

VILLAGE OF BIG ROCK

Regular Board Meeting/Committee of the Whole



Tuesday March 22nd, 2016

7:00 pm

Park District Building

7S 405 Madison

Big Rock, Illinois

CALL TO ORDER

DEAN HUMMELL CALLED THE MARCH 22ND, 2016 THE REGULAR/COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE (320TH) MEETING TO ORDER AT 7:01 PM

ROLL CALL

Clay Hanninen H, Ted McCannon H, Joe Walsh H, Kathy Metzger H, Will Shimkus H, Mark Lynch H
Dean Hummell H

Also Present: Pat Anderson H, John Zemenak H, Tim May H

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

MOMENT OF SILENCE

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

APPROVAL OF THE MARCH 8TH, 2016 MINUTES

MOTION: KATHY METZGER, SECOND: JOE WALSH, VOTE: 6 – 0

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

-Don a resident from Bergman Estates wanted to ask the board some questions about a plugged drain tile he has that his sump pump discharges to. Ted will stop to look at it but it sounds to be something he will have to fix himself.

ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA

None

CONSENT AGENDA

APPROVAL OF BILLS FOR MARCH 22ND, 2016

APPROVAL OF THE FEBRUARY BANK P & L'S / RECONCILIATIONS

MOTION: KATHY METZGER, SECOND: CLAY HANNINEN

CLAY HANNINEN-Y TED McCANNON-Y JOE WALSH-Y KATHY METZGER-Y WILL SHIMKUS-Y MARK LYNCH-Y

RECESS TO THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

MOTION: TED McCANNON, SECOND: WILL SHIMKUS, VOTE: 6 – 0, TIME: 7:10 PM

PRESIDENT HUMMELL

-None

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE CONSIDERATIONS

DRAINAGE COMMITTEE REPORT

Wastewater Final Completion/Warranty Issues

-Dean nor John have heard anything from Orenco after repeated attempts over the last few weeks. Orenco is supposed to be working on a report for the village as well as scheduling a time frame to come out and fix the remaining repairs that are needed. Dean asked if Kathy would assist in contacting Orenco and working with them.

STREET MAINTENANCE REPORT

Rempe-Sharpe Invoice, Asphalt Complaints

-The board unanimously agreed that they would like to see the final bill that Rempe-Sharpe submit to the village negotiated down a bit. There were several mistakes and allot of miscommunication of which Rempe-Sharpe was a contributor in. Dean will work with Jim Bibby on the final bill.

-Several residents have complained about the deteriorating roads throughout the village. The board is working on creating a committee for street repair and is looking for any volunteers. It will have to work to prioritize specific areas and budget/plan for the years ahead. Granart road and the bridge will definitely need attention this summer. The village will put up another "rough" road sign on Granart Rd informing motorists of its condition.

-Ted McCannon is working with the vendor to get the survey completed for the proposed sidewalk between 5th & 6th St.

DEPT. OF BUILDING/SAFETY/ZONING REPORT

-A letter will be prepared to a resident on Hinckley Rd. whom appears to be putting up a structure without village approval or permit.

-John went to court for a couple resident violations were compliance has been an issue. Everything was settled except for one particular case in which the resident did not show. The court will be fining the property owner and then notifying them of their missed court date. More details will follow on this case along with any continued violations this property may have.

-John emailed Tim/Dean a few different companies that provide zoning & property maintenance services. The village is eager to fill the recently vacated position. It will be reaching out to the companies and exploring whom might be the best fit for the Village Of Big Rock. More details to follow on this.

FINANCIAL REPORT

-The village has been looking at possibly replacing the accounting firm it has used for the past few years. Costs seem to have continued to rise however the amount of projects and grants the village has dealt with has decreased. Dean will discuss with Sikich if they can do any better on the pricing before it commits to any company for the upcoming village audit(s) and the corresponding preparation. John is also going to check another firm or two that he knows of servicing other local municipalities.

COMMUNITY REPORT

-For those that attended it seems that the annual Easter egg hunt was a success again this year. The kids really enjoyed this!

BOARD ADMINISTRATION

PERSONNEL

COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS

-Mark wanted to remind the village that it could use some attention on the couple alleys in town. Especially the ally next to the post office. This needs some grading and gravel added to fix the large potholes. Tim will get a quote from Schmitt on this project and report back to the board.

VILLAGE EMPLOYEES

RECONVENE THE REGULAR VILLAGE BOARD MEETING

MOTION: TED McCANNON, SECOND: WILL SHIMKUS VOTE: 6 – 0, TIME: 7:54 PM

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Adjournment

MOTION: CLAY HANNINEN, SECOND: KATHY METZGER