

Committee (COTW) Meeting Minutes

Public Safety, Parks, Building & Facilities, Cemetery, Refuse, Water Sewer,
Streets Alleys, Finance, Economic Development and Personnel

Monday January 22, 2024

Meeting Called to Order: 6:00 P.M. Meeting Adjourned: 7:15 P.M.

ATTENDANCE		PRESENT	ABSENT & EXCUSED
Village President	Jason Beam	X	
Trustee	John Taylor	X	
Trustee	Karen Brandau	VIA PHONE	
Trustee	Amanda Johnson	X	
Trustee	Dan Galle	VIA PHONE	
Trustee	Sam Bennett	VIA PHONE	
Trustee	Ryan Franck		X
Administrator	Steve Brown	X	
Administrative' Assistant	Connie Johnson	X	
Village Clerk.	Sarah Jern		X
Village Attorney	Attorney Jacobs		X
Audience	ESDA Director, Leonard Guild		X

Public Comments:

Anderson Taylor spoke to the Board regarding putting a museum in a portion of the adjacent building next to Village Hall.

Public Safety:

*Review Police report, Discuss Dangerous Building fines are being handled by Village Attorney. Discuss Dog bite violations that were issued, the result of ordinances were not the dog bites they were no current vaccinations or registration with the county for the animals.

Parks:

*Discussion of Park Projects, the remodeling of Hand Park pavilion is in the 2023 Budget. Half of the benches and scoreboard will be purchased with funds from the 2023 Budget. The climber and lights for College Square have arrived and will be installed when the weather permits. Signs for East Park providing information for Bicycle riders will be purchased within the 2023 Budget also. Items that will be discussed for the 2024 Budget will include fencing for the Dog Park, electrical work and concrete pads for the lighting installation and benches at College Square Park. Discuss obtaining a

quote for replacing the decking and expansion around Hand Park pavilion, quotes will be obtained for composite and wood decking.

Building and Facilities:

*Discussion of Barkery Lease, the current lease expires January 28, 2024, and business owners are not able to pursue purchasing the property. The property at 132 W Exchange will be put on the market For Sale by Becky Blackert from Mel Foster. The Barkery will continue to rent the space on a month-to-month lease for the current rent of \$200.00 a month.

Cemetery:

*No items to discuss

Refuse:

*No items to discuss

Water Sewer:

*Discuss LSLI update, they are working on getting files together for mapping and will utilize it for a visual system. This will allow completion on sections when EPA begins with the updating phase.

*Discuss Wastewater plant update including rate increase discussion, sign off on plant proposal has occurred. Next step in process is a proposal for funding, rate increases needs to be proposed for a loan of 20 years at 1.81% interest with the possibility of a portion of the loan eligible for forgiveness. The forgiveness is not determined until the loan has been approved, the loan does not have to be accepted if the results are not what the Village is looking for.

Streets Alleys:

*No items to discuss

Finance:

*Reviewed and discussed December 2023 finance report

*Reviewed and discussed Preliminary bills list

*Discussion of Mel Foster contract renewal, currently there is one parcel listed for sale at 118 N. Prospect this expires in February 2024.

*Discussion of donation request (FFA Mural) FFA is requesting assistance monies for the mural they will be having created on the side of the building in the Kwik Shop lot that is visible from the main highway going through Cambridge. Discuss a possible Improvement Grant to assist with the mural.

*Discussion of donation request (Trees Forever), last year's donation was \$500, the organization supplies the Village with a generous number of trees and other useful tools. Discuss using the maintenance monies in the budget to be able to match last year's donation.

*Discussion of 2024-2025 budget- a template is included in the COTW packet for the Board members to fill out with projects and concerns they would like to see addressed in next years Budget and return to Village office when completed.

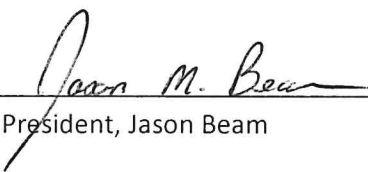
Economic Development:

*TIF joint review meeting update, Tom Akers and a representative from Cambridge Public Library were present. In 2028 TIF 1 will end it needs to be discussed if this TIF will be extended and TIF attorneys will need to be involved throughout the process.

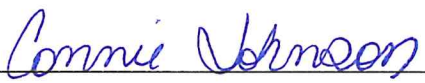
*Discussion of Bank Orion privacy fence cost assistance.

Personnel:

*No items to discuss



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