



The Village of Walnut Creek Council met in Regular Session, February 27th, 2019, 7:30pm, at 103 Village Drive.

PRESENT:

Mayor Pro-Tem - Greg Ricker
Councilman - John Seegars
Councilwoman - Cyndi Dupuy
Councilman - Pete Benton

Admin/Chief - Robert Parchman
Clerk – Peggy Page
Attorney - Phillip Baddour

Also, in attendance:

Stoney Sloan
Dan & Sue Blackshear
Patrick Phillips
Alan Johnson
Carl Mofield

Mayor Pro Tem Greg Ricker called the meeting to order and Andrew Daniels led the Pledge of Allegiance. Mayor Pro Tem Greg Ricker provided the opening prayer.

Consent Agenda:

The minutes and financials for January 2019 were presented. Mayor Pro Tem Ricker briefly went over the financials and commented on FEMA Income/Expenses and Property Tax Collection. Councilman Benton made a motion with a second by John Seegars the minutes and financials be approved as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

Public Comment Period:

Dan Blackshear – 104 Point Shore Drive is concerned nothing is happening with the Hinnant property on Point Shore Dr.

Patrick Phillips – 114 Deerborn – Concerned about the depth of the drainage ditch in from of his new lot. Kids are 3 and 1 years old and he’s afraid they will fall in the ditch. Mr. Phillips would like the Village to fill in the ditch. Mr. Phillips mentioned the financial report looked good and the Village should be able to afford the fill in.

Council Comments:

Mayor Pro Tem Ricker responded about the comment the Village being in a surplus financial position. The FEMA money for the spillway repair along with multiple budget years being in play may give the appearance in the current year there is a financial surplus, however, in previous years there were liabilities due to expenses not reimbursed. Payments received from FEMA in this budget year are simply reimbursement from prior year paid expenses.

Administrator/Chief of Police Report:

Administrator/Chief Parchman advised all paperwork requested had been sent to finish up the Hurricane Matthew FEMA claim, the Village is just waiting on the final payment. Paperwork is also being submitted for Hurricane Florence as received and requested.

Administrator/Chief Parchman stated he had not spoken with Mr. Hinnant regarding status of his lot on Point Shore Dr. Stoney Sloan, Planning Board Chairman, spoke up and said he had spoken with Mr. Hinnant and provided an update. The state Mitigation Report had been turned in to the state on 2-7-19 and the state has 30 days to reply to Mr. Hinnant. If approved Mr. Hinnant can clear the lot. At this time no plan of action on the lots has been submitted to the Village.

Administrator/Chief Parchman presented the monthly police report reviewing the stats for the month. The report is available in the office for review.

Administrator/Chief Parchman and Mr. Phillips talked about why the ditch was so deep. Engineer wanted the ditch deeper but kept it at current depth. Mayor Pro Tem Ricker asked the question if the ditch was filled in how many drop inlets would have to be installed for the ditch to drain properly? Also, Mayor Pro Tem Ricker stated the Village was not going to grade the property beyond the right of way. Mr. Phillips stated he would like to see the Engineer Drawings for the ditch. Administrator/Chief Parchman advised the drawing are available at the Village Office.

Clerk's Report:

Clerk Page reported on the Water and Sewer collection for prior quarter billing. All accounts are paid at this time. Clerk Page also advised we collected approximately \$700 in late fees and \$500 in re-connect fees this past billing period.

Committee Reports:

Mayor Pro-Tem Ricker- Water & Sewer, Lake Committee, and Audit:

Mayor Pro-Tem Ricker requested the police keep a close watch when the paving begins.

Councilwoman Dupuy- Village Owned Property and Village Relation:

Councilwoman Dupuy mentioned the patchwork on the front entrance and the dam were completed and the paving hopefully would begin very soon weather permitting.

Councilwoman Dupuy announced the date for the Village Picnic would be April 27th, 2019. A time has not been set yet.

Councilman Benton-Cable TV, Trash & Recycling and Planning Board:

Councilman Benton reported he received some good reports regarding Suddenlink. Also, the Planning Board met February 13, 2019 and had an organizational meeting. Stoney Sloan spoke regarding the planning board meeting. On the advice of the Council Attorney, Phil Baddour, an election was held. Stoney Sloan was elected Chairman, Craig Bowen was elected Vice Chairman and Parks and Rec along with Leslie Hatch. Meeting will be monthly on the 3rd Tuesday at 6:30. The next meeting will be March 19, 2019. When the planning board met the final member was appointed, Jennifer Moye. The full board approved the appointment.

Mr. Sloan spoke about the discrepancies in ordinances vs. restrictive covenants. Each member of the planning committee has a section of the village to review on the ordinances and covenants and will be reporting back to the committee. The committee is also working on a road map.

Stoney Sloan presented Resident Sign recommendations to the council. Copy attached.

Councilman Seegars-Lake Committee, Insurance and Audit Committee

Councilman Seegars advised he met with Jim Clough of the Lake Committee and Stoney Sloan of the Planning Board about structures in the lake. Some structures are OK, and some structures are not. Mayor Pro Tem Ricker gave the history on why some structures are in the lake. At one time the Village was under drought restrictions and residents could pull water from the lake for irrigation. The Village water system was not to be used for that purpose. The council is looking to the lake committee and planning board for guidance with irrigation. Steps, irrigation systems and bridges are being looked at also. Council Attorney Baddour advised the Village owns the lake and it's up to the Village to What will be allowed.

Old Business:

None

New Business:

A motion was made by Councilman Pete Benton for Jennifer Moye to be appointed to the Planning Board. Councilman John Seegars seconded the motion, the motion passed unanimously.


Announcements & Correspondence: None

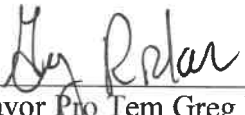
Closed Session:

A motion was made by Councilman Pete Benton and seconded by John Seegars to enter a closed session to protect Client/Attorney privileges. The motion passed unanimously.

Adjournment:

There being no further business after the closed session, Councilman Pete Benton made a motion to adjourn with a second from Cyndi Dupuy, the motion passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned.


Clerk, Peggy C. Page


Mayor Pro Tem Greg Ricker