

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE OF THE KIMBERLY VILLAGE BOARD

JUNE 15, 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 Community Enrichment Director Schaefer, Street Commissioner Vander Velden, Engineer Werner and two residents.

The Committee conducted a village tour of various projects in the community.

The Sunset Park Detention Pond was visited. Engineer Werner explained the report received from RVT regarding the possibility of a leak in the pond liner. If there is a leak, it appears to be in the same location as the previous leak. This was determined by the monitoring wells, water level fluctuations in the wells, and the sulfides found. The options to address the problem were reviewed. The Board will discuss this issue further in the future. It was generally agreed to take a wait and see approach regarding the pond depth and determine if it loses water during the dry summer months.

The Sunset Park Road Project was toured. MCC started working on the punch list today as could be seen by newly seeded areas. The drainage swale from Sunset Drive down the hill is washing away. This may be replaced with either a solid pipe all the way down the hill, or asphaltting the swale. The drainage swale near the main lower parking lot will be asphalted to the trail as this is also washing away due to the volume of water it takes. President Kuen broached the subject of some type of surveillance cameras, either real or mock, to curb the cars driving on the lawn areas.

The Amphitheater proposed parking area was visited. C.E.D. Schaefer informed the Board that he and Administrator Hermus discussed this recently and feel the project may not be necessary. Based on current parking trends, this area will not be used by Amphitheater patrons. It will also not be large enough for a tent pad for Paperfest. It was felt that the project should be placed on hold, and the funds placed in the reserve account. In the future, the possibility of a larger shelter to serve Paperfest and other events could be built in the area, and these funds could serve as a base for the project. It will take an effort on behalf of several groups to see a shelter project come to be, as our finances could not afford it alone.

Several street projects were toured due to the proliferation of pop-outs in the pavement in the last year. Papermaker Drive was paved last year and has significant surface imperfections. James Street was paved in 1996, and showed signs of old pop-outs, and some fresh. While it was noted that the contractor has asked that we wait a couple of years to see what happens to the pavement, it was noted that 13 year old street are experiencing pop-outs. The curb-driveway apron offsets were also noted. While the contractor puts the apron ½ inch higher on purpose to allow for settling, many did not settle this past winter. Whether or not they will in the future is unknown.

The Riverview Heights Pond (joint pond in Combined Locks) was visited. The Board was surprised by the vegetation and trees in the area. The project scope was described. Acquisition of the property is being handled by Combined Locks, with the owner willing to work with the community, but not willing to give the property away. As the project moves forward, the Board will be kept informed.

As the Board proceeded, the entrance sign at Washington and Third Street was noted. The drawing of the Centennial Sign was in the packets for their review. We are considering this project in anticipation of the 2010 Centennial of the community. The old signs are outdated and in poor shape, and would be removed. The centennial signs would remain up for a few years, and then replaced with new signs chosen by the community.

The tire storage area at U. S. Oil was toured. The tires are no longer stacked outside, as the racks were visible and empty.

Kennedy Avenue was toured to witness the parking issue. There were some cars parked on Kennedy Avenue, but not a great deal. It was easy to traverse the area. It was noted that if parking is removed from one side, it will allow traffic to move faster through the area. However, it was questioned if this is really the intent. With cars parked on both sides, it slows traffic down, which is actually a good thing in a busy area. Again, this was compared to Kimberly Avenue during soccer games, when the avenue is parked full, there are lots of kids around, and the traffic slows. The congested area actually has a calming effect on traffic.

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

Rick J. Hermus
Administrator/Clerk