

Village of Prairie Grove
Meeting Minutes
June 13, 2006

Annexation Hearing for Properties along Rt. 176:

1. Call to Order: Attorney McArdle called the Annexation Hearing to order at 7: 04 PM.

2. Roll Call: Trustees Baudin, Behm, Connelly, Duda, Greenwald and Robak all present. President Breseman absent. **Others in Attendance:** Attorney David McArdle and Village Clerk Kim Minor.

3. Public Comment:

Karen Strand, Village Resident wanted to know what the Village would receive in return for this annexation.

Bob Remsing, Village Resident wanted to know the location of the Crystal Lake Chrysler Dealership.

4. Close Annexation Hearing: Motion by Trustee Duda, 2nd by Trustee Greenwald to close the Annexation Hearing at 7:12 PM. **On a Roll Vote: Trustees Baudin, Behm, Connelly, Duda, Greenwald and Robak all voted aye. Motion carries.**

Regular Monthly Board Meeting:

(Trustee Duda will be the acting President)

1. Call to Order: Trustee Duda called the Regular Monthly Board Meeting to order at 7:13 PM.

2. Roll Call: Trustees Baudin, Behm, Connelly, Duda, Greenwald and Robak all present. President Breseman absent.

Others in Attendance: Attorney David McArdle and Village Clerk Kim Minor.

3. Public Comment: None

4. Consent agenda:

Motion by Trustee Connelly, 2nd by Trustee Greenwald to approve the Meeting Minutes of May 16, 2006, Special Meeting Minutes of May 30, 2006, and Expenditure Reports of May 25, and June 8, 2006 and Revenues of May 2006. **On a Roll Vote: Trustees Baudin, Behm, Connelly, Duda, Greenwald and Robak all voted aye. Motion carries.**

5. Committee Reports and Meeting Dates: None

6. Staff/Consultant Reports or Comments:

Building Inspector, Dave Bartik met with Pat Bleck, Bleck Engineering regarding lot 40 in Timberhill. The grading at this site wasn't finished per the Engineering Plans. Dave and Pat Bleck toured the Village to discuss Engineering issues. Engineering Reviews were also discussed.

Prior to tonight's meeting Trustee Duda and Trustee Connelly met with Debbie Green, Village Treasurer to discuss the financial reports. They wanted to get a better understanding of her reports. New software was also a topic of discussion.

7. New Business/Board Comments:

- a. Remsing, Tree Removal from Public Right of Way:** Mr. Remsing of 3001 Fawn Trail apologized to the Board for doing what he thought was the right thing. He has served the Village over the years by being on various committees and by being instrumental in saving the Village years ago. A draft agreement has been created by Attorney McArdle. After a review of the agreement, Mr. Remsing stated that he is okay with it except for a few exceptions. They are as follows.

Exceptions:

1. Mr. Remsing would like to landscape the south side of the berm towards his home.
2. Work to be completed on or before July 15. Mr. Remsing stated that he cannot possibly comply with this because it is impossible to plant in the middle of summer. He would like to plant larger trees.
3. In paragraph 5 all payment costs should be removed.

The Village would like all Engineering Plans finished first before any additional work is done. Mr. Remsing asked if he could bring the dirt in first and stockpile it. He may have to change the shape of the berm once the Engineering Plans are complete. The Village Board is asking Mr. Remsing to put up a letter of credit to protect the roads until all work has been completed. Mr. Remsing doesn't want to comply with the letter of credit. He stated that if he damages the road he would fix it. He will bridge the edge of the road to protect it. After more discussion Mr. Remsing agrees to put up a letter of credit in the amount of \$3000.00 until work is complete.

Motion by Trustee Baudin, 2nd by Duda to authorize the Berm Construction Agreement between the Remsing's and the Village with the noted exceptions above and a Letter of Credit in the amount of \$3000.00. **On a Roll Vote: Trustees Baudin, Behm, Connelly, Duda, Greenwald and Robak all voted aye. Motion carries.**

Signs can be removed once the Berm Construction Agreement has been signed by all parties and the Letter of Credit is on file with the Village.

Mr. Jim Strand of 3904 Valley View is disappointed on how the Village handled this matter.

- b. Illinois Department of Central Management Services Amendment: Motion by Trustee Duda, 2nd by Robak** to authorize President Breseman to sign the Illinois Department of Central Management Services Amendment. **On a Roll Vote: Trustees Baudin, Behm, Connelly, Duda, Greenwald and Robak all voted aye. Motion carries.**

- c. **Prevailing Wage Ordinance: Motion by Trustee Greenwald, 2nd by Baudin** to approve the Prevailing Wage Ordinance. **On a Roll Vote: Trustees Baudin, Behm, Connelly, Duda, Greenwald and Robak all voted aye. Motion carries.**
- d. **Ordinance Amending Chapter 9, Nuisances and Offenses against Public Peace, Safety & Morals of Municipal Code (Fireworks):** The Village Board tabled this Ordinance.
- e. **2006 McHenry County Republican Golf Outing Fireworks Request: Motion by Trustee Behm, 2nd by Connelly** to authorize the request for the 2006 McHenry County Republican Golf Outing Fireworks. **On a Roll Vote: Trustees Baudin, Behm, Connelly, Duda, Greenwald and Robak all voted aye. Motion carries.**
- f. **Tree Ordinance:** This Ordinance is being drafted by Attorney McArdle. He would like to consult AES for suggestions before bringing this to the Village Board at the next meeting.
- g. **Overweight Ordinance:** This Ordinance is still being worked on. It will be added to next month's agenda.
- h. **Police Blotter in Newspaper:** The Village Board is requesting that the Police Department put arrests in Prairie Grove in the newspaper. Chief Sosnowski stated that he doesn't have a problem giving the information to the newspaper. It was the decision of past Village Boards to keep the information private. Chief Sosnowski will also provide something for Trustee Greenwald to put on the website.
- i. **2nd Request for Intersection Lighting at Edgewood Rd. & Cobblestone Dr.:** Mr. Richard Howe is here tonight. He represents the homeowner association for Cobblestone Woods. He stated that the request is needed for safety reasons, not just to light the sign or entrance to Cobblestone Woods. He stated that with over 150 units this intersection is heavily traveled and dangerous. Public Works Superintendent, Tim Carone will look into the costs of increasing the bulbs that currently light that intersection.

Trustee Greenwald wanted to let the Board know that he and President Breseman met with Metra on June 12th regarding a future Metra Station for Prairie Grove. Metra seemed responsive and felt it was a great site. The Metra Yard is needed in Johnsburg first. This would be at least 2 years out. Metra will have a meeting on June 22, 2006 with Crystal Lake.

8. Executive Session: Motion by Trustee Robak, 2nd by Baudin to enter into Executive Session for the purpose of Personnel Matters at 8:50 PM. **On a Roll Vote: Trustees Baudin, Behm, Connelly, Duda, Greenwald and Robak all voted aye. Motion carries.**

9. Adjournment: Motion by Trustee Greenwald, 2nd by Trustee Baudein to adjourn the regular monthly board meeting of May 16, 2006 at 9:43 PM. **On a Roll Call vote: Trustees Baudin, Behm, Connelly, Duda, Greenwald and Robak all voted aye. Motion Carries.**

Respectfully Submitted by

Kim Minor, Village Clerk