

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE VILLAGE OF BEECHER, BOARD OF TRUSTEES
TO BE HELD AT THE WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP CENTER, 30200 TOWN CENTER DRIVE,
BEECHER, ILLINOIS AT 7:00 P.M. ON TUESDAY, JULY 11, 2006.**

AGENDA

- I. PLEDGE TO THE FLAG
- II. ROLL CALL
- III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING
- IV. VILLAGE CLERK REPORT
- V. RECOGNITION OF AUDIENCE

A. FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE

- 1. TREASURER'S REPORT
- 2. APPROVAL OF BILLS
- 3. AT+T PROJECT LIGHTSPEED UPDATE. The Mayor's Caucus has made progress in negotiating a standard agreement with AT+T for this new video service and a progress report is enclosed for your review. We are being asked not to take any action with AT+T at this time.

B. PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

- 1. POLICE DEPARTMENT MONTHLY REPORT for June is enclosed for your review.
- 2. RESULTS OF FOURTH OF JULY SECURITY EFFORTS will be presented by the Chief of Police at the meeting.
- 3. RESULTS OF 7/6/06 TREE BOARD MEETING. The Board met to approve a list of trees to be removed and trimmed and to discuss the proposed tree board ordinance drafted by the Village Attorney.
- 4. CONSIDER AN ORDINANCE REGULATING TREES IN VILLAGE RIGHTS OF WAY AND ON PRIVATE PROPERTY. Enclosed is an ordinance drafted by the Village Attorney and under review by the Tree Board. This ordinance will be discussed further at the meeting with a possible vote either at this meeting or at a future meeting.

C. STREETS AND ALLEYS COMMITTEE

- 1. MFT ROAD PROJECT UPDATE. Enclosed are spreadsheets of all streets targeted for resurfacing by the

Village Engineer. The project is estimated to be \$67,703 over budget due to the addition of Miller St. from Oak Park to Gould. The bids will be let with a base bid of Dunbar, Melrose, Orchard east, Maxwell alley, Oak Park Avenue and Miller Street west for a total of \$365,389.50. The alternates will be the base bid plus will be Pasadena from Maxwell to the creek, Prairie alley, and Miller Street east for a total of \$447,703.60. We need to open these bids on July 19th and see where we stand. The Board will then have to decide if we do all the streets and take from the General Fund or just do the base bid. \$380,000 is available for this project. This will all be presented at the next meeting.

2. VILLAGE ENGINEER REPORTS:

- a. Doug Short/Cleary drainage issue
- b. Princess alley storm sewer to be installed by public works (Tom Owens)
- c. \$365,000 grant to improve Reed St. from Penfield to Hodges (Lou Haussemann)

3. TREE TRIMMING/REMOVAL PROGRAM will begin this week and be completed by Labor Day. The list was provided at the last meeting.

4. REPORT OF THE PUBLIC WORKS SUPT.

D. SEWER AND WATER COMMITTEE

1. WATER DEPARTMENT MONTHLY REPORT is enclosed for your review.

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3. WATER BILLING REGISTER is enclosed for your review.

4. VILLAGE ENGINEER STATUS REPORTS on the following projects will be provided at the meeting:

- a. TRIM CREEK RELIEF SEWER RESTORATION (Chuck Schultz concerns)
- b. MEADOW LANE WATERMAIN RESTORATIONS - driveway by Koenning's has ponding water.
- c. WELL #5 DRILLING
- d. AREA #1 SANITARY SEWER REHAB WORK (status of flowing tile at Krabbe's)
- e. AREA #2 SANITARY SEWER CLEANING, TELEVISIONING AND EVALUATION
- f. DUNBAR AND MILLER STREET WATERMAIN REPLACEMENT

5. DISCUSSION ON THE FUTURE OF VACANT PUBLIC WORKS POSITION. Jerry Conley has left Beecher Public Works for Park Forest. Matt Conner will be moved from parks to the public works department until this position is filled. Bill Waterman will remain with parks. The question is when and how to fill this position. The Village currently does not have personnel who desire to obtain water and sewer licenses which was our plan with Jerry. Do we want to pursue a licensed water operator or someone willing to obtain a license? Do we want a parks employee? Do we wish to remain with the current staff of a Supt., one wastewater operator, one foreman, three maintenance workers, one part-time maintenance worker and one

part-time parks employee? The starting pay for the open position is \$27,741 which is currently in the budget.

6. CONSIDER AUTHORIZING THE VILLAGE ATTORNEY TO DRAFT AN ORDINANCE CHANGING THE NOTIFICATION PROCEDURES FOR PAYMENT OF DELINQUENT WATER BILLS. For the last 25 years the police have delivered 48 hour shut off notices but the ordinance states that such notification be made by certified mail. A resident has challenged our notification procedure based on the wording of the Village Code which is enclosed. Staff wishes to change this wording to allow for notification by the police department which is more effective and expedient. The Village President and Clerk can explain this issue in more detail at the meeting.

7. CONSIDER BID AWARD: DUNBAR/MILLER WATERMAIN REPLACEMENT. Two bids were received and opened: M+J Underground in the amount of \$105,174 for Dunbar and \$179,691 for both Miller and Dunbar, Professional Excavation in the amount of \$82,448 for Dunbar and \$148,829 for both Dunbar and Miller. The Baxter and Woodman estimates are \$93,274 for Dunbar and \$164,814 for both Dunbar and Miller. The Village budgeted a total of \$164,000 for both projects. A recommendation on the bid award will be made at the meeting after a qualification process.

8. CONSIDER A PROPOSAL IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,200 TO DETERMINE IF THE 200 KW GENERATOR CAN BE REPAIRED FOR SERVICE. Enclosed is a proposal from Metro Power to examine whether it would be cost effective to repair the 200 KW generator we have obtained from the military. Action on this matter is at the discretion of the Board.

E. PUBLIC BUILDINGS AND PROPERTIES, PARKS AND RECREATION

1. FIREMEN'S PARK UPDATE

2. CONSIDER A PROPOSAL FROM BAXTER AND WOODMAN TO COMPLETE A TOPO AND SITE GRADING PLAN FOR 5.5 ACRE PUBLIC WORKS FACILITY SITE. The Village engineer has been asked to provide a proposal for Board consideration at the meeting so we can get going on this project. Ray should have one for the meeting.

3. MUNICIPAL FACILITIES UPDATE. We need to decide how much money we wish to spend on this facility. About \$400,000 has been set aside for this project but we may need about \$500,000. The Board needs to decide the spending level before we proceed with any more planning. The spending level will determine all other decisions. We would target a May 1, 2007 start date with completion by April 30, 2008. We would build on the east half of the property and leave the west half for future Village use. This would give us a 2.94 acre public works site and 2.15 acre site for future uses.

F. PLANNING, BUILDING AND ZONING COMMITTEE

1. CONSIDER RECOMMENDATION FROM THE PLAN COMMISSION: REQUEST FOR R-1 ZONING UPON ANNEXATION: PRAIRIE MEADOWS SUBDIVISION LOCATED AT THE SOUTH

END OF WOODWARD AND SOUTHFIELD DRIVES. Chuck Bruti purchased this 27 acre piece but was unable to purchase the remaining 73 acres on the east side of the creek commonly known as the Heldt farm. He now wishes to annex to the Village and abide by the new R-1 zoning requirements. This would allow for 42 single family lots having a minimum size of 11,250 square feet. If he does not get annexed, he plans to build 20 lots on well and septic in the County. The Village Attorney has written the enclosed opinion that the Village may have the right to block access to Woodward and Southfield Drive if traffic safety can be well documented. Please read this letter. This may have to be interpreted by court and would not be an issue with Will County's approval process. Access to Route #1 is not possible since Mr. Bruti did not purchase the eastern portion of the parcel. The Village has already received petitions from residents on Woodward and Southfield asking the Village to block this development since Woodward would be the only access point for heavy construction trucks and future residential traffic. Staff is also concerned about the length of the dead end street from Indiana Avenue south for 3/4 mile. This is an example of poor planning allowing such a long street with limited access. However, the Village may be faced with 42 lots to our R-1 standards or 20 one acre lots on well and septic in the County with no Village control or at least a court fight over road access. We could enter into an agreement requiring the posting of a cash escrow for 27% of the bridge cost so when the remainder of the Heldt farm develops a portion of the cost is provided. Bruti would also be required to pay the Village's \$33,000 in impact fees. Please see the enclosed site plan.

The Plan Commission, after a one hour public hearing in which several residents testified as to their concerns with damage to local roads from construction, increased traffic and lack of emergency access due to the length of the roadway, recommended approval of the site plan on the condition that a secondary access be provided to Dixie Highway. Whether or not the Village annexes this property, action is required on the request for R-1 zoning. If the Village wishes to not annex this property, then staff recommends that it deny the site plan based on construction traffic and lack of emergency access. Please see the enclosed material.

2. SUBDIVISION ISSUES UPDATE. The Village Engineer will update the Board on the following issues of concern which have surfaced in the past month:
 - a. KNUTH STRIP MALL DRAINAGE PLAN
 - b. MGM DEVELOPMENT: BRIDGE RAILS, LIFT STATION INSTALLATION, AND CONDITION OF DITCHES ALONG THE NORTH SIDE OF INDIANA AVENUE
 - c. PRAIRIE POINTE NORTH RETENTION POND HOLDING WATER DUE TO RESTRICTER PIPE PROBLEMS OR ELEVATION ISSUE (please see the enclosed letters. Mr. Fry from the Homeowner's Association may be in attendance and wishes to address the Board on this issue.)
 - d. HUNTERS CHASE WEST PONDS FAILURE TO DRAIN
 - e. PEDESTRIAN CROSSING LIGHTS AT CHURCH AND DIXIE (LITTON)
 - f. MONTALBANO WET BOTTOM PONDS DRAINING BELOW LOW WATER LEVEL AND

DRAINS TO UNDERSIZED 6" PIPE AT RIETVELDS

- g. KNUTH MINI-WAREHOUSE DETENTION POND - WHEN DO THEY GO IN?
- h. FINAL LIFT NEEDED IN REST OF ORIGINAL HUNTER'S CHASE
- i. HUNTER'S CHASE EAST - HOLDING PERMITS UNTIL DESIGN IS APPROVED AND HARD SURFACE ROADS PROVIDED
- j. RECAPTURE REQUESTED BY LOTTON FROM MONTALBANO FOR OVERSIZING SEWERS AND WATERMAIN

3. CONSIDER AUTHORIZING THE VILLAGE ATTORNEY TO DRAFT AN ORDINANCE GRANTING AN ENCROACHMENT CERTIFICATE OR VACATION TO FOR 645 WOODWARD STREET. The garage at this address encroaches on the Village right of way entering Firemen's Park from Woodward Street on Hodges. The homeowner wishes to sell and cannot get clean title to the property due to this encroachment. There is also a 50' lot to the south which the homeowner wishes to sell to a builder for a new home, creating a 42.5 foot lot for the existing home. There has also been variances to plats of survey in this area of up to five feet depending on which benchmark is used for the survey. The Village Attorney must be asked to investigate this situation to determine the appropriate action.

4. CONSIDER AN ORDINANCE INCREASING SUBCONTRACTOR LICENSE FEES FROM \$75 TO \$100. The Village has been charging \$100 for several years for this license but it was brought to our attention that the ordinance only states \$75 for such a license. It is possible that the Village Board authorized this fee several years ago but somehow an ordinance was never approved to change the Village Code. This ordinance will correct this problem.

5. CONSIDER AUTHORIZING THE VILLAGE ATTORNEY TO DRAFT AN ORDINANCE INCREASING FEES FOR LAND USE APPLICATIONS, ANNEXATIONS, REZONING, PLATS OF SUBDIVISION AND VARIANCES. Enclosed is a draft ordinance prepared by Don Thomas for review by the Board. The ordinance is similar to what is being used by the Village of Frankfort. Please review this ordinance and give the Attorney some guidance.

G. VILLAGE PRESIDENT REPORT

1. CONSIDER A RESOLUTION REJECTING MEMBERSHIP IN ALNAC. The enclosed resolution was presented by the Will County and the Will County Governmental League and discussed at the last meeting.

2. THIRD AIRPORT UPDATE. Chris Cochran and Scott Burkhardt have left IDOT. The Third Airport office is basically doing nothing at this point but maintaining the property that has been purchased. Despite what is being said in the press, airport development is years away without sincere State involvement.

3. VILLAGE PRESIDENT APPOINTMENTS. Last month, a 30 day extension of the existing appointments was granted. This extension expires at this meeting. Either new appointments have to be made or another 30 day extension granted. Enclosed is a listing of appointments that need to be made.