



BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS AND SAFETY MEETING MINUTES

CITY HALL CHAMBERS

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 21, 2015

9:30 A.M

Present: Mayor Vanlandingham, Board member Dee Byerly, Board member Greg Metz and City Attorney Doug Lehman.

Department Heads/Employees present: Wendy Frazier, Todd Titus, Rick Price, Fire Chief Robert Mullett, Police Chief Larry Schnepf, Scott Richardson, Tony Bowman and Rick Price.

Council members: Doug Konkle, Bonnie Corn and Jim Wenrich

MINUTES

Greg Metz moved to approve the Minutes of the meeting of January 7, 2015 as were presented. Dee Byerly seconded the motion, motion carried.

CITY CLAIMS-SEWAGE CLAIMS

Dee Byerly moved to pay the City Claims and Sewage Claims as they were presented and signed. Mayor Vanlandingham seconded the motion, motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Update on 7 Elmwood Drive- John Stephens, Building Commissioner
John Stephens indicated that the asbestos report has been completed and there's no asbestos in the house. The next step, with your (the Board) approval, is to send a ten day notice. In the meantime, he will be working with Rick trying to get the water out of the basement. There's an outside access to the basement and hoping we can get the water pumped out.

Greg Metz asked if the water had been tested; the answer was "yes" and the water is ok. There's nothing to prevent it from going through the wastewater treatment plant.

Attorney Lehman indicated he had had a call from Kristina Lynn's office. (Her husband was in a car accident yesterday so she will not here today.) Her secretary gave Attorney Lehman the impression that there was very little to report. He (Lehman) told the secretary that he anticipated the Board would be moving forward and probably issue the ten-day notice to demolish after ten days and that we would proceed to demolish but there would be ten days before anything was done but it could go anytime shortly thereafter." She said she would relay that to Kristina and that's about all he (Lehman) knows.

Attorney Lehman spoke with Rick Price today and suggested he call Kristina and make arrangements to go out and get it pumped out before the end of the ten day notice while the

weather is still good. If Kristina's client all of a sudden decides she's going to do something and can convince us she's going to, pumping that out will benefit her and making us wait for another ten days when it all may be frozen over again is not going to benefit her in any way. Hopefully, Rick can get authority from Kristina to go out before the ten days have expired and get it pumped out. Then, when the ten days expire and whenever the contractor can get out there to demolish it. There has been some interest expressed in the real estate.

Dee Byerly asked if the roof is fixed. John Stephens replied "no".

Greg Metz moved to send out the ten-day notice and proceed with demolition. Dee Byerly seconded; motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Skate Park-John Stephens, Building Commissioner

John explained that they were trying to file with FEMA to get the skate park removed from the flood plain based on constructed fill when the YMCA was built. It's approximately 99.8% out of flood plain but it has to be 100%. The only portion in the flood plain is where the sidewalk was placed in the wrong location. Evidently, after they put the fill in, they redid the sidewalk along Carroll Street and put it over on the property instead of the right-of-way. John indicated he prepared a right-of-way dedication to dedicate 6 feet off the East side of the property so the sidewalk will be completely within the street right-of-way. In fact, that takes everything out of the flood plain and I can proceed with an application to FEMA.

Attorney Lehman indicated that this went before the Park Board last Wednesday and received approval, recommending us (BOW) and the City council that the dedication, as part of the right-of-way, be granted. If you (BOW) recommend it, it will go to the City council at its next meeting, next week, for them to pass an Ordinance dedicating it to the City as right-of-way.

Dee Byerly moved to proceed with Resolution No. 1, 2015 for the right-of-way along Carroll Street by the skate park and that request would go to City Council to be approved by them. Greg Metz seconded the motion, motion carried.

2. New Hire-Street Department-Scott Richardson-Street Commissioner

Scott Richardson introduced Tony Bowman as the new mechanic for the Street Department. He is going to take over the shop and Nathan wanted to go back as a general laborer. Tony comes with lots of experience.

OTHER BUSINESS

None

QUESTIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE

None

REPORTS FROM DEPARTMENTS

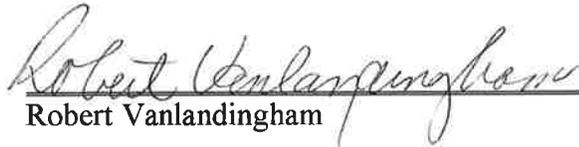
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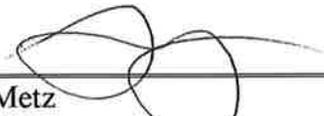
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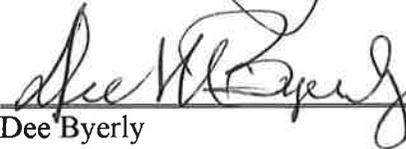
Mayor Vanlandingham moved to adjourn. Greg Metz seconded. So moved.

NEXT MEETING

Wednesday, February 4, 2015, @ 9: 30 a.m.


Robert Vanlandingham Mayor


Greg Metz Member


Dee Byerly Member

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