meeting until Tuesday, January 22, 2013, at 6:30 p.m. at Village Hall.

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

**Nays:** None.

**Absent:** None.

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

Meeting recessed at 8:05 p.m. on Monday, January 7, 2013.

Meeting reconvened at 6:35 p.m. on Tuesday, January 22, 2013, at Village Hall.

A motion was made by Trustee Malina and seconded by Trustee Linthicum to recess this meeting until approximately 7:30 p.m. or after the Committee-at-Large meeting adjourns, due to Trustee Oster not being in attendance.

**Ayes:** Malina, Linthicum, Gunn, Mayor Brandmeyer.

**Nays:** None.

**Absent:** Oster, Picard, Nielsen.

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

Meeting reconvened at 7:56 p.m. on Tuesday, January 22, 2013, at Village Hall.

**Present and answering to roll call:** Mayor Brandmeyer, Trustees Malina, Linthicum, Oster, Picard, Nielsen, and Gunn. **Absent:** None. **Staff Members Present:** Village Clerk Crane; Administrator Morani; Attorneys Gruenke and Palen of Bruckert, Gruenke & Long, P.C.; Chief Building & Zoning Official Green; and Treasurer Pollmann.

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Walking Trail

Trustee Oster reported that he, Administrator Morani and Public Works Commissioner Renth inspected the oil and chipped walking trail in East Carondelet. Don Anderson Co. Inc. quoted a price to Trustee Oster of approximately \$32,000 to oil and chip the existing walking trail at the Park. Mr. Oster also solicited a quote from Christ Bros. for an asphalt walking trail; asphalt would cost approximately \$56,000. Due to some confusion on the proposal from Christ Bros., Trustee Oster will contact them for clarification.

A motion was made by Trustee Malina and seconded by Trustee Linthicum to waive the bidding requirement and to authorize the expenditure of up to \$60,000 to have Christ Bros. install an asphalt walking trail over the existing limestone walking trail

**Ayes:** Malina, Linthicum, Oster, Picard, Gunn.

**Nays:** Nielsen.

**Absent:** None.

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

Lions Club Pavilion  
Renovations

Trustee Oster presented an updated cost estimate from AAIC, Inc. for renovations to the Lions Club Pavilion at the Park; their schematic estimation is approximately \$88,000. After much discussion, it was decided to table this project. Design plans need to be drawn up to get a more accurate idea of the cost.

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

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

**Nays:** None.

**Absent:** None.

A majority of the Board voting aye, the motion carried and the meeting was adjourned at 8:23 p.m. on Tuesday, January 22, 2013.

Teri L Crane, Village Clerk  
Approved: February 4, 2013