

Village of Winslow

Village Board Meeting Minutes –August 2010

The Village of Winslow met in regular session and was called to order at 7:00 PM on Wednesday, August 11th, 2010 by Village President Robert Hastings. Members present were: John McCarthy, Mary Marks, and Mindy Julius. Members who were not present: Brandon Hastings and Michael Milliken. A quorum was established and the meeting proceeded. The audience is comprised of Amber Albright, Randy Marks, Nick DiVenere, Matt Campbell, Scott Gobeli, and Paul Concrood.

Mr. Hastings asked if there was a motion to approve the minutes of the July 14th meeting. Mindy Julius moved and it was seconded by Mary Marks to approve the minutes from the July meeting. The ayes have it and the minutes were approved.

Mr. Hastings asked if there was a motion to approve the pay order for the payment of bills. Mary Marks moved and it was seconded by Mindy Julius to approve. Roll call was taken and the bills were approved.

Mr. Hastings asked if there was a motion to approve the financial report. A motion was made by Mindy Julius and Mary Marks seconded to approve the financial report provided there is an explanation for the paradise cove report. Motion carried.

Audience participation:

Scott Gobeli and Paul Concrood with the Martintown Church explained to the board that they were not going to use the Winslow School for a 3rd year for youth group for the community due to funding, and trouble with kid's poor attitudes and behaviors. They also have a new part-time youth pastor and experiencing some budget cuts. The church agreed to finish mowing as long as it took to finish up this year and would fix holes in the walls and rooms. The church asked if the board would be willing to let the church use the building on an as needed basis for a fee that the board would agree upon. Mindy Julius expressed concerns regarding pulling out the youth program in the community and what a positive thing it was. Mindy explained the poverty level in town and what the meal and education about God meant to some of the children, and that they were bringing church and community together. Scott and Paul stated they would take Mindy's concerns back to the church board. The board agreed to let the church use the school on an as needed basis, but would have to discuss a price and get back to the church.

Mr. Hastings asked Matt Campbell if Fehr-Graham did bridge inspections and Matt Campbell

stated that he was pretty sure they did. Mr. Hastings stated they needed a quote by tomorrow. Matt stated he would do that.

Matt Campbell also stated that he talked to Doug Lee on the phone regarding the waste-water treatment plant. Doug stated the siblings were negative about the plant at first, but then decided they wanted more information about what the plant would look like. Matt put together some photos/pictures of what the plant would look like for them and also would like to present them with a date and a dollar amount.

The board decided to make an offer of \$20,000 for 3 acres of the Lee estate. Mary Marks made a motion to make an offer of \$20,000 for 3 acres of the Lee estate and John McCarthy seconded the motion. Roll call was taken and the ayes have it. Motion carried.

Ken Nesemeier was not present but left a report for 22 hours of work for the month of July. His report also stated that Deputy Brad Curtis has agreed to work the Winslow River Days on August 14th as approved at last months meeting.

Nick DiVenere stated that everything was running well.

Old Business:

The copies of the village ordinances were presented to the board by Mary Marks for the members to review until the next meeting for approval.

Amber Albright gave Mindy Julius a copy of the loan application for the Community Development Assistance Program for the board to look over and review and make necessary changes.

New Business:

Mr. Hastings stated there have been some reports of garbage burning and freezer full of garbage, so Mr. Hastings stated he would discuss these concerns with Ken Nesemeier.

Mr. Hastings asked for approval for Michael Milliken to be able to sign checks. Mary Marks made a motion to add Michael Milliken to the list of people able to sign checks and Mindy Julius seconded it. Motion carried.

Mr. Hastings presented the board with some information regarding better rates through Exelon than the village is paying now through Comed. Mr. Hastings asks the board if they want to enter in on behalf of the village with assistance from Michael Mudge, a wholesale electric supply contract for the village on rates and terms acceptable to him. The length of the contract shall not exceed two years and shall be ratified by the Board of Trustees. Mary Marks moves to ratify the resolution to enter into a one year contract on the behalf of the village with the assistance of Michael Mudge, a wholesale electric supply contract for the village on rates and terms acceptable to him. Mindy Julius seconded the resolution. Motion carried.

Mr. Hastings stated that Nancy Boeck would like permission to shut the alley off for safety for the museum having an Antique show. All were in favor of granting permission to Nancy to shut the alley off for safety reasons for the Antique show.

Amber Albright asked the board if she could get a Staples credit card to order paper and office supplies online to save time. The board all agreed to Amber Albright getting a Staples credit card as long as shipping did not cost and it did not cost to have the credit card. Amber will look into getting the card and keep the board updated.

Mr. Hastings stated he received a quote for a used snow plow from Ken Rose from Monroe Truck and it was only \$300 less than a new one. The board agreed and stated they would keep looking.

Mr. Hastings also stated that Ken Rose was interested in joining the Board of Trustees, but he has not been living in town for a year. The board asked if there was anyway around it and Mr. Hastings said he would talk to the attorney about it.

Mr. Hastings informed the board of elections coming up.

The board discussed ways to bring in revenue to help pay the heating cost of the school now that the church has pulled out of the school.

Committees:

Streets, Sidewalks, Bridges, and Alleys: Per Robert Hastings, Brandon Hastings contacted Willett, Hofmann and Associates because they were going to get a federal grant for replacing a bridge and then the county comes up with some of the monies as well. Willett, Hofmann and Associates has not done any of the things they have promised and have not completed any applications. Willett, Hofmann and Associates' bridge inspections are not to exceed \$400, so

the board will wait to hear from Fehr-Graham regarding a bridge inspection as well as Willett, Hofmann and Associates has not followed through.

Public Property, Sewer, and Water: John McCarthy discussed delinquent water bills and the action the board would like to take.

Police, Public Health, and Welfare: Ken Neseimeier gave a report for 22 hours.

Permits and License: Mary Marks will file Campbell's building permit with the county assessor. Mary also asked the board to wave the \$50 fee for the Winslow Fire Department because they did an EXCELLENT job cleaning up and taking care of the building during the fish boil. Mary Marks made the motion to wave the \$50 fee and John McCarthy seconded it. Motion carried.

John McCarthy motioned and Mary Marks seconded to adjourn meeting at 9:55 P.M.

Robert Hastings, Village President

Amber Albright, Village Clerk