

MINUTES OF VILLAGE BOARD MEETING

July 25, 2016

The meeting of the Village Board of the Village of Slinger was called to order by President Brandt at the Slinger Municipal Building located at 300 Slinger Road, Slinger, WI, at 6:00 p.m. on Monday, July 25, 2016, in accordance with the Notice of Meeting delivered to the members on Friday, July 22, 2016.

1. Roll Call & Notice of Meeting:	<u>Present</u>	<u>Absent</u>
Russell Brandt, President	x	
Jeff Behrend	x	
Lee Fredericks		x (excused)
Rick Gundrum	x	
Rick Kohl	x	
Dean Otte	x	
Marlyss Thiel	x	
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Also Present: Jessi Balcom, Village Administrator
Margaret Wilber, Village Treasurer
Jim Haggerty, Village Engineer
Greg Moser, DPW Superintendent
Joel Schodron, Police Lieutenant
Tammy Tennes, Clerk

President Brandt informed the members present that the open meeting law had been complied with in connection with the meeting. Notice of the meeting was sent to all who requested same and posted in three public locations.

2. Consent Agenda

A. Approval of Minutes from 7-11-2016

B. Vouchers

C. Committee Reports: Police Report June 2016

Motion Kohl/Thiel to approve the Village Board minutes of 7-11-16, transmittal checks #44152 in the amount of \$230.77; pre-authorized checks #44153-44198 in the amount of \$659,486.12 and payroll checks #160715001-160715061 in the amount of \$52,534.53 presented. Motion passed.

3. Appearances & Possible Action Thereon:

A. Presentation by RA Smith – WIS 175 Traffic Study – Slinger Rd. to North of WIS 60

Mr. John Bruggeman, representing RA Smith, presented the results from the WIS 175 traffic study that he conducted. He discussed the traffic counts, safety evaluation, traffic signal warrants, future year intersection operational analysis and recommended improvements. Mr. Bruggeman stated that the warrants for a traffic signal were not met. He stated that roadway recommendations were to maintain the existing pavement width (48'), create a three lane two-way left-turn lane (TWLTL) and incorporate bike lanes.

Discussion was held that some of the Board would like a controlled intersection (traffic signal) at Glen Hill Dr. and WIS 175 (E. Washington St.), while others stated interest in having a crossing guard present or rectangular rapid flash beacons in that area. It was also noted that the crosswalks were painted with epoxy pavement markings earlier this year.

Mrs. Shannon Smith, 117 Oakview Dr. Slinger, WI, appeared before the Board with her concerns of a safe route to school for her children. Mrs. Smith stated that since bussing is not provided to those who live within a certain area of the school, she currently pays to have her children bussed to school because she believes it is unsafe to have her children cross the road at Glen Hill Dr. and WIS 175. She asked the Board if there were plans for bussing within the

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Village and the Board explained to her that bussing was a matter for the Slinger School District not the Village Board. Mrs. Smith stated she had spoken with the Slinger School District Superintendent concerning this matter, but would go back to him now that she was aware that the Village Board does not have the authority to make a decision on bussing within the Village. Mrs. Smith shared her concerns with the walking area along WIS 175 and Glen Hill Dr. and when asked by the Board if she would let her children walk to school if there was a controlled intersection, a crossing guard or the beckons, she stated no. Mrs. Smith stated that her first choice to get her children to school safely would be bussing.

It was noted that the Dynamic speed sign seems to be working. Engineer Haggerty noted that he is able to download data from that sign and the average speed has been around 33mph.

The Board asked that more information be provided before a decision is made. They asked that staff provide a cost for crossing guards, the rectangular rapid flashing beckons and a traffic signal for the Glen Hill Dr./ WIS 175 area.

B. Open for Public Comments:

4. Unfinished Business & Action Thereon:

A. Review Retaining Wall at 224 W. Washington St

Engineer Haggerty stated that in following up on the discussion about the retaining wall located at 224 W. Washington St., he found that within the Village there are over 80 retaining walls, along with steps and planting beds that are located in or near existing road rights of ways. He provided the Board with costs to remove and reconstruct the wall on private property along with removing the wall and re-grading the yard.

Discussion was held that reiterated that the documentation concerning this retaining wall stated that this wall was constructed two years after the WIS 175 project, thus not part of that project and there wasn't any backing for the Village's responsibility in this matter.

Motion Thiel/Gundrum to deny paying for any costs in regards to the retaining wall located at 224 W. Washington St. Motion passed (5-1, Otte opposed.)

B. Update Regarding Niphos Property– 308-310 Oak Street

Administrator Balcom stated that in regards to the Niphos property, staff has been in discussion with Washington County, who currently owns the property, about what the next best use is for that property. She mentioned that approximately \$25,000-\$30,000 of the \$40,000 allocated to the Village projects as a coalition Partner in the US Environmental Protection Agency Brownfield Grant that the County was awarded from the EPA, was used to perform testing and plan for remediation/reuse of the former Niphos property. Administrator Balcom stated that staff is waiting to hear from the County about the potential best reuse of the property by more accurately identifying the current state of the site and what, if any remediation or restrictions may be needed to have the site closed by the DNR. She noted that the Administrative Committee for the County will be looking at options for this site and staff will update the Board as information is provided by the County.

5. New Business & Action Thereon:

A. Resolutions: None

B. Licenses & Permits:

1. Class B Combination Liquor License for: Polanco Mexican Restaurant & Cantina – 1058 E Commerce Blvd (Former Sophia's location), Felipe Hopp Agent

Lieutenant Schodron informed the Board that no problems were discovered during the background check for this license.

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Motion Otte/Thiel to approve a Class B Combination Liquor License for Polanco Mexican Restaurant & Cantina - 1058 E Commerce Blvd., subject to all necessary fees being paid. Motion passed.

2. Class B Beer Liquor License for: Slinger Stinger's Baseball - 207 Polk St., Gavin Marlow Agent

Lieutenant Schodron informed the Board that no problems were discovered during the background check for this license.

Motion Behrend/Kohl to approve a Class B Beer Liquor License for Slinger Stinger's Baseball -207 Polk St., subject to all necessary fees being paid. Motion passed.

3. Bartender License for: Michelle Neu

Lieutenant Schodron informed the Board that no problems were discovered during the background check for this license.

Motion Thiel/Otte to approve bartender license for Michelle Neu, subject to all necessary fees being paid. Motion passed.

C. Review & Action:

1. Award Sewer Lining Contract

Engineer Haggerty stated that a total of 3 bids were received for the Sanitary Sewer Lining and Relay Contract. He stated that Heartland Construction was the lowest responsible bidder on this contract with a bid of \$168,637.50.

Engineer Haggerty stated that staff recommends awarding the contract to Heartland Construction in the amount of \$168,637.50 plus a contingency in the amount of \$16,862.5 (10%) for a total allocation not to exceed \$185,500.00.

Motion Otte/Behrend to award the Sanitary Sewer Lining and Relay Contract to Heartland Construction for a cost not to exceed \$185,500 as presented. Motion passed.

2. Review of Joint Use Agreement with Frontier Communications

Treasurer Wilber stated that this item is a housekeeping matter and nearly 36 years ago the Village entered into a Joint Use Agreement with then – existing General Telephone Company of Wisconsin (now Frontier) to provide for cooperative use of utility poles located within the Village. She stated that the terms of the agreement include an annual rental fee of \$4 per pole for each pole owned by Slinger Electric and used by Frontier and a rental fee of \$6 per pole for each pole owned by Frontier and used by Slinger Electric. Treasurer Wilber stated that since the rates are very outdated, staff attempted to obtain an increase, but was informed that the contract does not include any option for bringing the fees up to date. She noted that the Village Attorney provided a brief analysis of the contract to determine what the Village's options might be and he recommended exploring the possibility of using the Joint Use Committee to make amendments to the contract. It was noted that a Joint Use Committee was never set up. Treasurer Wilber stated that staff is not strongly focusing on this matter, yet would like to contact Frontier in an attempt to establish the Joint Use Committee and update the terms of this contract.

It was noted that the Board authorizes staff to contact Frontier in an attempt to establish the Joint Use Committee and update the terms of the contract.

6. Ordinances:

A. First Reading & Possible Action Thereon: None

B. Second Reading & Possible Action Thereon: None

C. Third Reading & Possible Action Thereon: None

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7. Communications & Possible Action Thereon:

President Brandt informed the Board that he had received a resignation letter from Larry Toraason on the Board of Appeals, so he asked the Board to let him know if they know of anyone who would like to service on that Board.

8. Staff Reports:

A. Engineer's Report – Dove Plaza Stormwater Project Cost Breakdown, Utility Update

Engineer Haggerty stated that the design cost for the Dove Plaza stormwater project exceeded the estimates due to the complexity and duration of obtaining the necessary permits from the DNR and DOT, yet the project still came in under budget.

Superintendent Moser stated that a pilot study testing a different phosphorus removal chemical concluded this week. He stated that early results are very encouraging and staff will continue to update the Board on the progress being made.

Superintendent Moser stated that Well #5 was put back into service after being pulled for a two month period of service. He stated that during that time Well #3 and #4 supplied all the water, both without iron removal systems, which resulted in rusty water complaints.

Superintendent Moser stated that staff has noticed a sharp rise in water usage and has been looking for a suspected leak/break in our system. He also noted that work will begin on the Lovers Lane Tower for scheduled interior painted and inspection.

Superintendent Moser stated that operator Hansen had a lab audit this week covering the bacteria testing that is done for the in house testing of the distribution system and swimming pond. He noted that no deficiencies were found.

Superintendent Moser also noted that Utility operators have been helping out DPW over the past few weeks.

B. Treasurer's Report – None

9. Closed Session –

Go Into Closed Session Pursuant to Authorization Conferred by WI Statute 19.85 1(e) – Deliberating or Negotiating the Purchasing of Public Properties, the Investing of Public Funds, or Conducting Other Specified Public Business, Whenever Competitive or Bargaining Reasons Require a Closed Session (Tax Increment District #4 recapture agreement, Hillside Terrace Phase 3).

Motion Kohl/Behrend to go into closed session at 7:07 p.m. to include Administrator Balcom, Engineer Haggerty and Treasurer Wilber. A roll call vote was taken on this motion with the following results: Yea's: Behrend, Brandt, Otte, Kohl, Gundrum, Thiel; Nay's: None. The motion passed unanimously.

10. Return Into Open Session & If Necessary Take Action on Closed Session Items

Motion Kohl/Behrend to return into open session at 7:12 p.m. A roll call vote was taken on this motion with the following results: Yea's: Brandt, Behrend, Thiel, Kohl, Gundrum, Otte; Nay's: None. The motion passed unanimously.

Motion Thiel/Behrend to direct staff to develop a recapture agreement for Hillside Terrace Phase 3 with a 50% increment over 16 years and a \$258,000 maximum. A roll call vote was taken on this motion with the following results: Yea's: Brandt, Behrend, Thiel, Kohl, Gundrum, Otte; Nay's: None. The motion passed unanimously.

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11. Adjourn Meeting

Motion Kohl/Gundrum to adjourn at 7:13p.m. Motion passed.

Approved By: _____
Russell Brandt, President

Drafted By: Tammy Tennes, Clerk