

FREDONIA VILLAGE BOARD MEETING

April 17, 2008

Present: Joe Short, Jill Bertram, Fritz Buchholtz, Don Dohrwardt, Chuck Lopicola, and Larry Waskiewicz. Also present: Allen Neumann, Laura Logan, Sean Kellar, and Jo Ann Wagner. Arriving later: Bill Hamm and Gary Buntrock.

Public Hearing on Proposed Changes to Hard Surfacing Requirements for Loading Docks

The public hearing on the proposed changes to the Village of Fredonia Code of Ordinances pertaining to hard surfacing requirements for loading dock areas was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Short. No comments were received.

Close of Public Hearing and Call to Order of Regular Village Board Meeting

The public hearing was closed and the regular village board meeting was called to order.

Pledge of Allegiance

All stood and recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Swear in Village Trustees

Jill Bertram, Don Dohrwardt, and Chuck Lopicola were sworn in as village trustees.

Approve Minutes

Minutes of the April 3, 2008, village board meeting were approved as presented on a **MOTION** by Lopicola, seconded by Buchholtz, and carried.

Approve Payment of Bills

With the additional list presented, the General Fund, Water, and Sewer bills were approved for payment on a **MOTION** by Lopicola, seconded by Dohrwardt, and carried. It was noted that the Paape Electric bill is part of the shared hall project and will be part of the village hall loan.

March Treasurer and Utility Reports

The March Treasurer and Utility reports were approved as presented on a **MOTION** by Dohrwardt, seconded by Lopicola, and carried. (Hamm arrived.)

Use of Fireman's Park – Cub Scout Pack #3877

Use of Fireman's Park by Cub Scout Pack #3877 on May 4, 2008, was approved on a **MOTION** by Waskiewicz, seconded by Lopicola, and carried. (Buntrock arrived)

Open Session – Citizen Comments

Sean Kellar, 316 South Milwaukee Street, stated that there is a lot of truck traffic on South Milwaukee Street. He was not sure if this is a truck route sign problem or what. His understanding is that the approved truck route does not include South Milwaukee Street from Fredonia Avenue to Park Avenue. Short stated that they will check into the need for additional truck route signs. Neumann stated that two truck route signs are posted on Meadowlark Road and three are on South Milwaukee Street. Letters were sent to all businesses when the truck route was changed. However, truck drivers like controlled intersections. Neumann felt the truck route was advisory. Kellar suggested that a weight limit be added to the first block on South Milwaukee Street. This could be enforced.

Kellar's second concern is a "quality of life" issue regarding the amount of speeding on South Milwaukee Street. He suggested that the village marshal provide more patrol on South Milwaukee Street instead of on Hwy. 57 at Airport Road and Meadowlark Road. Short stated that the village marshal has been instructed to patrol on Hwy. 57 as the state has noted that if too many accidents happen at the intersection of Hwy. 57 and Martin Drive, no left hand turns will be allowed from the west at that intersection. Kellar noted

that the same vehicles speed by every day and questioned how many speeding tickets have been issued on South Milwaukee Street. Waskiewicz noted that South Milwaukee Street is also a street that is being patrolled.

Bill Hamm apologized for missing the public hearing, but commented that the board needs to carefully consider any changes to the hard surfacing requirements in the industrial park as the village has required existing businesses to comply with the current ordinance.

Unfinished Business

Waskiewicz noted the following unfinished items and requested an update at the next meeting

- DPW / EMS Privacy Officer position
- Ohana letter – should be reviewed and acted upon by Public Safety or Personnel
- Copies of Email and letters from village personnel to Fredonia Fire Fighter / EMS Association to be placed into meeting packet information to become part of meeting minutes.
- Village audit and what departments are audited.

Waskiewicz also noted that the village spent \$720.78 on attorney fees to obtain information for an association regarding signage. This is one way the village supports the organization.

Report from Plan Commission – April 14, 2008

The Plan Commission approved a sign for 100 Martin Drive and approved a conditional use permit for Laura Logan for three additional storage buildings at 117 Meadowlark Road. Logan will submit site plans and erosion control plans at the next Plan Commission meeting.

Additional Structures on Property at 117 Meadowlark Road

A **MOTION** was made by Waskiewicz, seconded by Dohrwardt, to approve the additional buildings on the property at 117 Meadowlark Road as indicated on the plan, specifically Building 10, 11 and 12. Short noted that Logan still has to go back to the Plan Commission for approval of erosion control plans and site plans before a building permit will be issued. Motion carried.

Report from Architectural Control Board – April 2, 2008

The Architectural Control Board approved an addition onto a shed at 215 Lawrence Street contingent on the Board of Appeals granting a variance, approved two additional storage buildings (No. 10 and 11) at 117 Meadowlark Road, approved a new home at 364 North Milwaukee Street and recommended a change to village ordinance to allow Dryvit (Exterior Insulation and Finish Systems (EIFS)). Lapicola noted that he has taken a building course that specifically told them to exclude this type of finish as it looks “tacky” after a short period of time. A **MOTION** was made by Dohrwardt, seconded by Lapicola, to refer this back to the Architectural Control Board for additional data supporting their recommendation to allow EIFS.

Ordinance No. 2008-03 Revising Hard Surfacing Requirements for Loading Docks

A **MOTION** was made by Dohrwardt, seconded by Waskiewicz, to adopt Ordinance No. 2008-03 revising the hard surfacing requirements for loading docks and amending the definition of loading area. Dohrwardt stated that the Plan Commission investigated and came up with findings of fact to support this change. Our current ordinance has a few “gray” areas that need to be clarified. The proposed ordinance gives the Plan Commission the ability to interpret and apply the ordinance for the benefit of the village. Waskiewicz disagreed. He stated he was very knowledgeable regarding loading docks and found the wording “in exchange for other consideration” obtrusive. He questioned how the “benefit” to the village would be determined and where would it stop. Dohrwardt stated that it would go as far as was reasonable as determined by a competent board – the Plan Commission. The Plan Commission pointed out a weakness in our ordinance and it is being portrayed as being done for a specific business. The village needs to do what is best for the environment and this ordinance would allow some

flexibility. After more discussion a vote was taken on the motion with Dohrwardt and Buchholtz voting aye, Waskiewicz, Lopicola, and Short voting nay, and Bertram abstaining. Motion failed. Dohrwardt questioned if the board would agree with something more defined. Waskiewicz stated that he did not want anything saying “beneficial” to village. Dohrwardt noted that when the Village of Fredonia becomes a permitted community per NR 216 we will pay for every foot of hard surface areas in the village.

Shared Hall Committee – April 7, 2008

The internal components of the shared hall should be completed May 9, 2008. Finishing the parking lot and pavement will depend on the weather. The committee discussed a digital sign and are in the process of obtaining prices. A Builders Risk policy has been obtained for the building. Furniture layouts have been reviewed and will be discussed again at the next meeting. Change orders have been issued for wiring, smoke detectors and phone systems.

Parks Committee – April 8, 2008

The Parks Committee discussed Celebrate Fredonia and has planned a fish boil for Friday night and a pig roast for Saturday. Horseshoes will be on Friday and volleyball on Saturday. They accepted the cooler donated by the Lion’s Club. Cotton candy and ice cream will be sold each day. Renting of tents was discussed and additional prices will be obtained. The Friday night and Saturday afternoon bands have been procured. Playground structures and a walk through of village parks will be scheduled for the next meeting. The Garden Club does not want to help with the fish boil, but Holy Cross will. If additional help is needed, we may need to involve five groups. The committee would like to have the ambulance on stand by for the event.

Keys for Village Trustees

A **MOTION** was made by Waskiewicz, seconded by Short, to provide each village trustee with a set of keys for entry to every municipal building. Discussion followed on access to buildings, cost, Homeland Security and privacy issues. Motion carried with Dohrwardt opposed.

Committee Appointments

Committee appointments were approved as presented on a **MOTION** by Dohrwardt, seconded by Lopicola, and carried.

Department Reports on Operations of Village

FIRE CHIEF: The report from the fire chief was reviewed and discussed.

VILLAGE MARSHAL: The report from the Village Marshal was reviewed. Waskiewicz will be discussing the phone system with him.

WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT MANAGER: The report from the Wastewater Treatment Plant Manager was reviewed. Buntrock noted that the flow is up. During the recent rains clear water was entering the system. Some residents have sump pumps running into the sanitary sewer. The Water and Sewer Committee will meet to discuss this issue.

DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS: The report from the Director of Public Works was reviewed. Neumann reported that the Martin Drive excavation has started, with tracking pads added at both ends.

CLERK-TREASURER: The report from the Clerk-Treasurer was reviewed.

Correspondence

Correspondence received and reviewed include:

- Ozaukee County Board agenda for April 16, 2008.
- Floodplain and Shoreland management Notes – Winter 2008.
- Recycling grant award for 2009.

Short noted that Deputy Clerk-Treasurer Doris Dommer has received the Wisconsin Municipal Clerks certification and congratulated her for her success and accomplishments.

Board of Review

The Board of Review is scheduled for June 25, 2008, from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. Open Book is scheduled for June 2, 2008.

The meeting adjourned at 9:10 p.m. on a **MOTION** by Waskiewicz, seconded by Buchholtz, and carried.