

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF OCTOBER 15 , 2014

Call to Order: President Vanden Berg called the Regular Board Meeting to Order at 6:00 p.m.

Pledge Allegiance to the Flag

President Vanden Berg led members in the reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll call of Trustees

PRESENT: Michael Vanden Berg, President
James Hietpas, Trustee
Brian Joosten, Trustee
John Elrick, Trustee
Bill Peerenboom, Trustee
Skip Smith, Trustee
Larry Van Lankvelt, Trustee

Roll Call of Officers and Department Heads

PRESENT: James Fenlon, Village Administrator
Chief Misselt, FVMPD Police
Tom Flick, Director of Parks, Recreation, and Forestry
Chuck Koehler, Village Attorney
Jeff Elrick with Public Works
Laurie Decker, Village Clerk
Jim Moes, Community Development Director
Roy Van Gheem, Director of Public Works
Beth Carpenter, Library Director
Teri Matheny, Finance Director
Building Services Director, Glenn Brouillard

OTHERS PRESENT: Interested citizens, Media Reps.

Public Appearance for Items Not on the Agenda

Mr. Stouffer spoke on motions to reconsider and that it has restrictions on it. The only person that can offer the motion is someone who voted with the prevailing side are there are timelines. He read the rules on how to rescind motions and how to amend a motion that was previously adopted.

Administrator Fenlon would like the Board to consider Item G (Discussion of Bike Lanes) prior to Item F (Striping of Riverside Dr) as Item G may answer some of the question for Item F.

Discussion—Bike Lanes

Administrator Fenlon stated letters were sent to residents to discuss bike lanes and that he sent the Board of Trustees some documents and comments on Riverside Drive for paving. This discussion really centered around removing bike lanes from the assessment policy and in particular this year's projects. Trustee Van Lankvelt said he had parking eliminated and he was initially upset but it hasn't been an issue. Trustee Joosten stated he prefers a bike route not a bike lane. President Vanden Berg stated that several concepts were presented to the board and the concept the board went with was bike lanes. We keep having the same discussion every week on this and nothing changes. We sit here on the eve of pouring concrete and we are still talking about bike lanes. This body was elected to make decisions. There was a plan; we need to follow that plan. Sometimes we disagree but at the end of the day we walk out of here and decision needs to be made. Chris Berkers from 2209 Riverside Drive stated his concern is there was a policy for bike lanes in 2009 and we are strictly trying to adhere to this policy and it doesn't seem to be fitting. People that will use the bike lanes have no interest in biking in the village, they want to bike out in the country. Trustee Smith stated he knows the Board had talked about getting out into the community more and it would be nice to have neighborhood meetings.

Discussion/Action—Striping of Riverside Drive

Administrator Fenlon presented the Power Point slides that were shown in May of 2014 regarding the striping of Riverside Drive. Trustee Van Lankvelt stated it's not good policy to change or rescind a motion after a project has started but thinks it would be in our best interest not to paint those lines for the bike lanes until a later date. He stated it would be more consistent if we voted bike lanes out of Lincoln Ave and continue with bike routes on Riverside. Trustee Van Lankvelt stated he doesn't understand why we cannot eliminate the lines for now and see what happens. He would like to eliminate the paint for now. Trustee Smith stated that we need to make a decision tonight on this and what we are going to do with it because we are not going to have people come back to add the stripes. We need to make up our mind. Trustee Elrick added a decision needs to be made and in his opinion it was already made. It was made a number of times so leave the decision as it is. President Vanden Berg stated that Riverside is a great area for bike lanes and he sees a lot of cyclists there. We made this decision several times and the board was fully aware of the design and consequences of the design with parking. In the end, it will be a showcase street. In my opinion to not put the striping down would leave it a mess. We should proceed as we voted originally. Trustee Hieptas stated he is in favor of not putting striping down and he wants to see it be used as a bike route not a bike lane. Trustee Joosten stated he is in favor of a bike route. Trustee Elrick asked what action do we take if we leave the project as is? President Vanden Berg answered the only action would be if someone makes a motion to take the striping off.

Trustee Joosten made a motion that we do not stripe Riverside Drive, seconded by Trustee Hieptas

Ayes 2, Nays 5 – Motion Failed

Discussion—Review of Joint Municipal Court

This discussion is no longer a topic of discussion due to disinterest of municipal partners

Operator Licenses:

Renn, Nicole	Appleton	M & M Bar
Ebben, Nicole	Kaukauna	5 th Quarter
Sharon, Amanda	Appleton	Gentleman Jacks

Moved by Trustee Hieptas, seconded by Trustee Smith to approve the Operator Licenses as presented

Ayes 7, Nays 0 – Motion Carried

Discussion/Review of Joint Department Budgets for Fox Valley Metro, Kimberly/Little Chute Library and Custodial Services Department

Director Matheny presented an overview of the budgets for Fox Valley Metro, Kimberly/Little Chute Library and Custodial Services Department ahead of the Joint Budget Discussion on October 20, 2014 at the Kimberly Municipal Complex. Copies of the slides are available in the Clerk's office.

Department and Officers Progress Reports

Department and Officers provided progress reports to the Board

Disbursement List

Moved by Trustee Peerenboom, seconded by Trustee Smith to Approve the Vouchers and Authorize the Finance Director to pay all vendors.

Ayes 7, Nays 0 – Motion Carried

Call for Unfinished Business

None

Items for Future Agendas

None

Moved by Trustee Elrick, seconded Trustee Smith to enter into Closed Session at 7:58 p.m.

Ayes 7, Nays 0 – Motion Carried

Closed Session

a) 19.85(1)(e) Competitive or Bargaining Reasons, Deliberating of or negotiating for purchase of public properties, investment of public funds, or conduct of other specific public business, whenever competitive or bargaining *Contract Negotiations*

b) 19.85(1)(e) Competitive or Bargaining Reasons, Deliberating of or negotiating for purchase of public properties, investment of public funds, or conduct of other specific public business, whenever competitive or bargaining *Negotiation for sale of public property*

Return to Open Session

Moved by Trustee Elrick, seconded by Trustee Van Lankvelt to exit Closed Session at 8:48 p.m.

Adjournment

Moved by Trustee Elrick, seconded by Trustee Van Lankvelt to Adjourn the Regular Board Meeting at 8:48 p.m.


Ayes 7, Nays 0 – Motion Carried

VILLAGE OF LITTLE CHUTE

By:


Michael R. Vanden Berg, Village President

Attest:


Laurie Decker, Village Clerk