

Village of Pleasant Hill Board of Public Affairs
Regular Meeting

February 17, 2014

The Village of Pleasant Hill Board of Public Affairs met in regular session on February 17, 2014. President Stan Fessler called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. Roll call: Stan Fessler-present; Kory Krofft-present; and Von Fessler-present. Others present: Jeff Derksen, Service Superintendent and Karl Marko, Jr., Fiscal Officer. Residents in attendance were Mr. Jeff Baker, 206 West North Street and Mr. Tanner Howell, 111 Court Street.

Kory moved to approve the January 20, 2014 regular Board of Public Affairs meeting minutes as revised by adding permission to the first paragraph under citizens' concerns. Von seconded the motion. Roll Call: Kory-yea, Von-yea and Stan-yea. All yeas. Motion carried.

Citizens Concerns:

Mr. Baker addressed the Board and was asking that the Village reimburse him for the cost of renting a track hoe to dig up his yard for repairing his frozen water lines. He was told by Mr. Derksen, Service Superintendent that the problem was on his property and therefore he is responsible for fixing it. After not being able to find a problem with the water line on his property, it was determined that the problem was the water main in the street and that is the responsibility of the Village. It was the consensus of the Board that it was the Villages problem and that Mr. Baker should not have had to sustain the expense of digging up his yard. Mr. Marko stated that since the amount is only \$240.40 that he would write Mr. Baker a check from the water operating fund and reimburse him for his expense. (Note for the record; Mr. Baker was reimbursed on February 19, 2014.)

Mr. Howell's water main in the street was also frozen and he was without water for approximately 10 days. He was told that he should keep the water running to keep it from freezing again. He was at the meeting to get assurance from the Board that he would not be charged for letting his water run to keep the main from freezing again. Mr. Marko stated that he would make sure that anyone that is letting their water run during this cold spell would not be assessed for the additional water. In Mr. Howell's case, since he just moved in this property within the last few months and no history has been established, the Village will only charge him for the minimum usage.

Both gentlemen thanked the Board for their help and left the meeting.

Superintendent's Update:

Village Superintendent, Jeff Derksen reported to the Board that we have had six water services that have frozen over the last few weeks. One on North Street was unthawed and the property owner failed to let the water run and froze again. He also said that he has posted throughout the Village requesting that folks leave their water run to keep additional services from freezing. This was also posted to our website. There is still one property that has a frozen water main in the street. Unfortunately, the water line and gas line are in the same trench. He would prefer that we not dig this up and let the line thaw out naturally as temperatures rise. The resident is not living full-time in the home and only stops in a couple times during the week. Jeff thought that if we offered him a discount on his utilities, that he might accept our offer and not make us dig around the gas line. After some discussion, Von moved to authorize the utility billing clerk to bill Mr. Travis Lowry the minimum for water and sewer for the next 6 billing cycles for his cooperation on this matter and for the inconveniences that might cause him. In his motion he also stipulated that his actual consumption could not exceed the highest usage from the

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previous year. Kory seconded the motion. Roll call: Stan-yea; Kory-yea; and Von-yea. All yeas. Motion carried.

Village Office Update:

Village Fiscal Officer, Karl Marko informed the Board that Council had approved the contract for the State Route 48 Reconstruction Project – Phase II project. Shinn Bros., Inc. was awarded the contract with a low bid of \$1,255,000.00. This is the same contractor who accomplished Phase I of the project two years ago.

Old Business:

None

New Business:

None

Bills:

Kory moved to approve payment of January bills and acknowledged presentation and review of the January 2014 Bank Reconciliation including the Fund Status Report, Revenue Summary for Water and Sewer Related Funds, Appropriation Summary for Water and Sewer Related Funds, Payment Summaries for Water and Sewer Related Funds and the Fund Summary for Water and Sewer Related Funds. Von seconded the motion. Roll Call: Von-yea; Kory-yea; and Stan-yea. All yeas. Motion carried.

Kory moved to adjourn the regular meeting. Stan seconded the motion. Roll Call: Stan-yea; Kory-yea; and Von-yea. All yeas. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

President: Stanley Fessler

Karl Marko, Jr., Fiscal Officer