

Village of Honor  
Meeting Minutes-April 13, 2015      Approved 5/11/15 . no revisions

Regular Village of Honor meeting called to order by Dennis Rodzik, President at 6:00p.m. on April 13, 2015.

- A. Pledge of Allegiance led by Rodzik
- B. Roll call conducted by Village Clerk, Laura Ward, all Trustees present: Joe Schettek, Kathy McManus, Richard Fast, Bill Ward, Dennis Rodzik.
- C. Guests recognized and welcomed by Rodzik. Shelly & Bob Rosa, Bruce Wilde, Josh Rayner, Karen Belanger.
- I. **Approval of Agenda:** With the additions of New Business items J-Pres. Pro-tem pay, K-Consumers Power resolution, L-County Commissioner presentation by Rodzik, a motion was made by Rodzik, second by Fast to approve the agenda with additions. 5/0 Ayes carry.
- II. **Approval of minutes from March 9, 2015 meeting:** Ward motions to approve, second by McManus. 5/0 Ayes carry.
- III. **Presentations:** None
- IV. **Public Input:** Doug Durkee announced his intention to look for other employment due to the comments from certain Council members and the public regarding his work performance. Shelly Rosa voiced concern and questioned her recent sewer bill increase which has spiked to \$754.00/mo.
- V. **Treasurers Report:** Submitted by Debra Schaub. Fast questioned if all overdue sewer bills were sent out, confirmed yes by Deb. Motion made by Fast to accept report, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Schettek. Council accepts report 5/0.
- VI. **New Business:**
  - A. **Dog poop:** Ward presented copy of Ordinance #14, the old "Dog" ordinance and his concern to Council over dog waste being unsightly and potentially harmful to the river. Questioned if Village Ordinance Officer has authority to enforce County Ordinance and discovered no. Ward accepted the responsibility to research and prepare a new Ordinance for dog ownership in the Village which would include content regarding dog waste.
  - B. **Personnel Policy:** Rodzik presented review of old policy and changes for new policy. Rodzik motions to accept changes, Fast 2nds. McManus moves for secondary motion to table for one month giving Council time to appropriately review the changes. Ward 2nds, secondary motion is approved 5/0.
  - C. **Trees/Maley Park:** Ward would like approval to donate cedar seedlings and plant between the drive and picnic tables as a barrier from the road at Maley Park. Council approves without formal vote.
  - D. **Summer help:** Rodzik moves to allow hiring of Mike Bailey up to 20 hrs. a week as summer help for Maintenance through Oct. 1, 2015. Rodzik further moves to increase hourly rate to \$10.75/hr. effective immediately. Schettek 2nds motion and motion passes 5/0.
  - E. **Kastenschmidt property:** Rodzik drops issue due to lack of information.

- F. Kerby staging:** Discussion to allow Kerby to use Village lot space at the corner of Henry and Cedar for equipment storage during demolition of? building. No objections from Council, offer will be extended to Kerby.
- G. Deadstream Ditches:** Conversation strays to paving needs of the Village, funds not available for both. Schetteck suggests, and council agrees to make the ditches the priority. Schetteck questions the ability of Village to rent necessary equipment to dredge the ditches ourselves. Fast suggests that Schetteck to look into costs to rent equipment or hire out services. Schetteck accepts responsibility. Issue was tabled until Council can review from Schetteck.
- H. Sewer bills for Land Contract property:** Council recognizes Shelly Rosa for comment due to her experience. Accepted responsibility is to the owner of the property. Rodzik moves that all billing goes to the property owner, Fast 2nds motion. Motion passes 5/0
- I. ? Building party:** Rodzik moves to item L.
- L. Resolution to County Commissioner:** Rodzik makes statement regarding the practices of the County/Land Bank in regards to the demolition and removal of contents from the? Building. Specifically, a certain safe being removed and given away, preventing Rodriguez, the reclamation contactor, due assets. Concerns are raised about when Village/Township/County may realize monies owed, which could be sooner if contents were properly inventoried and put up for auction. Rodzik would like to appear before the County Commissioner with a resolution from Council expressing Village concerns. Council opens to discussion from audience and Council. Rodzik moves for approval to appear and County Commissioner mtg. 4/14, Fast 2nds. Fast will attend as well. Council approves motion 5/0, but no resolution was approved by Council.
- I.? Building Party:** Brief discussion regarding the possibility of a party to acknowledge the removal of the ? Building and possibly collaborating with H.A.R.P. Question arose whether the County is having a celebration. Fast recognizes the efforts of Shelly Rosa and Bruce Wilde in pushing for the demolition of the building. Council agreed to table further discussion until the May council meeting.
- K. Consumers Power resolution:** Rodzik explains arrangement with Consumers Power to extinguish approximately 29 streetlights-but not remove-within forty-five(45) days of receipt of Resolution from Council. Further explained will be the charge of eight (8) dollars per light to extinguish, but would be offset by the monthly savings. Rodzik noted that red ribbons are attached to the targeted lights. Rodzik motions for Resolution #108-15 to be issued to Consumers Power, motion 2<sup>nd</sup> by Schetteck. Council approves 5/0.
- J. Pro-tem pay:** Rodzik motions to pay two-hundred fifty (250) dollars to Rick Fast as supplemental Pres. Pro-tem pay for the month of February due to extensive additional supervisory duties and time. Motion 2<sup>nd</sup> by Schetteck, motion passes 4/0 with Fast abstaining.

## VII. OLD BUSINESS

- A. Blight & Junk/rescind Ord.#34:** Rodzik motions for Resolution #109-15 as a technical correction which will rescind original Blight & Junk Ordinance 34. Schetteck 2nds the

motion. Secondary motion made by Rodzik, 2<sup>nd</sup> by McManus to publish Resolution #109-15. Roll call vote taken, both motions pass 5/0.

- B. Doug Durkees health care benefits:** Council agrees that the issue is moot at this point, no further discussion is necessary.

#### **VIII. Reports**

*Maintenance/Street Administrator:* Written report submitted by Durkee

*Zoning:* Rodzik discusses issue before Zoning Committee regarding enforcement of Zoning infractions, which will be placed as a priority for the Committee.

*Parks:* Nothing new to report

#### **IX. Bills/Checks**

Written report submitted by Clerk. Fast motions to accept, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Schettek, motion passes to accept as written 5/0.

#### **X. Amendments**

None

#### **XI. General discussion**

None ??

#### **XII. Public Input**

Bob Rosa resumes discussion and voices concern over the increase of the Carwash sewer rates and the increase in its REUs. Rodzik points out that the Village has updated its REU usage for businesses per Federal USDA Rural Development scale. Fast motions to reduce monthly bill amount to Rosa carwash property. There is no 2<sup>nd</sup> to the motion. Council expresses reluctance to offer reduction or discount before being able to thoroughly research the concerns and respond. Rodzik makes secondary motion to table the issue for one month, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Schettek, motion passes 4/1 with Ward voting nay. Primary motion is also tabled.

#### **XIII. Correspondence**

Council reviews letters sent to Jason Kage, Daniel Pelky, Danny Crossman regarding B & J violations, and received from Michelle Thompson/Land Bank requesting funding donations for the reclamation and demolition of the ? Building.

#### **XIV. Adjourn**

@ 8:30 p.m., Fast motions to adjourn, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Rodzik. Motion passes 5/0 Meeting adjourned.