

VILLAGE OF BIG ROCK

Regular Board Meeting/Committee of the Whole



Tuesday April 26th, 2016

7:00 pm

Park District Building

7S 405 Madison

Big Rock, Illinois

CALL TO ORDER

DEAN HUMMELL CALLED THE APRIL 26TH, 2016 THE REGULAR/COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE (321ST) MEETING TO ORDER AT 7:02 PM

ROLL CALL

Clay Hanninen H, Ted McCannon H, Joe Walsh H, Kathy Metzger H, Will Shimkus A, 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 22ND, 2016 MINUTES

MOTION: JOE WALSH, SECOND: KATHY METZGER, VOTE: 5 – 0

PUBLIC HEARING – BUDGET

Village Board to conduct a public hearing on the Fiscal Year 2016-17 Budget for the Village of Big Rock

-OPENED @ 7:05 PM

-CLOSED @ 7:05 PM

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

-Rebecca Gengler (More Polish Pottery) wanted to bounce some ideas off the board with regards to a new building they would like to construct on their property. She will be attending the PZC meeting in May also for the commissioners recommendation on the project.

-Dave C. has concerns about his neighbor whom recently moved in and is storing excess amounts of “junk” vehicles. He would like to see the village and/or its property maintenance enforcement officer follow up on this.

The property is clearly in violation of Big Rock's property maintenance code(s). The village reassured Dave that they hear the complaints and are working to get things rectified.

-T.P.I. Building Code Consultants attended the meeting to introduce themselves and give a brief explanation of the services they offer to communities for zoning, property maintenance, and inspections. The village board has reached out to three different companies and T.P.I. seemed to be the most interested and best fit for our community. The board decided to have John Z. draft a legal agreement/contract with T.P.I. for these services.

ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA

None

CONSENT AGENDA

APPROVAL OF BILLS FOR APRIL 12TH & 26TH, 2016

APPROVAL OF THE MARCH 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-**A** MARK LYNCH-**Y**

RECESS TO THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

MOTION: JOE WALSH, SECOND: KATHY METZGER, VOTE: 5 – 0, TIME: 7:44 PM

PRESIDENT HUMMELL

-None

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE CONSIDERATIONS

DRAINAGE COMMITTEE REPORT

Wastewater Final Completion/Warranty Issues

-Orenco is in town working on repairing the leaking risers as well as document any additional workmanship issues. They have made some significant progress despite a few glitches. The village is still working closely with the manufacturer to get the sewer tank issues resolved and also prepare its legal case against H. Linden & Sons for the poor workmanship/installation.

STREET MAINTENANCE REPORT

Rempe-Sharpe Invoice, RailRoad Crossing Cleanup, Wheaton Landscape Contract

-Dean has received some calls from Rempe-Sharpe and the invoice due. He will reach out to discuss with Jim soon.

-The board discussed starting the repair to the road/intersection to at the post office now that the asphalt plants are open. We also need to get some things cleaned up at the crossing (adding dirt/gravel were needed, seeding, etc). Possibly even fix 4 of the concrete squares (due to trip hazards) that are part of the pedestrian crosswalk.

-The landscape contract for the area around the railroad crossing has been kept at the same price as last year. The board was in favor of continuing to utilize Wheaton Landscape for this service at the crossing.

-Dean brought to the boards attention a 50/50 cost share that a resident proposed to the village for some gravel and grading on Whelden Rd. in Big Rock. The board was in favor of this however due to the fact that this is primary a private driveway the board would like to see this vacated at some point.

-Dave Shrader contact the village again about getting the slice of land between his two properties at the corner of Rhodes Rd. & Rte 30 vacated. Dean is going to contact Dave and let him know what needs to be prepared so the village can vote on this formally although there were no objections by trustees. Plat of Survey (to include legal description), Plat Of Vacation of Alleyway, etc... needs to be prepared by his attorney in advance.

-7s155 Mary Dr. being a nuisance was discussed. The property is owned by VIP Holding Company and has been abandoned for years now. Looters are spending time at the property, all exterior doors & windows have been broken out, and the roof has holes in it. It's also been reported to have several feet of water in the basement. The village would like to see its new property maintenance enforcement officer(s) (T.P.I.) tackle this right away before someone gets hurt.

DEPT. OF BUILDING/SAFETY/ZONING REPORT Code Compliance Companies

-This was discussed under public participation.

FINANCIAL REPORT FY 2016-17 BUDGET

-The budget was prepared and handed out to everyone this evening. A brief explanation was given and there were no questions as a result.

COMMUNITY REPORT

BOARD ADMINISTRATION

PERSONNEL

COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS

-Joe wanted to mention the potholes on Granart Rd are being an issue again. We will need to get Kolt back out to fill soon.

-Mark asked about the proposals that were received to repair the 3 alleyways in town. Schmitty's came back with a competitive price so the board agreed to move forward with this. The Halstead property still needs attention. There are concerns of animals getting into the home and we still need the villages right of way repaired. Dean will stop by the home and speak with the owners as discussed a couple months ago.

-Dean handed out the two proposals from Schmitty's. One for the sidewalk between 5th & 6th street and then the second for the alleyway repairs. Seems the board is in favor of proceeding forward with both projects although engineering still needs to be done for the sidewalk project.

VILLAGE EMPLOYEES

RECONVENE THE REGULAR VILLAGE BOARD MEETING

MOTION: TED McCANNON, SECOND: CLAY HANNINEN VOTE: 5 – 0, TIME: 8:27 PM

MOTION TO APPROVE ORDINANCE NO. 2016-4, AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THE FISCAL YEAR 2016-17 PRELIMINARY BUDGET FOR THE VILLAGE OF BIG ROCK

MOTION: KATHY METZGER, SECOND: CLAY HANNINEN

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

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Adjournment

MOTION: TED McCANNON, SECOND: KATHY METZGER