

MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING OF JULY 13, 2011

Call to Order

President Vanden Berg called the Committee of the Whole meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Roll Call

PRESENT: President Vanden Berg, Trustee Berken, Trustee Frassetto, Trustee Hietpas, Trustee Mahlik, Trustee Peerenboom, Trustee Smith

ALSO PRESENT: C. Kell, D. Haug, R. Van Gheem, J. Moes T. Flick, V. Schneider
Joe Galarowicz, CPA with Kerber, Rose & Associates, Mary Janssen, Park Planning Committee Member, Greg Manteuffel, owner of Down the Hill Bar, Interested Citizens and Media Reps

Public Appearance for Items not on the Agenda

Mary Janssen, Park Avenue, commented that she was glad there was a notice placed in the Village's summer newsletter reminding residents that dogs are not allowed in parks. Mrs. Janssen further commented on the number of people she notices

bringing their dogs into the parks and she asked that the ordinance not allowing dogs in the parks be enforced especially during the summer at Doyle Park.

Jaycees Request for Community Park Improvement Project

Craig Spierings, President/Treasurer of the Little Chute Jaycees, stated the Jaycees are interested in doing a community project and they would like to develop and fund an archery range in the Village. T. Flick stated that he has met with the Jaycees and a few options for locations were briefly discussed and Island Park was eliminated and in concept, Doyle Park appears to be the leading location. T. Flick stated typically a range is built around a natural berm backdrop to stop arrows, with fencing on the sides to stop people and animals from going into the range area, and the front part normally has stations with different distances, and usually it includes lighting. T. Flick stated that the Parks and Recreation Department has no objections to looking at a favorable design and location for a range.

Presentation/Review by Kerber, Rose & Associates of the 2010 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR)

D. Haug introduced Joe Galarowicz of Kerber, Rose & Associates. Mr. Galarowicz and D. Haug presented and commented on the 2010 CAFR and the auditors' report of the Village's financial statements. The Village has received a "clean opinion" which is considered a positive audit. It was noted that the Village ended the year with a fund balance of 25.5% and because the Village did not incur new debt in 2010 the debt ratio declined to 36%. Mr. Galarowicz stated that the Village is currently in a financially strong position. The CAFR is available on the Village's website for the public to review. A question and answer session took place following the presentation.

Action on Resolution: CSM for Evergreen LC Development, LLC

J. Moes stated that the Plan Commission has reviewed the CSM and they are recommending that the Board approves the CSM.

Moved by Trustee Peerenboom, seconded by Trustee Hietpas to Adopt Resolution No. 26, Series of 2011 Approving the CSM for Evergreen LC Development, LLC as presented.

Ayes 7, Nays 0 – Motion Carried Unanimously

Action – Request by Down the Hill Bar for Outdoor Alcohol Permit for August 13, 2011

The Police Department does not have any concerns with approving the permit for Down the Hill bar for a Customer Appreciation Party on August 13 as stated in the letter submitted to the Board by Officer Steeber

Moved by Trustee Frassetto, seconded by Trustee Berken to Approve the Outdoor Alcohol Permit for Down the Hill Bar for August 13, 2011.

Further Discussion: Trustee Peerenboom asked Greg Manteuffel, owner of Down the Hill Bar, if the outside event would end by 9:00 or 10:00 p.m. and Mr. Manteuffel stated the outside event would end between 9:00 and 10:00 p.m.

Vote on the Motion:

Ayes 7, Nays 0 – Motion Carried Unanimously

Action – Replat of Hickory Estates Lots 4, 5, 6, 7 & 8 (Extraterritorial Jurisdiction)

J. Moes stated the Plan Commission did review the replat and they are recommending that the Village Board approves the plat. J. Moes further stated that the original plat was previously approved by the Board and this replat is being brought forward for the Boards approval as there are minor adjustments being made to a few of the lot lines.

Moved by Trustee Peerenboom, seconded by Trustee Mahlik to Approve the Replat of Hickory Estates Lots 4, 5, 6, 7 & 8 as presented.

Ayes 7, Nays 0 – Motion Carried Unanimously

Review/Discussion on Pool Study

T. Flick reviewed the history, status, and budget information of the current pool, the near future needs of the pool and he gave a brief summary of the pool study, and discussed the long term issues with the pool. T. Flick stated this is the first of many discussions that will need to be held regarding decisions that need to be made and his goal with this discussion is to determine if the pool will be at the existing site for another 8 to 10 years with very minimal expenses and repair costs or long term (20 years) and spending a significant amount of dollars. T. Flick stated he is looking for the Board's direction on budgeting and prioritizing for the current pool for the next 8 to 10 years as he doesn't want to spend a lot of money if the pool isn't going to be there in 20 years. T. Flick pointed out that in the next two years, the slide will need to be replaced and an ADA chair lift is required to be installed before the pool opens next year and that cost will be around \$8,000. T. Flick stated that high dive boards, life guard platforms and hiring an engineer to look at the slide are all costs that need to be budgeted for next year. T. Flick stated that to just repair the existing slide the cost is estimated at \$175,000 and it costs \$250,000 to replace the slide and he and the Park Planning Committee don't believe it would be money well spent to repair the existing structure and he also noted that the State may not even allow a replacement slide to be located in the same position because of new regulations. T. Flick stated the estimated costs for the required updating of the current pool for the next 6 to 8 years is \$720,000, the cost to completely renovate at the existing site is estimated at \$2.9 million, and the cost to build the same type of pool at a different location is \$3 million. T. Flick informed the Board of the issues that the current pool experiences when the canal is filled and he noted that if the existing pool is renovated, the pool will lose the diving well because the pool would need to be constructed at a different depth so they don't have to deal with the canal and the hydrostatic pressure in the ground and he commented on other staff training options and current amenities that would be lost. T. Flick stated that the Park Planning Committee's recommendation is to band aid the current pool for the next 8 to 10 years and begin planning for a new pool at another site. Discussion took place. Board members asked

T. Flick to monitor the number of vehicles that are parked down at the pool this summer, to consider getting costs to relocate the pool in a different area at Doyle Park, and to have the Park Planning Committee research and make a recommendation for a site for a new pool. The issues with the pool will continue to be discussed at future meetings.

Unfinished Business

None

Items for Future Agenda

Administrator Kell asked Board members to review the memo he had provided to them regarding the Boards involvement in the hiring process for a Finance Director. C. Kell also noted that he has only received a couple of applications for the position and the deadline to apply is this Friday. C. Kell stated he is going to ask the Police Department to work on an ordinance addressing the new carrying concealed firearms legislation for the Village’s public buildings and that will be brought forward to the Board on a future agenda. C. Kell also informed the Board that there may be a closed session on next week’s agenda regarding two real estate issues.

Adjournment

Moved by Trustee Frassetto, seconded by Trustee Mahlik to Adjourn the Committee of the Whole meeting at 7:53 p.m.

Ayes 7, Nays 0 – Motion Carried Unanimously

VILLAGE OF LITTLE CHUTE

By: Michael R. Vanden Berg, Village President

Attest: Vicki Schneider, Village Clerk