

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE OF THE KIMBERLY VILLAGE BOARD

MARCH 29, 2010

President Kuen called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Members present for roll call were Trustees Gaffney, Hammen, Hruzek, Opsteen, Trentlage and President Kuen. Absent and excused was Trustee Weber. Also present was Attorney Charles Koehler and two citizens.

Administrator Hermus explained the changes made to the Floodplain Zoning Ordinance, and the direction received from the Wisconsin DNR on the issue. Because the ordinance was updated in 2006, we are only updating a few areas to incorporate the new FEMA maps, and to include the new Wisconsin State Statutes that apply to the zoning code. A public hearing has been set and published for April 5th, at which time the ordinance can be officially adopted.

The street paving schedule has been established by Vinton Construction Company, the apparent low bidder on the project. The contract will be awarded on April 5th. Based on the award, the schedule for First Street starts when school gets out for the summer, and ends before school begins the fall semester. Better Way is being coordinated with U. S. Oil and their building contractor, and will be an aggressive schedule to accommodate their needs.

Administrator Hermus shared the information he received at the meeting with Outagamie County Highway Department and the Town of Buchanan regarding County Highway CE and Eisenhower Drive. The preferred solution to the traffic problems is two round-a-bouts at CE/Eisenhower, and Eisenhower/Van Roy Road. There may also now be a local share due to the amount of work being done on Eisenhower Drive entering the Kimberly Business Park. It was noted that triple lane round-a-bouts are being built in several locations along the Highway 41 corridor, including Breezewood Lane in Neenah. The use of two round-a-bouts in close proximity is very feasible engineering wise, but may require public education to navigate the area. It was noted that the funding is not resolved yet, as Administrator Hermus does not believe Kimberly should have to participate as our traffic lanes are currently providing adequate traffic movement and are only being changed because of the round-a-bout. Finally, it was noted that funding for this is not established, and is a major issue with the project. The County is confident that they can receive federal and/or state funding based on the accidents at the intersection, and 2012 is a very aggressive schedule. When the final choice is determined, the plans can be prepared and shelved until funding is available.

Finally, Administrator Hermus was told if our right-in/right-out from Cobblestone to CE is installed, the right turn lane traveling west on CE at Eisenhower could be eliminated. This will also reduce costs, and reduce the impact on the credit union.

President Kuen noted that he and Administrator Hermus attended the meeting with Class "B" license holders and the Police Department regarding the smoking ban and beer garden ordinance. The participants appreciated the Q & A session, and it created an open line of communication between the PD and local business establishments.

Gary Valentyne noted that traffic turning West on Lamers Road and Kimberly Avenue have difficulty with the parking allowed on both streets so close to the intersection. It forces cars to cross the center line to get around the parked cars. The PD will look into the issue.

Trustee Hammen moved, Trentlage seconded the motion to adjourn into Closed Session per the posted Agenda. The motion carried by unanimous vote of the Board.

Trustee Hammen moved, Hruzek seconded the motion to reconvene into Open Session per the posted Agenda. The motion carried by unanimous vote of the Board.

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

Rick J. Hermus
Administrator/Clerk