

REGULAR MEETING OF THE KIMBERLY VILLAGE BOARD

NOVEMBER 16, 2009

President Kuen called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Members present for roll call were Trustees Gaffney, Hammen, Hruzek, Opsteen, Trentlage, Weber and President Kuen. Also present were one citizen and Nick Vandehey, engineer with McMahan.

Trustee Hammen moved, Trentlage seconded the motion to adjourn into a Committee of the Whole for the purpose of holding a public hearing regarding the 2010 Operating Budget. The motion carried by unanimous vote of the Board.

President Kuen voiced his thoughts on the budget, and thanked the team members of the Village who rose to the occasion to develop a final budget which addressed the needs of the community in a time of financial hardship, and be a part of the solution. For the select few that failed to see the need to be team players he shared his disappointment. He was still uncomfortable with a few issues. He remained strongly opposed to the action taken last week to cease all commercial refuse collection. The issue of removing poly carts from apartments above businesses was the main issue. It will take action to revisit. He further recommended two items; send only half of the Board to conferences in off election years, and reduce the Community Band budget from \$4,800 to \$3,000.

President Kuen also asked that beginning next year, perhaps looking at having our libraries only alternating days is an option. More consolidation of services and reduced capital projects may be options to reduce costs going forward.

Trustee Trentlage said she was disheartened when the lighting of the Arboretum was cut, but it will move forward as she has volunteers to help maintain the program.

There was a discussion on the equity and operational issue of commercial refuse collection, and poly cart use.

The Board discussed having a budget workshop next year to really get familiar with the budget and department managers requests and move forward with budget preparation in a more educated fashion.

Trustee Trentlage moved, Hammen seconded the motion to reconvene into open session per the posted Agenda. The motion carried by unanimous vote of the Board.

President Kuen moved, Weber seconded the motion to approve Ordinance Number 2, Series of 2009, an ordinance adopting the 2010 Operating Budget for the Village of Kimberly, with Village Board expense reduced by \$2,900, and Band expense reduced by \$1,800, with the difference transferred to the Operating Contingency Fund, and establishing the 2009 tax rate for Village purposes at \$2,994,234. The motion carried by unanimous vote of the Board.

Trustee Opsteen moved, Trentlage seconded the motion to approve the Intermunicipal Agreement with the Village of Combined Locks for the Cortland Court Joint Stormwater Pond. It was noted that the existing pond is being purchased by the joint communities, and the purchase price is based on the cost per foot of the property from U. S. Oil Company. The motion carried by unanimous vote of the Board.

Trustee Hammen moved, Trentlage seconded the motion to award the contract for the Cortland Court Joint Stormwater Pond to J & E Construction Co., Inc. in the amount of \$279,785.90. The motion carried by unanimous vote of the Board. Administrator Hermus noted that if the stimulus funding is not received, this contract can be cancelled. Verbiage was included in the bid document to that effect.

Trustee Trentlage moved, Hammen seconded the motion to approve the transfer of \$107,900 from the Unreserved Surplus for the purpose of poly carts for the curb side collection of recyclables. The motion carried by unanimous roll-call vote of the Board.

Trustee Weber moved, Trentlage seconded the motion to approve the agent change for Roundy's Pick'n Save on Maes Avenue to John R. Braunreiter of Appleton. The motion carried by unanimous vote of the Board.

Trustee Hruzek brought up the commercial refuse collection. There was a long discussion on how to bring the issue back. After some discussion, Trustee Hruzek moved, Weber seconded the motion to reconsider Resolution Number 26, Series of 2009, a resolution eliminating commercial refuse collection in the Village of Kimberly. The motion carried by majority vote the Board, with Trustees Hammen and Opsteen dissenting. It was requested that Trustee Hruzek bring back a resolution containing his intention with the commercial refuse collection for a subsequent committee of the whole, and Administrator Hermus was asked to find the policy which stated that we would cease commercial refuse collection for new businesses and businesses which changed ownership.

Administrator Hermus announced that there will be no meeting on November 23rd, however there may be a meeting on November 30th based on need.

Trustee Gaffney moved, Hammen seconded the motion to adjourn. The motion carried by unanimous vote of the Board.

Rick J. Hermus
Administrator/Clerk