

VILLAGE OF OSCEOLA PUBLIC HEARING PROCEEDINGS
June 9th, 2020

At 5:45 p.m. Village President Buberl called to order the Public Hearing portion of the meeting regarding the vacating of public alleyway described as: *That portion of the alley lying between Lot 4, Block 3, Staples Addition to the Village of Osceola, Polk County, Wisconsin and the vacated portion of the alley lying adjacent to Lot 9, Block 3, Staples Addition to the Village of Osceola, Polk County, Wisconsin.*

This public hearing was held remotely and in attendance were Buberl, Bob Schmidt, Joel West, Deb Rose, Bruce Gilliland, Van Burch, and Tim Anderson. Staff present was Administrator Krumenauer and Clerk Duncanson.

There were no public oral or written comments on this matter and the public hearing was declared adjourned at 5:55 p.m.

VILLAGE OSCEOLA REGULAR BOARD PROCEEDINGS
June 9th, 2020

The Village of Osceola Board met remotely for a Regular meeting on June 9th, 2020. Village President Buberl called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Present: Buberl, Bob Schmidt, Joel West, Deb Rose, Bruce Gilliland, Van Burch, and Tim Anderson.
Staff present: Administrator Krumenauer and Clerk Duncanson.

Others: Trudy Lorenz, Germaine Ross, Lisa Curry, Holly Walsh, Angela Popenhagen, and Eric Utne.

Motion by West and seconded by Anderson to approve the agenda.

Ayes-7 Nays-0 Motion carried.

Motion by Burch and seconded by Gilliland to approve the minutes of:

- a) Regular meeting dated May 13, 2020
- b) Special event dated June 3, 2020-with addition of a statement by Buberl noting that this meeting was interrupted numerous times.

Ayes-7 Nays-0 Motion carried.

Anderson abstains on the Special Event minutes dated June 3, 2020 as he was not in attendance.

Public input and ideas (Limit 5 minutes per speaker)

Lisa Curry at 397 Ridge Road in Osceola expressed her appreciation for the Board visiting the mine. Curry also commented that out of respect to the Board there were just a few citizens in attendance.

Holly Walsh of 405 Ridge Road in Osceola thanked the Board for listening at the last meeting and was happy they toured the mine. Walsh is still concerned about air and water quality issues and noise issues. They are holding off on making property improvements until mine issues are settled. Curry asked the Board members to state their stance on the issues. Buberl stated public comment was not a back and forth and will not discuss. Curry asked for a special meeting for dialogue on the issue with the public and would like that stated in the minutes.

Reports

- c) Staff Reports

- i. Building permits-Krumenauer- reported a a good month with two new homes, several decks for a total of \$456,000 in permit value. So far this year we have had eight new homes with \$1.27 million in permit value.
 - ii. Administration-Krumenauer- The Village has officially reached out to Gateway Meadows property owners to ask for input on signage, lighting, etc. Most of feedback is positive. The Village is receiving 50/50 grant funding for Simmon Drive so we can put in a bigger and wider road in partnership with the Town of Osceola. We maintain maintenance the right of way and share in reconstruction rights. The Village will need an MOU with the Town. Hopefully this can be a Spring of 2022 project.
 - iii. Police-Schmidt- The Village did not get the COPS grant for an additional officer.
 - iv. Public Works-Burch-The Maintenance Department is trying to dispose of a tractor.
 - v. Library-Rose- A phased reopening is planned, please check the website for information.
 - vi. Fire-Schmidt- The Fire Hall was struck by lightning there will be about \$8-10,000 in repairs needed. There is also a natural gas line that needs to be buried.
- b) Chamber of Commerce/Mainstreet-Germaine Ross- The Chamber is in the recruiting phase for COVID programs to assist businesses. They received a \$1,000 grant from AARP for picnic areas. The parklet by the Cutler/Buberl law office is a good spot to put some chairs, tables, and umbrellas for the public to enjoy some takeout food. Buberl asks how businesses are doing and commented there seems to be more people downtown. Germaine states there is optimism and positive comments. Rose gave a reminder of the Farmers Market this weekend and asked people to bring masks. Burch appreciates the information and being on top of the pandemic.

2. Other business – discussion and possible action re:

Motion by Rose and seconded by Burch to approve the Osceola Baseball Park lease with the Osceola Braves Inc.

Roll call vote: Ayes-Anderson, Buberl, Burch, Gilliland, Rose, Schmidt, West Nays-0 Motion carried.

a) 2020 Community asset survey-Buberl explained this came up in Planning Commission to review the Power of Ten as listed at the bottom of our agendas. This should be updated to be sure this is what the community still wants. The Planning Commission recommended we send out a survey with utility bills and make the survey also available in the newspaper, online, and other areas. Schmidt wants to add the ambulance to the list of important departments. Rose doesn't want too many questions as people lose interest. There was no official motion or action taken but the consensus was to move forward and have it out by early August.

b) 2021 Capital and budget timeline worksheet-This is a draft timeline of what staff is looking at for development of budget and meeting schedules to align with the release of state information. This includes capital improvements and dates will firm up as we get closer.

Motion by Burch and seconded by Buberl to approve Resolution #20-12 “Final Bill to Mill Pond Learning Foundation Regarding Balance Due on Joint Village Hall/Library Project “.

Roll call vote: Ayes-Anderson, Buberl, Burch, Gilliland, Rose, Schmidt, West Nays-0 Motion carried.

Discussion: Buberl commented the building will be open two years this October and we have hit a wall in discussion between the Village and Mill Pond Foundation. This was a joint effort that started years ago and some of the players have changed. It is a partnership, but one group is not being a partner and it has come down to this. Krumenauer reviewed the history and timeline of the project. Assurances of funding

were made that did not materialize, and the Village had to fund the difference of what the Mill Pond Foundation did not come up with. The shortfall was \$501,034.76. The proceeds of the sale of the old library will go to offset the shortfall. The Village will maintain the balance on our accounts receivable as due by Mill Pond Foundation and invoice them with interest. Discussion with the Mill Pond Foundation on how much is owed is discontinued. The Village will not approve any enhancements desired by Mill Pond while this is hanging out there with the exception of donor recognition. Buberl stated the group did raise a lot of money for a desirable building a lot of people use. Schmidt stated we should recognize the Village residents also who are paying their fair share after the funding shortfall. Gilliland commented this was in the form of the amount of the tax increase. Rose commented a lot of other people donated labor as well. Krumenauer requested guidance and clarification on how they want the resolution worded. The Board discussed the wording of the resolution for Krumenauer to revise.

Motion by West and seconded by Schmidt to approve Resolution #20-13 “Vacating Public Owned Alleyway”.

Ayes-7 Nays-0 Motion carried.

3. Permits and Licenses

Motion by West and seconded by Burch to approve Operator Licenses as listed.

Ayes-7 Nays-0 Motion carried.

Motion by Schmidt and seconded by Gilliland to approve retail Alcohol Renewal Licenses as listed.

Ayes-7 Nays-0 Motion carried.

Motion by Rose and seconded by Anderson to approve Cigarette Licenses as listed.

Ayes-7 Nays-0 Motion carried.

Motion by Anderson and seconded by Burch to approve the Incidental Dancing (Jukebox) Licenses as listed.

Ayes-7 Nays-0 Motion carried.

Sign permit approval for the Sleepy Thicket

This conditional obstruction permit will need to go through the Historical District Committee. Proposed is a flag sign between a planter and bench. Rose stated it needs to fit in with what sign ordinance we have and does not favor the proposed placement. Burch stated it needs to pass the appropriate committee(s).

Motion by Schmidt and seconded by West to send the Sleepy Thicket back to the appropriate committees for further review.

Ayes-7 Nays-0 Motion carried.

Motion by Burch seconded by Rose to approve Board, Committee, Commission and Agency Reports:

- a. March 3, 2020 Public Works Committee
- b. April 9, 2020 Osceola Library Board
- c. April 10, 2020 Admin & Finance Committee
- d. April 20, 2020 Airport Commission

Ayes-7 Nays-0 Motion carried.

Motion by West and seconded by Rose to approve vouchers payable.

Ayes-7 Nays-0 Motion carried.

4. Committee Appointments

Motion by Rose and seconded by Burch approve reappointment of Kaitlyn Carlson to the Library Board for a three-year term (expiring May, 2023) and approving the appointment of Patrick Lee to the Airport Commission for a two-year term (expiring May, 2022)

Ayes-7 Nays-0 Motion carried.

5. Discussion of and action on any other appropriate items-West asked for an update on a potential joint meeting with the Town of Farmington regarding items of shared interest. Buberl also commented on scheduling the annual joint Planning Commission meeting.

Krumenauer explained closed session procedures for virtual public participants.

Motion by Rose and seconded by Anderson to go in to into closed session at 8:17 p.m. pursuant to Wisconsin Statute §19.85(1)(e) for purposes of reviewing a letter or intent to purchase Village property

Roll call vote: Ayes-Anderson, Buberl, Burch, Gilliland, Rose, Schmidt, West Ayes-0 Motion carried.

Motion by West and seconded by Gilliland to come out of closed session at 8:55 p.m.

Roll call vote: Ayes-Anderson, Buberl, Burch, Gilliland, Rose, Schmidt, West Ayes-0 Motion carried.

The Board made no motions and took no official action.

Buberl adjourned the meeting at 8:56 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by:

Frances Duncanson, MMC-WCPC
Village Clerk