

Village of Prairie Grove
Meeting Minutes
May 15, 2007

1. Call to Order: President Breseman called the regular meeting to order at 7:04 PM.

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

Administrator Smith, Clerk Minor and Attorney McArdle also present.

3. Swearing in of New Village Trustee, Keith McConnell:

Clerk Minor stated that she had received the Certificate of Canvas Results from McHenry County certifying the results of the April 17, 2007 election. The three Trustees that will be sworn into office are Keith McConnell with 204 votes, Todd Greenwald with 174 votes and William R. Baudin II with 207 votes. Lisa Behm received 89 votes as a write in candidate. Clerk Minor then swore Todd Greenwald and William Randal Baudin II into office. Clerk Minor stated that Keith McConnell would contact her as soon as he gets back in town from a business trip so he can arrange a time to get sworn into office before the next meeting.

4. Public Comment:

William J. Franz, Timberhill Subdivision Update: Mr. Franz came this evening to let the Village Board know that he is doing everything possible to bring Timberhill into compliance with our current code requirements. He brought Frank Cuda of Schefflow Engineers to answer any questions the Village may have concerning the Engineering that was approved by Mr. Cuda prior to Bleck Engineering's involvement. Schefflow Engineers had worked for the Village for 15 years, prior to Bleck Engineering. Mr. Cuda stated that he came out to the Village and observed Timberhill on a daily basis. Administrator Smith stated that a letter went out to all lot owners in Timberhill advising them of the work to be done in Timberhill. Trustee Behm asked Mr. Cuda if all plans were approved at the Board level. Mr. Cuda stated that all work was done as per the plans. If changes were made these would have been approved by the Village Board. President Breseman asked that this item be placed on next month's agenda for a follow up. President Breseman also suggested getting the Engineers together for another meeting prior to next months meeting.

Linda Young, Lot 67 Timberhill, would like to thank Mr. Franz for doing the work as promised to her lot in Timberhill. Administrator Smith stated that the Village is still waiting for a revised site plan from the homebuilder before any building permit could be issued.

Ron Dozier wants to open a doggy daycare facility in the Rt. 176 Zamudio complex. Village staff advised Mr. Dozier that a special use permit was needed. He came before the Village Board to see if they would be open to this idea before going further with this process. Administrator Smith suggested he start by contacting Laura Jonasen to set up a meeting with our Planning & Zoning Commission.

Guyette Hunter, Village Resident is here tonight with her grandsons, TJ & Zachary Ciochon to observe a Village Board Meeting for their Eagle Scout project.

5. Consent Agenda: Motion was made by Trustee Duda, 2nd by Trustee Baudin to approve the Meeting Minutes of April 17, 2007 with changes, the Expenditure Reports of May 7, 2007 and the Revenues for April 2007. **On a Roll Call Vote: Trustees Baudin, Behm, Connelly, Duda, Greenwald and Robak all voted Aye, Motion carries.**

6. Committee Reports and meeting dates:

a & b. Planning & Zoning Commission, Reappointments of Bob Gray, Chairman and Bob Moravec, Planning & Zoning Member:

A recommendation was made by President Breseman to re-appoint Bob Gray and Bob Moravec to the Planning & Zoning Commission.

Motion by Trustee Duda, 2nd by Trustee Baudin to re-appoint Bob Gray as Chairman and Bob Moravec as a Planning Commission Member for another term. **On a Roll Call Vote: Trustees Baudin, Behm, Connelly, Duda, Greenwald and Robak all voted Aye, Motion carries.**

7. Staff/Consultant reports or comments:

President Breseman stated that he doesn't want the Town Hall Meeting to cost the Village anything. He would like to donate his monthly stipend to cover whatever expenses this meeting may cost the Village. Trustee Baudin has donated the use of his sound system and Prairie Isle has donated the use of their facility.

Police:

Chief Sosnowski stated that a special detail has been done in Prairie Grove for the last couple of weeks on Rt. 31. The State Police had several police cruisers concentrate on Rt. 31 in Prairie Grove.

Public Works: Superintendent Carone stated that the signs for the Adopt-A-Road program have been ordered and they should be in shortly. Trustees Behm and Duda have already signed up for this new program. Superintendent Carone stated that he was in the process of repainting the Village of Prairie Grove Entrance Signs. The Village paid for Nunda Township to do the street sweeping of all Village Subdivisions. Timberhill Subdivision was also done but will be paid for by Mr. Franz.

Village Administrator Smith gave the Village Board a draft version of a pie chart for the Tax Levy Discussion that will be held next week at the Town Hall Meeting. Trustee Duda spoke to Dennis Jagla, Assessor from the Nunda Township Assessors Office at length. He offered to come to a Village Board Meeting for informational purposes. He will not talk about anyone's individual tax bills. President Breseman stated that it would be a good idea to have him come to a Board Meeting.

8. Old Business/Board Comments:

a. Resolution in Objection to County Re-Zoning Petition #07-17, Pease Rt. 176 Parcel:

This objection will force the County to have a $\frac{3}{4}$ majority vote.

Motion by Trustee Duda, 2nd by Trustee Greenwald to approve a Resolution in objection to the Pease Re-Zoning Petition #07-17. **On a Roll Call Vote: Trustees Baudin, Behm, Connelly, Duda, Greenwald and Robak all voted Aye, Motion carries.**

The Burtons Bridge Homeowners thanked the Village for their support in passing a Resolution in objection to these zoning petitions. President Breseman stated that the Village cares about nearby residents and the Village has spent time and money supporting their efforts.

b. Authorization to Enter into an Agreement for a Street Light Installation at Cobblestone & Edgewood Roads:

The Cobblestone Woods Homeowners Association will pay for the installation of this streetlight. The Village will need to sign the installation contract. The monthly cost of this streetlight is \$18.00 per month. The Village does pay for all other streetlights within the Village.

Motion by Trustee Duda, 2nd by Trustee Robak to approve Administrator Smith to sign the Com-Ed installation contract and the Village will cover the cost monthly. **On a Roll Call Vote: Trustees Baudin, Behm, Connelly, Duda, Greenwald, and Robak all voted aye. Motion carries.**

9. New Business/Board Comments:

- a. **Discussion of Leach Annexation:** Mr. Leach has been offered the same deal as the annexation deal with Crystal Lake Chrysler. This would generate approximately \$24,000.00 a year in tax revenue. President Breseman stated that he was not in favor of any abatement of taxes for Leach. Attorney McArdle stated that that wasn't part of the Chrysler deal. The Village offered abating taxes for some Berian Estates properties to get Crystal Lake Chrysler in.
- b. **Discussion of Wegner Annexation:** Mr. Wegner's property is located directly north of the Village. He is asking for the current uses he has today with an agreement for lots at a later date. He doesn't have any plans to build on it anytime soon. The Village would like to move this forward with the exception of lotting at a later date.
- c. **McHenry County Council of Governments Membership for 2007:** Clerk Minor stated that this was a membership in an association that allowed for good networking with other McHenry County Municipalities. Trustee Baudin stated that it was a good idea if someone attends this on a regular basis for Village issues. Trustee Duda stated that the Village needs to converse with other Municipalities on a consistent basis.
Motion by Trustee Baudin, 2nd by Trustee Duda to approve membership in the McHenry County Council of Governments for 2007. **On a Roll Call Vote: Trustees Baudin, Behm, Connelly, Duda, Greenwald voted aye. Trustee Robak voted naye, Motion carries.**

- d. **Approval of 2007 Road Program & Resolution:** Pat Bleck , Village Engineer and Superintendent Carone concur that Nish and Valley View Roads are the roads in most need of repair at this time. IDOT approval in the amount of \$95,000.00 is being requested. This is the amount of the MFT funds that will be used for the 2007 Road Program. The Village will need to expend approximately \$5000.00 for the remainder of the road program cost out of the general fund. The Village will go out to bid for this program.
- Motion by Trustee Robak, 2nd by Trustee Duda** to pass the Resolution for road maintenance, request \$95,000.00 in MFT funds from IDOT and go out to bid. **On a Roll Call Vote: Trustees Baudin, Behm, Connelly, Duda, Greenwald, and Robak all voted aye. Motion carries.**

10. Executive Session: None

11. Adjournment: Motion was made by Trustee Behm, 2nd by Trustee Baudin to adjourn Village Board Meeting at 8:55 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