

Village of Howards Grove
Public Hearing and Board Meeting Minutes for March 17, 2020
approved

1. **Public Hearing Discussion for College Ave:** Public hearing started at 6:00pm in the Village Hall. 10 electors. Nancy Sixel asked if the County sales tax was used to help fund the project. Keith Wieland asked about sump pump matters that were stated in a letter to residents at the beginning of the project. He also wanted to know if the Village checked up on these. It will go to committee to review his questions and concerns. Another resident asked about the flat fee for the storm sewer lateral that is charged. This charge was charged to the properties that received a new storm lateral connection. Another question was asked about the project being under warranty specifically the manhole covers, as those had to be done again. Public Works Director Ryan Welsing stated that it is warrantied for a year after the completion. Adjourned the public hearing at 6:21pm.

- I. **Call to Order:** Meeting was called to order at 6:22pm in the Village Hall.
- II. **Verification of Meeting Duly Noticed and Roll Call:** It was stated that the meeting was verified and duly noticed. Roll Call: Present were President Plass, Trustee's Hudson, Osby, Meyer, Heili, Kriete, Public Works Director Ryan Welsing and Clerk Christan Brandt. Absent Trustee Kunze.
- III. **Approval of Prior Meeting Minutes:** Motion to approve February 11 and February 26,2020 meeting minutes as written made by Trustee Osby, seconded by Trustee Hudson. Carried.
- IV. **Public Comments and Correspondence:** None
- V. **Discussion/Action on precautions the Village is taking due to the COVID-19:** Motion to close the public facilities such as Community Center, Park shelters and restrooms through the end of May made by Trustee Osby, seconded by Trustee Hudson. Carried.
- VI. **Discussion/Action on property for 1003 S Wisconsin Dr request by owner for land exchange:** It was determined that the Village does not have the need for the back use of the land and that who knows what the future would hold for the use of the land next to the hall. Motion to decline the offer to exchange property at 1003 Wisconsin Dr. made by Trustee Osby, seconded by Trustee Hudson. Carried.
- VII. **Discuss/Approve to Combine Lots 4, 5, & 6 into two lots in Pigeon River Meadows Subdivision on Audubon Road owner Gordon Veldboom Jr:** Trustee Heili stated that the Planning Commission met and reviewed the CSM. The lots are small and would be better combined. There were a few provisions that would need to be done per the engineer's report. Motion to approve contingent upon corrections to meet all of Kapurs requirements for the CSM and the storm sewer made by Trustee Heili, seconded by Trustee Kriete. Carried.
- VIII. **Approve Resolution 2020-2 Final Assessment of College Ave:** Motion to approve the College Ave Resolution made by Trustee Heili, seconded by Trustee Osby. Carried.
- IX. **Approval/denial of temp picnic license for the Howards Grove Education Foundation on March 27,2020:** Motion to approve made by Trustee Hudson, seconded by Trustee Meyer. Carried.
- X. **Discuss/Approve the amendment of Ordinance 415-76 for the maximum height restrictions on accessory buildings:** Discussion on the concerns regarding the height requirements but to many unanswered questions to make an informed decision. Trustee Heili will speak to Don from Kapur on height restriction's and we will discuss at one of the next meetings.

- XI. Approve/Appoint Harley Abler to the Planning Commission :** Motion to approve the appointment of Harley Abler to the Planning Commission made by Trustee Hudson, seconded by Trustee Kriete. Carried.
- XII. Discuss/Approve/Deny Annual Fireworks :** President Plass stated that since this seems to be an annual form of contention he would like to see about putting it on as a referendum and let the voters decide. We already have it in the budget for this year but going forward he thinks it would be best. This will be looked into to see if we can add this to an election.
- XIII. Discuss dates and notifications for yard waste and branch pick up:** Plass wanted to review this as it is getting warmer out and more people may be at home right now. Branches is the first week in April. Yard waste dumpsters are available for residents to use. No curbside pickup in the spring, this is done in the fall only. You can go on the website and Facebook for more information.
- XIV. Discussion on work in progress spreadsheet for action items:** Items that are being worked on were updated for their progress and/ or completion.
- XV. Village and Sanitary Utility Vouchers:** Motion to approve the vouchers and issue checks dated February 14, February 27 to March 13, 2020 made by Trustee Hudson, seconded by Trustee Osby. Carried.
- XVI. Adjournment:** Motion to adjourn at 7:41pm made by Trustee Hudson, seconded by Trustee Osby. Carried.

Approved: April 21, 2020

Christan Brandt
Clerk Treasurer