

VILLAGE OF TOLONO
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
OCTOBER 20, 2015

The Regular Board Meeting of the Village of Tolono was held on October 20, 2015 and was called to order at 6:30 pm. Present were Board President Jeff Holt, Trustee Rena Anderson, Trustee Rob Murphy, Trustee Ryan Perry, Trustee Mike Golish and Trustee Jacquie Miller. Clerk Dixie Phillips was absent.

The President led the Board and guests in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Board heard comments from the public:

Ann Haluzak explained that she feels that some citizens are not following the leaf burning Ordinance. She also thinks that coyotes can be lived with and that an organized shoot is unnecessary.

Jacqueline Thompson stated that she does not support a coyote hunt and that she appreciates the Village listening to the public about the issue.

Ben Rink appeared expressing concern about the Village working in its right-of-way in his yard without giving notice ahead of time.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT:

Bill Dawkins gave an update on the Public Works Department. There is a delay on the delivery of water meters. He said that there are a lot of tree roots in the drainage line at Larmon and Second Streets. DJ Stewart had used a video in the line.

Trustee Perry confirmed that there was no further information for October road patching or the new truck.

Motion by Trustee Perry to adopt an Ordinance approving GPS Policy with an effective date of November 9, 2015. Second by Trustee Golish. Motion carried.

REPORTS

There was an engineering update on the North Calhoun storm sewer extension project.

Motion by Trustee Golish to approve final pay request #6 for \$221,208.43 payable from TIF Bond Funds. Second by Trustee Perry. Roll call vote: Anderson-yes, Murphy-yes, Golish-yes, Perry-yes, Miller-yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Trustee Murphy to approve contractor final quantity change order #4 for \$2,578.90. Second by Trustee Anderson. Roll call vote: Murphy-yes, Golish-yes, Perry-yes, Miller-yes, Anderson-yes. Motion carried.

The engineer commented on some other drainage issues having reviewed the video taken by DJ Stewart.

Engineer Tim LaRocque gave an update on the 800 N. Culvert Replacement Project.

Motion by Trustee Golish to approve a \$4,000.00 bid by Illiana Construction to oil and chip the road going over the project and authorize the Village Board President to spend up to an additional \$3,000.00 to have the base prepped by another contractor. Second by Trustee Perry. Roll call vote: Golish-yes, Perry-yes, Miller-yes, Anderson-yes, Murphy-yes. Motion carried.

The engineer discussed the need for a guardrail at the 800 N. Culvert Replacement Project. He stated that a guardrail is not required by IDOT guidelines but it is within the Board's authority to install one.

Motion by Trustee Golish to authorize the installation of a guardrail in an amount not to exceed \$3,000.00. Second by Trustee Murphy. Roll call vote: Perry-yes, Miller-yes, Anderson-yes, Murphy-yes, Golish-yes. Motion carried.

There was discussion about installing sod instead of seed for drainage works at Walnut Street. The engineers will secure a price for sod and it will be considered at the next meeting.

The engineers explained that they are waiting on a callback from the railroad about tree trimming and issues at the Holden Crossing.

The NPDES renewal permit is in progress but should be finished in advance of the December deadline.

The Zoning Administrator confirmed that some variances will eventually get to the Board in the next couple of months.

Motion by Trustee Perry to approve the board minutes from October 6, 2015. Second by Trustee Anderson. The motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

The Board heard from the Auditor regarding the final audit.

Motion by Trustee Anderson to approve the final audit for the year ending April 30, 2015. Second by Trustee Perry. Roll call vote: Miller-yes, Anderson-yes, Murphy-yes, Golish-yes, Perry-yes. Motion carried.

Trustee Anderson explained that she has some Treasurer applications to review.

President Holt explained that he is reviewing Trustee applications.

Trustee Murphy explained that it is difficult to get cost effective solutions for the dump cameras. There was consensus to remove the item from the agenda.

Trustee Anderson gave a report concerning the coyote issue. She read an email from Jeff Revell supporting a coyote program. The Board polled itself and a majority did not support a coyote hunt. There was consensus to remove the item from future agendas.

Trustee Golish reported that there was no news on a leaf vacuum.

NEW BUSINESS:

Attorney Marc Miller passed out materials showcasing the Village of Fisher town hall built in the past few years. There was discussion about how the old firehouse could be replaced with a new building or possibly rehabilitated. The Zoning Administration and the Building Official are to look at the property and come up with a footprint for the property.

Trustee Golish would like to add to the agenda the discussion about contribution to the retirement fund.

The Board discussed truck routes. Attorney Marc Miller handed out a draft Ordinance recommending that the Village prohibit large trucks Village wide but then define specific routes where they are allowed. Trustee Murphy will review and propose routes for the entire Village.

There was consensus that discussion about an SUV truck for the Police Department and status of residents meeting yard requirements will be on the next meeting agenda.

Motion by Trustee Perry to enter into Executive Session for the limited purposes of discussing the performance, compensation and/or employment of one or more Village employees. Second by Trustee Golish. Roll call vote: Anderson-yes, Murphy-yes, Golish-yes, Perry-yes, Miller-yes. Motion carried. The Board entered into Executive Session at 8:33 pm.

The Board returned to Open Session at 9:40 pm

Motion by Trustee Perry to adjourn. Second by Trustee Anderson. Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 9:40pm.

Respectively submitted,
Marc R. Miller – Village attorney