MINUTES FOR THE VILLAGE OF CERRO GORDO

MAY 21, 2012

7:00PM

The monthly meeting of the Board of Trustee met on May 21, 2012 at 7:00 pm at 231 East South Street. The following members were present: Mayor Brad Williams, Trustees Tim Allen, Dennis Ridgeway, Mick Tirpak, Dick Seitz, Mike Gross, and Mike Martin. Also present were Atty. Susan Nicholas, P.C. Pat Carter, D.P.W. Mark Blickensderfer, Treasurer Stacy Henderson, and Clerk Linda Ash.

The meeting was called to order and the public forum was held. E. Eads spoke about the new format for the Fathill website. She cannot access it on her computer because of the program she uses. It will be brought to the attention of the web master.

Consent Agenda

No additions to claims this month. Dick Seitz had a correction in the minutes. He voted no on West citation. Motion by Trustee Ridgeway to approve the consent agenda, second Allen, all yeas.

Water Adjustments

None for this month. Stacy has sent copies of the shut off list to water committee. There is one large bill on the list, that person had another leak and is not eligible for the adjustment.

Unfinished Business

- A. Codification of Ordinance. Wrapping up, may be ready by the June meeting.
- B. Mitigation Plan-table.
- C. Budget We added a line item for park maintenance for all 3 parks and will add \$1000 to that. Also leave Operating Supplies for PW at \$2000.00. Motion to approve the budget made by Trustee Gross, second Allen. Roll call: Trustees Allen, Ridgeway, Tirpak, Seitz, Gross, and Martin, all yeas.
- D. Pond Ordinance/Name. Ordinance #567-2012 is the pond ordinance and sets up guidelines for use of that pond. Motion to approve this ordinance made by Trustee Gross, second Ridgeway, all yeas. Resolution 30-2012 gives the pond the official name of Griswold Pond and the park, Veterans Park. Motion to do so made by Trustee Gross, second Allen, all yeas. Closing on the property is May 21, 2012.
- E. Pond Rip-rap. The pond will now have to be drained down to put in the rip-rap. The Village can wait until the drainage tile is in or the pond dries up a little. Since the project was not done on time, the board's safest method is to rebid the project based on the amount involved. There is also the possibility of agreeing to an extension or releasing Shambaugh from the contract. Table this until the next meeting and will then decide on extension or to rebid project.
- F. Water line agreement. Susan will take care of the agreement.

New Business

- A. Awarding drainage bids. Foth engineer has a letter of recommendation to award the drainage tile project to TNT. Motion to follow the recommendation with the intent to award the project to TNT for the drainage project was made by Trustee Gross, second Ridgeway. Roll call: Trustees Allen, Ridgeway, Seitz, Gross, and Martin, all yeas, Tirpak, nay.
- B. Increase in water/sewer rates. The last sewer increase was in 2003 and last water increase was 2007. The water committee met to discuss a solution to help fund these departments. Currently our rates are below the medium rates for communities our size. The committee is looking at a combined rate increase of 10%. That would place the Village in the medium with an average bill for a family of 4 around \$54.00 a month. Susan will draft an ordinance for the increase.

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- C. Special Use License for American Legion/SAL. Motion to move to liquor commission made by Trustee Seitz, second Gross, all yeas. The Am. Legion is applying for a special use permit to sell alcohol during the Fat Hill Fest on June 15 and 16th. Application has been reviewed by the attorney and is in order. Motion to approve permit made by Trustee Tirpak, second Allen, all yeas. Motion to return to regular session made by Trustee Ridgeway, second Allen, all yeas.
- D. Phone line from ambulance service. This phone line was paid by three departments, fire, police, and ambulance. The fire department has their own line, police has 911 for emergencies and ambulance is closed down. Cost is approximately \$600 a year. Motion by Trustee Tirpak to not pick up the service, second Martin, all yeas.
- E. School boulevard oil and chip. Trustee Tirpak wants to see the Village involvement limited to Monroe Street in front of the grade school. Our cost could be \$2800 or less. The consensus is that what helps the school helps the Village, especially in regards to that boulevard. The school will hire the contractor. Motion to approve the oil and chip in designated areas and not to exceed \$2000 was made by Trustee Allen, second Gross. Roll call: Trustees Allen, Ridgeway, Tirpak, Gross, Seitz, and Martin, all yeas.
- F. Engineering construction contract for SE Drainage Project-closed session.

Motion to move to closed session made at 8:07 by Trustee Ridgeway, second Allen, all yeas. Closed session for 120/2 C-1 personnel, and 120/2 C-11 litigation. Motion to return to regular session on a motion by Trustee Seitz, second Allen at 8:28 pm, all yeas.

After regular session began a motion was made by Trustee Martin to have the attorney send a letter to Foth Engineering firm to terminate our affiliation. Second by Gross, roll call: Trustees Allen, Ridgeway, Tirpak, Seitz, Gross, and Martin, all yeas.

Trustees Report

Martin-coin dispenser at bulk water plant not working. The cost is several thousand dollars to replace with a card system. One option would be to raise the bulk water rates to pay for the replacement.

Tirpak-wood gone from back of Timmerman's shed. Would like concrete in front of Mike Hyde's picked up.

Ridgeway-tree limb pickup is getting out of hand. The Village is not in the business of private tree removal. If a resident takes down a tree, they are responsible for the limb removal and clean-up. The Village will pick up storm damage, yard waste that is bagged, and some trimmings.

A motion was made to adjourn sine-die by Trustee Gross, second Ridgeway, all yeas. For the new fiscal year, all committees will remain the same.

No further business came before the board and a motion to adjourn was made by Trustee Ridgeway, second Gross, all yeas at 8:40 pm.

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