

THE MINUTES OF THE STRATHMOOR VILLAGE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS ON MONDAY SEPTEMBER 14, 2009 AT FIRST CAPITAL BANK

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Vicki Bell at 6:35 p.m. Those in attendance were: Mayor Vicki Bell, Commissioners Bob Baker, Jay Bowman, Tim Haertel, and Peggy Preston, Attorney Stan Chauvin, III, Chief Joe Renzi, Clerk Sheila Kaelin GUESTS: Bonnie Brown, Betsy Smith, Marilyn Mitchell, Chip Wilkinson, Jeff Noble, Alan Rubin, and Betty Manek.

MINUTES

Vicki read the minutes of the Special Meeting on Tuesday September 8, 2009. After discussion Vicki made a motion to approve the minutes as read, and Jay seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

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ETHICS COMMITTEE

There was no report.

GUESTS

Alan Rubin, attorney for Chip Wilkinson, explained to the Board Mr. Wilkinson's request for an adjustment in the amount of penalties and interest on the 2005 tax bill for 2203 Lowell. After lengthy discussion Peggy made a motion to grant Mr. Chip Wilkinson relief of tax penalties and interest for the 2005 tax bill for 2203 Lowell Avenue, and Vicki seconded. The motion passed with the voting as follows: Vicki Bell – yea Bob Baker – yea Tim Haertel – yea Peggy Preston – yea Jay Bowman – nay. After discussion Vicki made a motion that the relief of tax penalty and interest be accrued from December 1, 2008 – September 30, 2009 under the old rates, and Tim seconded. The motion passed with the voting as follows: Vicki Bell – yea Bob Baker – yea Tim Haertel – yea Peggy Preston – yea Jay Bowman – nay.

Jeff Noble and Betsy Smith introduced themselves as members of Brent Ackerson's staff. The goal of their office is to attend the meetings of 6th class cities and neighborhood associations in there area.

Marilyn Mitchell explained to the Board that a tree in her front easement needs to be trimmed. Peggy Preston stated that Strathmoor Village does not pay for removal of branches for maintenance purposes under the current ordinance.

POLICE REPORT

Chief Joe Renzi presented his monthly report which is a part of the minutes. Tim Haertel and Jay Bowman will work on the SVPD website.

ATTORNEY'S REPORT

Atty. Chauvin told the Board that the punitive damages in the Arnold Case have been reduced to \$270,000.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Vicki said that there is a \$10,000. deductible under the LAGIT policy for the police vehicles. Jay will check with his agent about the cost of police vehicle coverage with his State Farm agent.

Vicki contacted Wellington about their service for snow removal. She will e-mail Susan Melcher about the snow removal service in Kingsley.

FINANCIAL REPORT/BUDGET/TAXES

Betty Manek presented the financial report as well as the list of past due taxes. Appropriate action is being taken on these delinquent tax cases. After discussion Jay made a motion to approve the financial report as presented, and Tim seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

SIDEWALKS/STREETS

Bob Baker presented a bill in the amount of \$920.for pothole repair by the Flynn Brothers. After discussion Vicki made a motion to approve the payment of the invoice for \$920.from Flynn Brothers, and Jay seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Bob stated that Louisville Paving will begin the paving project in Strathmoor Village within the next two-three weeks, and the project will last two-three days. Signs that will notify the residents about the work will be posted.

LIGHTS/SIGNS/SANITATION

Jay informed the Board that the rear easement light has been removed. Marty Hollenbach will clean graffiti on a sign and replace missing signs. Jay is still working on the new signage project.

Jay said that under the current contract that Strathmoor Village has with Waste Management that a large garbage can be provided to residents at no charge. The resident must request the large can, and these large cans must be taken to the curb for weekly pickup service.

WEBSITE/NEWSLETTER/ORDINANCES

Tim stated that he continues to update the Website. The latest edition of the newsletter has been sent to the residents. There was discussion about ads for future newsletters. These ads could help to defray the costs.

TREES/BEAUTIFICATION/PICNIC

Peggy prepared a picnic preparation schedule which was discussed.

Peggy presented a bill from Marty Hollenbach for \$286.70. After discussion Peggy made a motion to pay Marty Hollenbach \$286.70 for work done in August 2009, and Jay seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

There was discussion about paying for trees to be planted in the easement at 2314 Strathmoor Blvd. and 2514 Tennyson. Peggy made a motion to pay 50% of the cost of the easement trees for 2314 Strathmoor (red oak or tulip) and 2514 Tennyson (will use Otte's tree list) up to \$200 maximum, and Vicki seconded. Peggy will give the list of approved trees to Otte's. She continues to work on a grant from Operation Brightside.

There is a tree at 2221 Lowell that overhangs on Doup. Peggy will ask the owner to trim this tree.

PERMITS

A request for approval of a fence at 2621 Whittier was discussed. After discussion Vicki made a motion to approve a permit for a fence at 2621 Whittier as per the submitted plans and on the following conditions: fence has to have a 10 ft. setback on the Whittier side and the fence has to have at least a 5 ft. setback on the Byron side, and Jay seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

OLD/NEW BUSINESS

The resolution for FEMA funds has been signed by Vicki and Stan. This resolution makes Betty Manek an agent for Strathmoor Village.

There being no further business, Vicki made a motion to adjourn, and Jay seconded. The meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

Vicki Bell, Mayor

Sheila F. Kaelin, Clerk