

Village of Prairie Grove
Hicks Annexation Minutes & Meeting Minutes
May 20, 2008

Hicks Annexation Hearing:

- 1. Call to Order:** President Breseman called the Hicks Annexation Hearing to order at 7:03 PM.
- 2. Roll Call:** Trustees Baudin, Connelly, Greenwald, McConnell, Robak and President Breseman all present. Trustee Duda absent.
Administrator Smith, Clerk Minor and Attorney McArdle also present.
- 3. Public Comment:** None

Attorney McArdle gives a brief description of the annexation agreement for Mr. Jim Hicks. The Hicks property is located at 4701 Edgewood Road. Mr. Hicks currently has farming zoning in the County and would wish to stay farming in the Village. The Planning & Zoning Board gave a positive recommendation for the Hicks F zoning. The annexation agreement includes all conditions desired by Mr. Hicks.

Lisa Behm asked if the farming zoning was available to others in the Village. It is available however; at this point no one else in the Village has the farming zoning.

4. Close Annexation Hearing:

Motion was made by Trustee Baudin, 2nd by Trustee Robak to adjourn Annexation Hearing at 7:07 PM. **On a Roll Call Vote: Trustees Baudin, Connelly, Greenwald, McConnell and Robak all voted Aye, Motion carries.**

Regular Village Board Meeting:

- 1. Call to Order:** President Breseman called the regular meeting to order at 7:07 PM.
- 2. Roll Call:** Trustees Baudin, Connelly, Greenwald, McConnell, Robak and President Breseman all present. Trustee Duda absent.
Administrator Smith, Clerk Minor and Attorney McArdle also present.

3. Public Comment:

Jack Schaefer of 4114 Rt. 176, asked about the Ray Street property taxes. He stated that people on the North side of Ray Street were not taxed for Prairie Grove taxes for 2007. However businesses on the South side were taxed for Prairie Grove taxes the entire year. Mr. Schaefer asked why they were charged for the entire year when they were only forced in last November. Administrator Smith stated that the Assessors Office must have made an error. She will call and research this tomorrow. Abatement for the forced annexations will be discussed during the Staff/Consultant reports later in the agenda.

4. Clarke Mosquito Control Presentation by George Balis:

Mr. Balis stated that he had given the Village a quote for mosquito control. He works with currently over 200 Communities including Crystal Lake, McHenry and Nunda Township. He stated that after an inspection of the Village they feel that there are 50 potential breeding sites for mosquitoes. Larval control will be done by hand, backpack or helicopter. There is an additional option for adult mosquito control. These sprays would be done by truck. The cost of the program would be \$15,000.00 for the entire season. Start would be mid May.

Trustee Greenwald asked about the safety of the product. The product used for control breaks down in the environment rapidly.

Trustee McConnell asked if this was something we needed to go out to bid for. Administrator Smith stated that since this would be by contract for professional services it was not necessary to go out to bid.

5. Consent Agenda: Motion was made by Trustee Baudin, 2nd by Trustee Connelly to approve the Meeting Minutes of April 15, 2008, the Expenditure Reports of April 28 and May 8, 2008 and the Revenues for April 2008. A Disbursement of \$5,320.00 for Village Portion of Prairie Shield Grant, Expenditure of \$1,250.00 for Membership Dues in Prairie Shield. Ordinances #443, a Zoning Text Amendment, #444, Ordinance Authorizing Execution of Hicks Annexation Agreement, #445, Ordinance Authorizing Annexing Hicks Property, #446, Ordinance Authorizing Zoning Hicks Property. **On a Roll Call Vote: Trustees Baudin, Connelly, McConnell, Robak and President Breseman all voted Aye, Trustee Greenwald abstains, Motion carries.**

Mr. Hicks is welcomed to the Village.

6. Committee Reports and meeting dates:

a. Motion to Approve Re-Appointment of Bob Moravec to the Planning & Zoning Commission term ending April 30, 2013:

Motion by Trustee Baudin, 2nd by Trustee Greenwald to Approve Re-Appointment of Bob Moravec to the Planning & Zoning Commission term ending April 30, 2013. **On a Roll Call Vote: Trustees Baudin, Connelly, Greenwald, McConnell and Robak all voted Aye, Motion carries.**

b. Motion to Approve Re-Appointment of Bob Gray as Chairman of the Planning & Zoning Commission term ending April 30, 2009:

Motion by Trustee Baudin, 2nd by Trustee Greenwald to Approve Re-Appointment of Bob Gray as Chairman of the Planning & Zoning Commission term ending April 30, 2009. **On a Roll Call Vote: Trustees Baudin, Connelly, Greenwald, McConnell and Robak all voted Aye, Motion carries.**

c. Motion to Approve Re-Appointments of Bob Gray, Sean Rathjen, Rene Zammudio and Keith McConnell as (Chairman) for the Economic Development Commission terms ending April 30, 2009:

Motion by Trustee Baudin, 2nd by Trustee Greenwald to Approve Re-Appointments of Bob Gray, Sean Rathjen, Rene Zammudio and Keith McConnell as (Chairman) for the Economic Development Commission terms ending April 30, 2009. **On a Roll Call Vote: Trustees Baudin, Connelly, Greenwald, McConnell and Robak all voted Aye, Motion carries.**

7. Staff/Consultant reports or comments:

Trustee McConnell stated that the EDC met yesterday. They have been working on a draft brochure for the Wildflowers Business District. The EDC will send this to Boulder Capital to get their reaction. They also discussed office zoning.

Administrator Smith stated that the Parks Committee met twice in the past month. They have been working with Houseal & Lavigne to come up with a draft park plan.

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b. Motion to Approve the Draft Village Hall Park Site Plan:

Motion by Trustee Greenwald, 2nd by Trustee Baudin to Approve the Draft Village Hall Park Site Plan. **On a Roll Call Vote: Trustees Baudin, Connelly, Greenwald, McConnell and Robak all voted Aye, Motion carries.**

c. Motion to Approve Houseal & Lavigne OSLAD Grant Proposal:

Houseal & Lavigne believes that Prairie Grove is an ideal candidate to receive the OSLAD Grant. The Village has never applied before and the Village doesn't have any other parks. OSLAD is a matching grant, donations are not matched. We need to submit for the grant by July 1, 2008. President Breseman stated that he would hate to see the Village spend \$7000.00 and get nothing. He suggested offering Houseal & Lavigne an incentive by giving them more if we get the grant and less if we don't. Administrator Smith stated that we needed to hold a public presentation sometime in June.

Motion by Trustee Baudin, 2nd by Trustee McConnell to Approve Houseal & Lavigne OSLAD Grant Proposal subject to negotiations with Houseal & Lavigne regarding the not to exceed price and the win/loss risk. **On a Roll Call Vote: Trustees Baudin, Connelly, Greenwald, McConnell and Robak all voted Aye, Motion carries.**

a. Village Board Direction Regarding Ray Street Property Owners Tax Abatement:

Attorney McArdle drafted an Ordinance regarding sales tax and real estate taxes for the Village Board to take a look at. Attorney McArdle wants the Village Board to give him specific direction regarding the ordinance. This ordinance includes a 5-year abatement of real estate taxes. Language needs to be added for reimbursement of 2007 taxes. Sales tax would be a 50% reimbursement for 10 years.

8. New Business/Board Comments: None

9. New Business/Board Comments:

a. Motion to Approve Intergovernmental Agreement for Police Department Dispatch: Motion by Trustee Baudin, 2nd by Trustee McConnell to Approve the Intergovernmental Agreement for Police Department Dispatch with McHenry County Sheriffs Office. **On a Roll Call Vote: Trustees Baudin, Connelly, Greenwald, McConnell and Robak all voted Aye, Motion carries.**

b. Motion to Approve Ordinance #447, Special Use Permit for Chicago MasterCraft: Motion by Trustee Baudin, 2nd by Trustee Robak to Approve Ordinance #447, A Special Use Permit for Chicago MasterCraft.

Discussion:

MasterCraft is currently located in Volo, IL. on Rt. 12. This request received a positive vote from our Planning & Zoning Commission for their Special Use Request. Besides new & used boat sales they offer equipment, boat repairs and storage. They keep most stock in the Spring & Fall. They currently sell 60-65 boats per year. They do between two and three million dollars a year in business.

Motion by Trustee Baudin, 2nd by Trustee Robak to Approve Ordinance #447, A Special Use Permit for Chicago MasterCraft. This includes the use of white covers for storage.

On a Roll Call Vote: Trustees Baudin, Connelly, Greenwald, McConnell and Robak all voted Aye, Motion carries.

c. Village Board Direction regarding entering into an Economic Incentive Agreement with Chicago MasterCraft:

The Village Board would like to offer MasterCraft the same incentive agreement that was offered to other businesses in the Village. The Village Board will decide on incentives on a case by case basis.

10. Executive Session: None

11. Adjournment: Motion was made by Trustee Baudin, 2nd by Trustee Robak to adjourn Village Board Meeting at 8:57 PM. **On a Roll Call Vote: Trustees Baudin, Connelly, Greenwald, McConnell and Robak all voted Aye, Motion carries.**

Respectfully Submitted by:

Kim Minor, Village Clerk