

VILLAGE BOARD MINUTES
MONDAY, OCTOBER 23, 2017
7:00 PM
BOARD ROOM, MUNICIPAL BUILDING, 210 COTTONWOOD AVENUE

Roll Call

Pledge of Allegiance – Wallschlager

Present: Trustees Meyers, Compton, Landwehr, Swenson, Wallschlager, President Pfannerstill

Excused: Trustee Stevens

Others: DPW Director Einweck, Police Chief Bagin, Fire Chief Dean, Clerk Igl, Tim Hallquist, David deCourcy-Bower, David Pride, Library Director Massnick, Carol Zahorik

Public Comments: (Please be advised the Village Board will receive information from the public for a three minute time period per person, with time extensions per the Village President's discretion. Be it further advised that there may be limited discussion on the information received, however, no action will be taken under public comments.)

1. Motion (Meyers/Wallschlager) to approve Village Board minutes of October 9, 2017. Carried (5-0) Compton abstained.
2. Motion (Landwehr/Swenson) to approve vouchers for payment in the amount of \$103,686.65. Carried (5-0). Meyers abstained.
3. Consideration of actions related to Licenses and Permits
 - a. Motion (Landwehr/Swenson) to approve applications for Operator's (Bartender) Licenses with a term ending June 30, 2018. Carried (7-0).
4. **PUBLIC HEARING** on the proposed 2018 Village Budget including the General Fund, Water and Sewer Utility Funds, Debt Service, and all other Revenue and Expenditure Funds with consideration of adoption of the budget at the November 13, 2017 Village Board meeting.

Finance Director Bailey provided a background summary on the proposed 2018 Village Budget. He stated that the mill rate increase will be no more than \$.30 per 1,000 of assessed value. There is no water increase included in the budget and no increase in garbage fees. A 5% sewer rate increase is included. Staff is continuing to work on the proposal to add paramedics with additional information being presented to the Village Board on November 13.

President Pfannerstill opened the Public Hearing at 7:06 p.m. No comments were heard. The Public Hearing was closed at 7:07 p.m.

5. Consideration of a motion to accept the Environmental Corridor and Open Space Task Force Report.

David deCourcy-Bower recognized members of the Task Force and stated that the report is the summary of work done over the course of a year. Three categories were identified; village owned, privately owned, and land owned by other government organizations. He stated that the focus of the task force was on the seven village owned properties and two conservation areas. He stated that three questions were considered for these properties which were the current conditions, opportunity uses and proposed actions.

Mr. deCourcy-Bower stated that the Task Force focused on Penbrook Park and concluded that there are significant opportunities for improvements available including adding more formal paths. The three main recommendations of the Task Force were to develop a permanent environmentally-focused committee, review and improve the Village Code as it relates to protecting environmental areas and implement the changes and improvements to existing environmental areas.

Three main budget related items requested were outreach to get engagement, signage in these areas and discussion on use of herbicides as the view of the task force is that it be handled by professionals,

Motion (Swenson/Landwehr) to accept the Environmental Corridor and Open Space Task Force Report. Carried (6-0). It was stated that consideration of making the Task Force permanent will be on the November 27 Village Board agenda.

6. Consideration of a motion to award one or more contracts for the planting of street trees.

DPW Director Einweck stated that three proposals for the planting of trees were received. The lowest proposal was submitted by Grounds Keepers in the amount of \$48,519.92. This proposal is for the annual street tree planting program which includes street tree planting as well as subdivision related trees.

Motion (Landwehr/Compton) to award the contract for the planting of street trees to Grounds Keepers in the amount of \$48,519.92. Carried (6-0).

7. Announcements: The following individuals will be given an opportunity to make announcements at the meeting in regards to (1) activities taken since the previous meeting on behalf of the community, (2) future municipal activities, and (3) communications received from citizens. It is not contemplated that these matters will be discussed or acted upon. The following individuals may provide announcements: Village President or individual Village Board members or Village Administrator or other Village Staff members.

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Chief Dean reported that the pizza fundraiser was a success. Funds raised will be used to purchase another LUCAS device for the second ambulance. A demonstration of the LUCAS was provided and Chief Dean thanked Pat Endter, fire department personnel and the public for their support.

Chief Bagin stated that the holiday train will be in Hartland on December 3 at approximately 5:45 p.m. He stated that Cottonwood Ave. will be closed for approximately two hours prior to the train arriving.

Residents were reminded of Trick or Treat hours and that the fall leaf collection is in progress.

8. Motion (Compton/Wallschlager) to adjourn at 7:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Darlene Igl
Village Clerk