

VILLAGE OF FOOTVILLE

MEETING MINUTES

July 11, 2013

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees for the Village of Footville was called to order by the President, Gary Selck. The board members present were: John Harnack, Randy Baertschi, Nate Beal, and Chuck Hagmann. Ron Klusmeyer and Bill Case were not present.

Motion by Harnack was seconded by Baertschi to approve the minutes of the last meeting. Motion carried.

Motion by Hagmann, second by Beal to approve the vouchers as presented. Motion carried.

Motion by Harnack was seconded by Baertschi to approve the treasurer, water, and sheriff reports as presented. Motion carried.

Two temporary liquor license applications were presented to the Board for B'ners Bar, Inc. and Toe Town Tap, Inc. for a Poker Run on Saturday, July 13, 2013 11a.m.-2p.m. Patrons will be carded in the buildings and consume alcohol by the tables set up on the sidewalk. There will be barricades at the ends of the block to make motorists aware of the motorcycles and people. Motion by Harnack and second by Beal to approve the temporary liquor licenses as presented. All in favor; motion carried.

Board of Appeals Chairman Chuck Hagmann reported that the Board of Appeals approved two Zoning Variances at a public hearing held prior to the Board of Trustees meeting. One is for a 2nd outbuilding on the Joyce Feldt property at 441 Janesville Street, and one is for a deck extended as close to the road as the house is (within the 25' setback) at 322 W. Centre Street.

Village President Gary Selck presented appointments to fill two vacancies on the Board of Appeals; Kay Campbell as a regular, and Sandi Baertschi as an alternate. A motion was made by Hagmann to approve the appointments. Harnack seconded the motion and all voted in favor. Motion carried.

The Board was presented with a letter from Brian Benash of B'ners Bar, Inc. asking the Board to consider moving the two new Post Office parking stalls north so they are not in front of his business. Jeramie Mielke stated that the stalls are longer than before to accommodate accessible vehicles and pulling in and out. They are centered at the pole in front of the Post Office. A motion by Harnack was seconded by Baertschi to table the issue until the October board meeting when they will review it and find out whether it has caused hardship for the business.

A bid from ABD Property Maintenance was presented to the Board for lawn maintenance of the abandoned properties at 403 & 427 Galena Road and 306 Edward Street. Discussion was held that the 427 Galena Rd. lawn will take some extra work because of its condition, and also that contracting the work should be financially beneficial for the Village versus pulling the Public Works employees away from their other work and paying for the gas and wear on the equipment. Beal made a motion to hire the service for the next three weeks of mowing, and then it will be reviewed at the next Board meeting. The motion included the Board's request that the grass clippings get pulled off and hauled away on the first mowing and the stipulation that the lawns are not mowed more than once per week. The motion was seconded by Baertschi and all were in favor. Motion passed.

Discussion was held on the hazardous trees at 427 Galena Road. The certified letter sent to the homeowner was returned not picked up. Wanda Curry suggested reporting it as an ordinance violation. That would put it under the jurisdiction of the Rock County Sheriff's Department to serve notice. Then we could still take it down, but legal proceedings for collecting the costs would be underway. Curry also recommended conferring with the Village Attorney to be sure a pending court date wouldn't interfere with us taking down the trees. The trees are such a hazard, if they are not taken down soon they could fall and cause serious damage. In the meantime Jeramie Mielke will get some quotes from tree removers. It was also noted that the hazardous trees at 307 W. Centre will be taken down next week. A motion was made by Hagmann to table the topic until the August meeting to reconsider it pending the issuance of a citation and receiving bids on the removal. Motion was seconded by Baertschi. All in favor and motion carried.

Trustee Nate Beal informed the Board about the MDA Tub Run requesting to make Footville one of their stops in 2015. They need a committed approval from the Board by August 1. The stop would encompass Depot Street and also probably the two side streets for parking the 750-1500 motorcycles for 3-4 hours. Businesses and organizations can be vendors and typically return some of their profits to MDA. The Village would have to supply portable toilets and often the municipal officials help at the event. Harnack made a motion to approve the 2015 stop. Baertschi seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Brad Reents of MSA presented information from the seven bids the Village received on the Water Tower Repaint Project. Three options were presented for how much work would be included in the project. Reents' recommendation was to accept the low bid on Option #2 at a price of \$177,500.00. The contractor is LC United Painting Co., Inc. from Sterling Heights, MI. They have been working on other water towers in Wisconsin and have a good reputation.

Harnack made a motion to award the Water Tower Maintenance Project contract to LC United Painting Co., Inc. at the Option #2 level. Beal seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken as follows: Harnack – aye; Hagmann – aye; Baertschi – aye; Beal – aye. Trustees Case and Klusmeyer were absent. President Selck voted aye as a matter of record.

The Wisconsin State Trust Fund is funding the loan for the Water Tower Project. Resolution #2013-711 approves the borrowing of \$225,000 from the State Trust Fund at 2.75% interest, to be used solely to fund the Water Tower Maintenance Project. The rate will increase by .5% next week, so it had to be approved at this meeting in order to keep the lower rate. Resolution #2013-711 with its preamble was read in full by Trustee Chuck Hagmann. A motion was made by John Harnack to adopt the preamble and Resolution #2013-711. The motion was seconded by Randy Baertschi. A roll call vote was taken as follows: Harnack – aye; Hagmann – aye; Baertschi – aye; Beal – aye. Trustees Case and Klusmeyer were absent. President Selck voted aye as a matter of record.

Other matters of concern included:

- Beal pointed out that the Building Permit rate chart lists a fee of \$600 to move a building. Would a resident have to apply for this or any permit to move a storage shed to a different spot on their property? It has no foundation or electricity. The Clerk will ask the Building Inspector about this.
- An AIDS Network Bike Ride will come through the Village on Saturday, August 3 and gather at the park.
- Hagmann noted that some long-time residents are moving from the Village because of the high costs.
- Mielke asked if there had been any complaints on water quality problems, as he has been flushing the lines weekly. No one had heard any complaints.

A motion was made by Hagmann to adjourn the meeting. Second by Harnack. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Submitted by:
Julie Gerke, Village Clerk

Revised July 22, 2013