

**VILLAGE OF COAL VALLEY
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR VILLAGE BOARD MEETING
WEDNESDAY September 16, 2015**

**Held September 16, 2015 at 7:00 pm, in the Board Chambers in Village Hall,
Coal Valley, Illinois**

I. Call to Order

The regular meeting of the Village Board was called to order at 7:00 pm by Village President Emil Maslanka.

II. Roll Call

Present: Dale Keppy, Emil Maslanka, Mike Bartels, Dave Timmons, Bruce Crowe, Kathy Cornish
Absent: Dick Stone

III. Establishment of a Quorum

Quorum present.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Others present at the meeting were: Allen May - Village Administrator, Ryan Hamerlinck – Director of Streets and Parks, Penny Woods – Assistant Village Administrator and Mark Poulos - Chief of Police.

IV. Reading and Approval of Minutes

A Motion was made by Dave Timmons to approve the minutes for the September 2, 2015, Village Board meeting. Bruce Crowe seconded, all ayes motion was carried.

V. Comments from the public

None

VI. Reports from the President and Other Officers (on matters not otherwise appearing on the Agenda)

Mayor Maslanka stated that he has received the administrators evaluation back from a few of the trustees and wanted to remind the others to get that complete this week.

The mayor also stated that he will not be in attendance for the next meeting.

Dale Keppy said that he spoke with Jeff Norton from The Rock regarding the sign for the previous Jack and Jill store and they both agreed that the area would look better without the sign. Both Mr. Norton and Mr. Keppy are not aware who owns the property on which the sign stands. Mr. May stated that he has previously heard that the property owner is not in favor of taking the sign down, but he will look further into it. Ryan Hamerlinck stated that when the sidewalk was put in that it was right on the Village right of way. Mr. Hamerlinck thinks that the sign is on private property. Mr. May stated that he will

investigate to see if there are any agreements made that contain information regarding sign.

Bruce Crowe stated that he was not pleased with the way that Asplundh Tree Service cut the tree in his yard to make room for the power lines. He said that the tree was cut in a way that looked bad, so he had the service remove the tree, less the stump. Mr. Crowe explained that the trees can be trimmed differently then what they are doing.

Allen May stated that the market study is moving ahead and the design people were at the Village this week and their representatives were scoping out the area. Mr. May met with the representatives and relayed some ideas to them. Dave Timmons would like to hear the feedback once information is available.

Ryan Hamerlinck passed out a picture of the water main break that he worked on first thing this morning (September 16, 2015). The water main break was at 100-200 block of East and West 1st Avenue and was caused by flushing hydrants. Mr. Hamerlinck pulled the boil order samples and the results will be back Friday.

Penny Woods stated that the Web Guild sent a draft after the last Village Board meeting and she sent back areas that needed editing. Mrs. Woods will let the Board know when the new website is scheduled to go live.

VII. Unfinished Business

Discuss Map Areas for No Parking Signs on Side of Streets With Fire Hydrants –

Allen May explained that Ryan Hamerlinck put together a map of the streets that would contain the “no parking on this side of street” signs with color coated dots to show the placement of the signs. Mr. May said that the current ordinance does not state to enforce the parking signs, so if the Board decided to go with the parking signs they would need to be added to the ordinance.

Kathy Cornish asked if there have been recent complaints on the parking in the Village and what Mr. Hamerlinck would suggest. Mr. Hamerlinck stated that he likes the concept of the idea, but does not think it is necessary. Mr. Hamerlinck said to add all the signs he would have to purchase or reuse approximately 20 new signs and take three days. Chief Poulos said that there was one incidence that he knows of where a car was in the way of a fire truck and got hit.

Mayor Maslanka stated that a decision needs to be made if the trustees want to add the new signs, add the ordinance to include all signs or remove all non-parking signs that are not included in the ordinance. Mr. Bartels stated that now that he can see the mapped areas he would like to drive around and look at the areas before he makes a decision.

VIII. New Business

Present Distinguished Service Award to Officer Paul Whitenack–

Chief Poulos presented Officer Whitenack with a Distinguished Service award for his efforts during the house fire on East 2nd Street. Chief Poulos stated that Officer

Whitenack went into a window and directed the resident outside to a safe place. The Chief and Mayor expressed their gratitude.

Present Distinguished Service Award to Brandon Hoskins-

Mr. Hoskins was also one of the people who directed the resident, of the house fire on East 2nd Avenue, out of the house to a safe place. Chief Poulos presented the award to Mr. Hoskins relatives on his behalf.

Present Certificate Letter of Commendation Awards to Wade and Caleb Agro –

Chief Poulos presented the Argo's an award for helping the fire department with hoses and directing vehicles during the house fire on East 2nd Street.

Approve Pay Estimate #1 for Walter Laud \$99,019.54 MFT Funds –

Mr. May explained that this is for the work done on East 6th Street and East 9th Avenue. Mike Bartels made a motion to accept the pay estimate for Walter Laud in the amount of \$99,019.54 using MFT funds. Bruce Crowe seconded, roll call: Dale Keppy, aye; Mike Bartels, aye; Dave Timmons, aye; Bruce Crowe, aye; Kathy Cornish, aye. Motion passed.

Approve Pay Balancing Change Order for Walter Laud \$1,905.35 MFT Funds –

Mr. May stated that this is for the same project and it is for the contractor correcting the quantity of street improvements, not listed but shown on the plans. Mike Bartels made a motion to approve the balancing change order for Walter Laud in the amount of \$1,905.35 of MFT funds. Dale Keppy Seconded, roll call: Dale Keppy, aye; Mike Bartels, aye; Dave Timmons, aye; Bruce Crowe, aye; Kathy Cornish, aye. Motion passed

Approve Pay Estimate #2 & Final Pay Out for Walter Laud \$2020.81 –

Mr. May explained that this would be the final payment for the project and also paid for by MFT fund. Mike Bartels made a motion to approve the final pay out for Walter Laud in the amount of \$2,020.81 paid by MFT funds. Kathy Cornish seconded, roll call: Dale Keppy, aye; Mike Bartels, aye; Dave Timmons, aye; Bruce Crowe, aye; Kathy Cornish, aye. Motion passed

Approve to bid Non-MFT Work for East 5th Street and East 22nd Ave –

Mr. May stated that this is for the bid change order for the additional work that is needed on East 5th Street and East 22nd Avenue. The funding needed for the project is \$28,369.50 with the breakdown being \$14,500 and \$13,800. Ryan Hamerlinck stated that the project would include paving both the roads and the parking lot of East 19th Avenue Stanley Engstrom Park. Mike Bartels asked if the parking lot would be striped for parking. Mr. Hamerlinck stated that striping the parking lot can be done as well. Mr. Hamerlinck stated that paving these roads would also help with snowplowing and mail delivery in the winter months. Kathy Cornish made a motion to approve the non-MFT work for East 5th Street and East 22nd Avenue paving for \$28,369.50. Bruce Crowe

seconded, roll call: Dale Keppy, aye; Mike Bartels, aye; Dave Timmons, aye; Bruce Crowe, aye; Kathy Cornish, aye. Motion passed

Discuss Consolidating Committee of the Whole & the Regular Board Meeting into One Meeting –

Mr. May suggested putting both meetings together and discussing the topics and then voting on them after the discussion. This would make for more efficient use of time and encourage more discussion. Mr. May suggested 6:00 pm for a start time for the meetings. Kathy Cornish said that she thinks it is a great idea and all for time efficiency. All Board members agreed that they liked the idea, and also they would like is getting packet materials earlier in the week.

Approve Adopting a General Issuing Change Order –

Mr. May did some research on the way other communities in the area handle change orders. He found out that Rock Island has purchasing categories, where the directors can issue change orders. Rock Island has a very lengthy process. Moline change orders are to be approved by the City Engineer, City Administrator and Public Works director if the project is less than \$100,000 they can approve less than \$20,000. If the project is greater than \$100,000 they can approve 10% or the lesser of \$50,000 prior to getting Board approval. Mr. May is looking into adopting the same aspect.

Mr. May is identifying here that the only way a project can have an approval for a change order is if both the Mayor and Administrator will review the change and both have to agree upon the change order. Mr. Keppy does not want change orders to become habitual. Mayor Maslanka explained that there are situations where there are unforeseen circumstances that will occur and a change order is needed. Mayor Maslanka explained that it can be more expensive to delay the project and the contractor gets pulled off the job and has to come back. Mike Bartels is in favor of a policy for change orders with his experience. Discussion held. Mike Bartels made a motion to approve adopting the general policy issuing a change order for a maximum amount of \$15,000 without approval from the Board. Dale Keppy seconded, roll call: Dale Keppy, aye; Mike Bartels, aye; Dave Timmons, aye; Bruce Crowe, aye; Kathy Cornish, aye. All ayes motion passed

Approve Bid for Garage Doors-

Tony Fairchild explained that he has two bids for garage doors for the police garage, one from Raynor and the other from Lawrence Doors. Mr. Fairchild would like to use Lawrence Doors as he has used them in the past and they are a local company. Kathy Cornish made a motion to approve the bid for garage doors for the police garage for \$5,295.00 from Lawrence Doors. Dale Keppy seconded, roll call: Dale Keppy, aye; Mike Bartels, aye; Dave Timmons, aye; Bruce Crowe, aye; Kathy Cornish, aye. All ayes motion passed

Review and Approval of the Bills

Bruce Crowe asked if all the information is being used in Bee Hive. Mr. May stated that he and Mr. Hamerlinck use the software multiple times a week. Dave Timmons made a

motion to accept the payment of the bills at \$40,834.38. Bruce Crowe seconded, roll call: Dale Keppy, aye; Mike Bartels, aye; Dave Timmons, aye; Bruce Crowe, aye; Kathy Cornish, aye. All ayes motion passed

IX. For the Good of the Village – 6 Minute Public Comments

Dale Keppy made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Bruce Crowe seconded, all ayes motion was carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:26 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Amber Dennis
Village Clerk