

Committee (COTW) Meeting Minutes

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

Monday February 13, 2023

Meeting Called to Order: 6:00 P.M. Meeting Adjourned: 7:40 P.M.

ATTENDANCE		PRESENT	ABSENT & EXCUSED
Village President	Jason Beam	X	
Trustee	Shawn Stiles		X
Trustee	John Taylor	X	
Trustee	Karen Brandau	X (Phone)	
Trustee	Amanda Johnson		X
Trustee	Dan Galle	X (Phone)	
Trustee	Sam Bennett	X (Phone)	
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:

* No Public comments.

Public Safety:

*Discuss and reviewed Policing, Henry County has assigned Cambridge a full-time officer. Officer Stout will remain part-time and Caden Bowers will work a minimum of 8 hours monthly on Ordinance Violations to fulfill his contract through Village for part-time Academy training. Discuss Cambridge looking into having a Police Unit, discuss that contracting through Henry County Sheriff's department is in the Village best interest currently.

*ESDA report, Hutchinson Electric will be inspecting the emergency sirens fuses and batteries, if that does not repair the siren reaching out to Supreme Radio will be the next step. Discuss that a maintenance plan on the sirens may keep them in working condition. This option will be further looked at. Discuss putting money in next years budget for new sirens as current ones may not be cost effective to repair.

Parks:

*Discuss the bathroom floors have been repaired and are complete. Playground equipment is being researched to have in next years budget for College Square. Discuss Public Works beginning pavilion remodel , and bathroom remodel to be used as storage at Hand Park.

Building and Facilities:

*No items to discuss.

Cemetery:

*No items to discuss

Refuse:

*Discuss Village wide yard sales set for April 28th & 29th and Spring clean-up May 5th.

Water Sewer:

*Discuss Lead Pipe survey update, the village office has reached the thresholds of surveys per EPA. Lead inspections have begun to confirm residents that stated they have lead service lines. Photos are being taking upon inspections. Process will be continuing.

Streets Alleys:

*Discuss MFT Center Street proposal. Funding will need to be utilized this year. Center street to Prospect will begin with Henry County being responsible as well as Center Street to Henry County Buildings as the Village responsibilities. Discuss this work needs to begin soon.

*Alley vacate, discuss this in a prior meeting, the Title Company has requested a verbage change for paperwork completion. Alley needs to be changed to Street per Title Companies paperwork.

Finance:

*Reviewed January 2023 finance report, discuss the consideration of a increase in water & sewer rates before moving into the next fiscal year's budget. Discuss small increments may be needed to continue funding project in the future.

*Reviewed Preliminary Bills list, no questions.

*Discussion of 2023-2024 budget, this item will be moved to Village Board meeting on February 27, 2023 due to projection viewing needed. Three Trustees were via phone and two were not in attendance.

Economic Development:

*Discussion of RDA for Carlson Catering, closing process of building is continuing and will be completed soon. The new owner is inquiring about assistance with electrical work, inside remodeling and parking. After closing is completed, she will be applying for a RDA.

*Discussion of RDA for Kwik Shop, receipts were submitted for work that has been completed as well as expansion construction that will occur soon. The owner has invested into his business for several upgrades. Discuss an RDA between \$15,000 and \$20,000 to assist with the upgrades with a 5 year unforgivable clause.

*Discussion of RDA for 114 N East St. Curb appeal for the side of the building would be a very beneficial. Tuck pointing and a mural on the wall would be a asset to the buildings appearance. Discussion will continue.

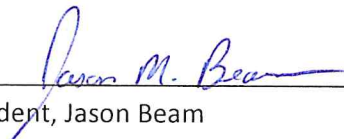
*Discussion of Food Pantry move to 123 W. Exchange St. The food pantry states the building will work for the set up they need , remodeling work will be required and some maintenance issues before they would be able to move there. A appraisal will be required for the sale of the building, then discussion can continue with the Food Pantry on a purchase option. A TIF redevelopment would be an option to assist with the purchase. Discussion will continue with the Food Pantry to make the purchase affordable as they will have upkeep and maintenance in the future as well as current remodel and maintenance. Keeping a Food Pantry in Cambridge is a great asset to the residents.

*Discussion of Website redesign, discussion has been ongoing to have a website that promotes the Village to visitors looking for information and user friendly to navigate. A quote was obtained from a designer that charges per page and offers set up, revisions, test and launch and 60 day post-build support as needed. The company has excellent referrals and past work has good reviews. Pricing is comparable with other Website designers.

* Discussion of Freedom house location. Dr. Randy Mullin contacted the Village Office he is looking for a building with 10-15 rooms set ups to utilize as a women's shelter in the Henry County area. Discuss at this time in the Cambridge area nothing could be thought of to satisfy their needs.

Personnel:

*No items to discuss



Village President, Jason Beam



Administrative Assistant, Connie Johnson