

Community Development Meeting
October 6, 2021

Mr. Kimes called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Trustees Present: Mr. Kimes was present at the Village Hall. Mr. McKinnon was present remotely, and Mr. Pearson arrived at 6:15

Guests: Atty. Gaziano, Stephanie King, Sergeant Haff, Kellie Symonds

Mr. Kimes stated the requirements for remote meetings have been met per Gov. Pritzker's Executive Orders.

Motion to approve the minutes with corrections from September 08, 2021 was made by Mr. McKinnon, and seconded by Mr. Kimes. Motion passed on roll call vote of those present.

There was no conflict of interest noted.

There was no Public Comment requested.

The Code Enforcement Officer was out of town and no report had been received prior to the meeting.

The update on the village hall bathroom project is still waiting for more information.

Mr. Kimes has been in contact with Mr. Dan Griffin from Oregon. Mr. Griffin will have Ms. Falk of the Oregon Park District contact Mr. Kimes. Chief White also has a contact who installs playgrounds systems. Mr. McKinnon asked the budget for this project. Mr. McKinnon stated that Mr. Kimes should make the call to find out more information, and it would seem appropriate to look at the Memorial Park and Greenlee Park as well. Mr. Kimes will contact Ms. Falk to get more information.

Mr. Pearson joined the meeting remotely at 6:15 PM.

Mr. Kimes made a suggestion for the use of the Rebuild Downtown Grant opportunity, such as a parking lot. Grant deadline is January 22, 2022. Mr. McKinnon stated that we should solicit opinions from committee and other for potential uses for these funds. Mr. McKinnon stated it would be best to understand the grant qualifications and ask Mrs. Bennett to provide information. Mr. Kimes referenced the remaining 50% of the American Rescue Plan Act funds as a potential source of funding for the park. Mr. McKinnon stated that would need to be a Board agenda item. Mr. McKinnon also

stated that the opinions of the Finance Committee and those at Fehr-Graham recommend that 100% of the American Rescue Plan Act Funds be dedicated to water infrastructure. We need to better understand the grant funding options available.

Mr. Kimes stated that the Fourth of July Team met on August 8 and submitted questions for 2022 guidance. The Team suggested a "Taste of Winnebago". It was agreed that the Fourth of July Fireworks would be on July 3rd. Mr. McKinnon stated it would be best to replicate 2021 and maintain the parade and the fireworks. The Fourth of July Team volunteers agree with repeating 2021 for 2022.

Mr. Pearson also agreed that repeating the same events as 2021 would be recommended.

Mr. McKinnon made the motion to recommend to the Board to sign the agreement with Melrose and have the fireworks on July 3rd, second by Mr. Pearson.

Mr. McKinnon questioned what the fund-raising expectations would be of the committee. Sergeant Haff stated that the fundraising efforts for 2021 were successful in raising \$15,000, of which \$5,000 was expected to be raised and applied to 2021 fireworks. These funds were raised in about 14 days. Sergeant Haff asked how much of the \$10,000 will be used moving forward, and what is to be contributed to the 2022 cost of the fireworks toward the recent quote received by Melrose of \$17,250. Mr. McKinnon suggested to allocate a specific amount of money each year for the event and balance to be raised by the Fourth of July Committee. Sergeant Haff posted on the website and to the Facebook page the recognition to the sponsors of the event.

Motion carried on a unanimous roll call vote.

No new business was noted.

Motion to adjourn was made by Mr. McKinnon, second by Mr. Pearson. Motion carried on roll call vote.

Meeting adjourned at 6:38 pm.



Kellie Symonds, Deputy Clerk

APPROVED: JANUARY 31, 2022