Village of Roberts

Village Board Meeting

Feb 08, 2010

The Village Board Meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by President Moeri.

The meeting was properly noticed in the Central St. Croix News and posted in three locations in the Village of Roberts.

Members Present: Willard Moeri, Rand Waughtal, Scott Gerhardt, Terry Dull, Chuck Pizzi and Katy Kapaun. Absent: Nathan Stork.

Visitors: John Bond, Dan Burgess, Peter Tharp, Julia Young-Ybarro, Justin Johnson, Jerry Johnson, Mark Vinall-Veolia, Ethan Hofland, Brenda Hackman, Chad DeCoux-Veolia and Randy Triplett-Veolia.

Meeting Minutes

Motion to approve Meeting Minutes of Regular Board Meeting on January 11, 2010 by Pizzi, seconded by Dull. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report

Motion to approve Treasurer's Report by Dull, seconded by Gerhardt. Motion carried.

Public Concerns – Ethan Hofland asked why the sidewalks in the Village are not plowed by the Village. The Director of Public works explained that homeowners are responsible and Ethan was concerned about safety especially near the school.

Communications – Trustee Dull expressed his thank you for the flower while he was in the hospital.

Department Reports

Police Department – Dan Burgess

- Reviewed the monthly report.
- Dan has been trying to get around town and acclimated to the community.
- Attended the meeting regarding round-a-bouts.
- There has been a staff meeting and they have developed a "Mission Statement". A motto of "neighbors protecting neighbors" has been adopted.
- Note regarding Sonia Kubesh's involvement in the Law Enforcement Torch Run thanking her for her involvement.

- Storage locker has been cleaned up and sorted through. Evidence has been gone through. Also have some ceased and unclaimed property and looking for direction from the board as how to release the unclaimed property. Dan has access to a website to be able to sell the property and board was in favor.

Director of Public Works – John Bond

- Cleaning out fire hydrants. Citizens are landscaping around hydrants, close to the street and this is starting to cause a problem. Will address in the Spring Newsletter.
- GIS Mapping – UW-RF has a program set up for GIS Mapping. UW-RF has students that are already training in using GIS Mapping. The students have worked in Minnesota and St. Croix County with an average wage of $12.00 with about 100 hours needed for the GIS Mapping programming. John should check on how it is paid; i.e. Village employee, individual contractor, etc.

Committee Reports and Recommendations

Park Board – Scott Gerhardt

- Discussed raising deposit fee to $100.00 for park building rental. This would replace the $50.00 fee currently charged. By raising the fee they would hope to deter anyone not cleaning building after use.

Motion to raise the deposit fee from $50.00 to $100.00 for the security deposit on the park building by Kapaun, seconded by Pizzi. Motion carried.

Plan Commission

- Reviewed building inspector report - None
- **Plan of Business Operation – Child Care Center**

The house the couple is currently living in would be remodeled into a Child Care Center. The zoning would need to be changed.

Motion to accept the recommendation of the Plan Commission to deny the Child Care Center in the ShaRonDale Subdivision by Kapaun, seconded by Gerhardt. Motion carried.

CDA Board – None

Public Safety – None

Public Works Committee - None

Fire Association

- New fire truck should be done by the end of February. The truck needs to be equipped.

Motion to approve the spending up to $30,000 loose equipment for the new truck from the Capital Fund by Pizzi, seconded by Gerhardt. Motion carried.

- Disposition of unnecessary property will be sold. One date will be set for view of any property in the house. This will be done by June 1, 2010.

Library Board – Brenda Hackman

- Katy Kapaun reviewed the progress of the building and site reviews. Starting to meet with vendors.
- Additional part time staff will be added as needed and advertised soon.
- Circulation was at 68,000 for 2008 and 2009 was at 85,000 items.
- Spring story time will be starting soon. Summer reading program will be in the old building.

Old Business

New Business

- **Employee Education Requests and Expense Reports**

Motion to approve education requests submitted by Gerhardt, seconded by Pizzi. Motion carried.

- **Operator's License - None**
- **Review of Ordinance for Safe Zones for Sex Offenders**

There are three examples of ordinances that are all very similar. Chief Burgess presented a mock map

of where he felt child safe zones would be. At this time, we do not have anyone living within the 200 feet

of a safe zone. The board liked site specific being addressed in the ordinance. Board would like to move

forward with the ordinance.

- **Land Rental Agreement**

The land is adjacent to the WWTP plant. Recently there are a couple of parties that have become interested

in also farming the land. Currently Jerry and Justin Johnson are farming the 10 acres and have ordered

seed and fertilizer for the land. Contract should run September to September.

Motion to allow Jerry & Justin Johnson to continue this year at $500 rental and put up for bids to open

August and award bid in September for a three year contract by Pizzi, seconded by Kapaun. Motion carried.

- **Garbage & Recycling Contract**

Mark Vinall - Mark introduced the new manager in St. Paul – Rand Triplet and Chad DeCoux. Veolia is

interested in extending the contract after the three years. The rates would need to be revisited and reviewed.

A proposal could be available by Friday, February 12, 2010. The current contract would run until the 15th of

March. This will be on the March agenda.

- **Recycling Specialists Proposal**

A bin would be available at the WWTP. Schedule would be the same as compost.

Motion to accept proposal for Computer & Electronic Recycling Bin through Continental Computer Recycling

which would be during our normal recycling schedule with the leaves and compost or by appointment by

Waughtal, seconded by Gerhardt. Motion carried.

- **Pay Request – Red Wing Construction**

Motion to pay Red Wing Construction in the amount of $59,040.00 by Pizzi, seconded by Gerhardt.

Motion carried.

Payment of Bills

Motion to approve the bills by Gerhardt, seconded by Dull. Motion carried.

Any Other Business - None

Motion to adjourn at 9:05 PM by Pizzi, seconded by Gerhardt. Motion carried.

Doreen Kruschke, WCPC, CMTW Date Adopted