

VILLAGE OF BIG ROCK

Regular Board Meeting/Committee of the Whole



Tuesday May 13th, 2014
7:00 pm
Park District Building
7S 405 Madison
Big Rock, Illinois

CALL TO ORDER

DEAN HUMMELL CALLED THE MAY 13TH, 2014 THE REGULAR/COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE (278TH) MEETING TO ORDER AT 7:04 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 APRIL 22ND, 2014 MINUTES

MOTION: KATHY METZGER, SECOND: WILL SHIMKUS, VOTE: 6 – 0

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

-John & Patti (residents of the Tenerelli subdivision) stopped to voice their concerns about the “standing water” in their ditch’s. Seems that after the recent storm water project that the area in front of their properties is no longer draining. They mentioned that NEVER have they had standing water in the ditch. In addition its extremely difficult now to mow with the way things were shaped (very steep ditches). Dean and Ted will pull the drawings to see what/if anything that might have been missed by the contractor/engineer. Maybe a meeting might need to be scheduled with all involved parties to determine what the solution is. These residents don’t want to be forgotten about and the board has assured them they won’t!

-Edwin (46w660 Dolly Dr.) had inquiry about whom is going to fix the brick pavers that were torn out of his apron from the Tenerelli drainage project last year?? He was promised by the contractor that “things would be put back to how they were” and obviously this has not been the case. Dean & Will recall this topic being addressed last year with Edwin that the plans did not call for brick paver replacement/repair within the village right of way. The board mentioned they might be able to possibly give the credit for the blacktop that was intended to be put back on Edwin’s driveway apron. This would be the only option.

ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA

None

CONSENT AGENDA

APPROVAL OF BILLS FOR MAY 13TH, 2014

MOTION: WILL SHIMKUS, 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: WILL SHIMKUS, SECOND: TED McCANNON, VOTE: 6 – 0, TIME: 7:45 PM

PRESIDENT HUMMELL

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE CONSIDERATIONS

DRAINAGE COMMITTEE REPORT

Wastewater Final Completion/Warranty Issues

-John mentioned he was last informed of a letter that H. Linden & Sons sent to Orenco stating they need materials to perform specific work for the village. Beyond this nothing has been established. John will follow-up with all parties to see what is happening however the village needs to get out during a heavy rain and collect data again. Tim will ask Darrin to handle this (if he can) and get the information back to the village office asap.

STREET MAINTENANCE REPORT

-Dean & Tim have reached out to Kolt about doing some maintenance/repair to some of the village roads. We will be mapping out the sections that need attention although Dean drove the town and there are several areas in bad shape. The village may have to do things in phases due to the costs and the amount of worked needed to be done.

-8s815 Toronto St. has a collapsed culvert. 12 inch by 24 feet – Tim will get an estimate from Kolt for this repair.

-John did follow up to see if the village qualified for some county “clean air”/sidewalk grant monies. The answer is no however there is a surface transportation program that might have some grant monies available to some local counties (Kendall, Kane, & Cook) for streets and/or sidewalks.

DEPT. OF BUILDING/SAFETY/ZONING REPORT
PROPERTY MAINTENANCE ENFORCEMENT/OFFICER

-Mark has spoken to Tom Romano of Plano. He has a lot of experience in Zoning and Property Standards from working for the City of Plano for many years. Tom is willing to take on the village contract and its needs for an hourly rate of \$50.00. This is actually a small savings for the village than prior officers hired. John will work on the contract for next meeting.

FINANCIAL REPORT
FY 14-15 BUDGET, PRESIDENT SIGNING ENGAGEMENT LETTER W/ SIKICH

-Dean went through all the village accounts with the entire board this evening. They made a few adjustments however the draft copy is in the office available for public viewing. In addition the public notice has been placed in the local paper for May 27th.

-Dean will sign a retroactive engagement letter for Sikich to continue with audit services for the village.

COMMUNITY REPORT

-Kathy Metzger mentioned a street light that is out at Roads and Rte 30. Tim will look into this with ComEd.

BOARD ADMINISTRATION

PERSONNEL
WEBSITE ADMINISTRATION, INCIDENT INVOLVING POLICE AT VILLAGE OFFICE

-The board is in favor of having a website administrator to assist Dean.

-A recent incident on 5/8/14 involving Steve Holub and Tim May @ the village office ended with 2 sheriffs arriving at the office around 10:30 a.m.. Commissioner Steve Holub (Big Rock Park District) became extremely hot and violent towards Tim for the location in which he parked his vehicle. Obscenities and threats were coming from Steve and witnessed via a call to Deans cell phone during the confrontation. The mayor and trustees have a zero tolerance for this as well as Kane County police. A formal report was filed and the village board is in full support of taking whatever necessary legal action to eliminate this kind of problem at the village office. Dean will discuss with Gene (Park District President) how he wants to proceed or Tim and/or the village will determine its options.

COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS

-Clay mentioned some landscape work that is being performed on 5th St. The village has no permits applied for in addition to the materials (rock, sand, dirt) was dumped directly in the street. Clay phoned the company/project manager and they assured him the cleanup would look perfect. Tim will stop by the property to let them know they need permits for this type of work at any property.

-The board mentioned the Park District recently had a new shed built/dropped off for a concession sales location at the park. Appears as though no permit was applied for with this structure.

-Will wanted to let the board know that Bill Brickert would still like a couple new bushes that may have been damaged during the projects last year. The board did not think any more landscape costs were necessary for the village right now along with Bill Brickerts property had already received some special attention/materials. Will also asked about the “ash” trees throughout town that are in the village right of way. The board may look at taking some dangerous limbs down, but does not have the funds to remove all the trees at this moment.

-John met with the planning and zoning on Monday evening 5/12 to do a 101 review (seems how there are new commissioners).

-Dean met with Andy Williams (BNSF Official) and John Ruh (fire chief) about the issue of trains blocking the tracks. BNSF assured Dean and John they know this is an issue and here Big Rock loud and clear. After all there was a news story recently down with ABC Channel 7 on this Life/Safety issue. BNSF is looking at things they can do (like extending the siding) to help alleviate the stopped trains in Big Rock. Our emergency personal are located on the opposite side of the tracks. Another meeting is going to be set for some time in June per Andy Williams.

VILLAGE EMPLOYEES

RECONVENE THE REGULAR VILLAGE BOARD MEETING

MOTION: TED McCANNON, SECOND: CLAY HANNINEN VOTE: 6 – 0, TIME: X:XX PM

Motion to Approve Ordinance 2014-8, an Ordinance Approving an Independent Contractor Agreement for Village Website Maintenance Services

MOTION: WILL SHIMKUS, SECOND: KATHY METZGER

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

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Adjournment

MOTION: TED McCANNON, SECOND: WILL SHIMKUS