

VILLAGE OF ST. JACOB
213 N DOUGLAS
PRESIDENT & BOARD OF TRUSTEES
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 03, 2009
REGULAR MEETING #09-21

- I. The Regular meeting of the Board was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Mayor Raymond Muniz.

ROLL CALL: Present: Mayor Ray Muniz
Trustee Ken Miller
Trustee Jared Reilson
Trustee Laura Meyer
Trustee Hank Robards
Clerk Dawn Miller
Tim Biggins
Absent: Trustee Ryan Junker
Trustee Tim Thompson
Mike Muniz
Chief Larry Morietta

II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

1. Trustee Meyer moved to accept the agenda. Trustee Miller seconded the motion. Voice vote, 4 ayes, motion carried.
2. Trustee Meyer moved to accept the minutes. Trustee Miller seconded the motion. Voice vote, 4 ayes, motion carried.

III. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES:

A. MAYOR'S REPORT:

1. Mayor Muniz reported that the Mill Pond now has a plaque and a bench. Tom Kaminski said that he worked on the light for the flag and he thinks we may need to get another light.
2. Mayor Muniz said he still plans to do some type of presentation for Alex.
3. The Chamber breakfast is set for January 21, 2009.

B. COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT: MEYER

1. Holiday Kickoff is December 11, 2009. We will need volunteers.
2. We will be stuffing stockings on Thursday December 10, 2009. We won't have the chorus. We will just have to play music.
3. The art teacher at the grade school is out for a while so we are unsure if we will have the posters or not. We took the supplies to them in hopes they can get them done.
4. Trustee Meyer handed out a proof sheet for the thank you posters for the Movie in the Park Sponsors. Trustee Meyer made a motion to let Highland Printers print the same amount of thank you's as last year. Trustee Reilson second the motion. Voice vote, 4 ayes, motion carried.

C. WATER & SEWER COMMITTEE – REILSON:

1. Mayor Muniz stated that he has the letter written regarding the Stonebrook sewers and that it should go out next week.
2. Mayor Muniz reported that he had a meeting with the City of Highlands Public Works director and Mark Latham regarding our water agreement. He stated that the City of Highland will draw up a new contract and we will have our attorney look it over before we sign anything. We won't see anything from them till after the new year.

D. POLICE COMMITTEE – ROBARDS :

1. Trustee Robards stated that the police are still patrolling the stop sign by the Village Hall because people are still running it. There was a small grease fire at Dew Drop last week however they were able to reopen yesterday.
2. The officers are writing an average of 3-4 tickets per shift so the revenue from those tickets is covering the cost of the extra patrolling.

E. ORDINANCE & FINANCE – MILLER:

1. Trustee Miller stated that we won't have to have a tax levy hearing this year. We are well under 5% increase. The tax rate should go down. This reflects the hard work we have put into it every year, especially Tim since he had ordinance and finance for a long time and he had done the levy. We will need to pass the tax levy at the next meeting, so everyone will need to try and be here.

F. PUBLIC GROUNDS & BUILDINGS – THOMPSON

G. STREET & ALLEY/MFT – JUNKER:

1. Mayor Muniz reported that Mike Muniz brought something to his attention. He said that the Red Truck is on its last leg. Mayor Muniz stated that he asked Mike to put a list together of what he thinks we will need to make everything work. Mike is doing his best to keep it running but it is something we are going to need to look into and start working on. Trustee Reilson asked if the truck would make it through the winter. Mayor Muniz is unsure but if worst came to worse we could ask the township to help us out. We do have a plow for the white truck so we could at least get some stuff cleared if it snows.

IV. PLANNING COMMISSION:

1. Mayor Muniz stated that Rick Ritter is here tonight to give us a finding of fact. We have a unique situation with Todd Lindow. He wants to buy some property on Ellis Road and have it rezoned multifamily. Rick held a zoning hearing and a planning commission meeting and the only person that showed up was Marlin Fohne. The planning Commission didn't feel that there should be multifamily the way Todd presented it. So he came back with a different request. Todd came back and asked for the property located at the southeast corner of Olivia and Ellis Road to be rezoned as MR1 multifamily. Upon the review of the request the Zoning Administrator and the Planning Commission made the recommendation to grant the rezoning request. Trustee Miller asked if he was planning to sell or rent the property. At this time we are unsure as to what he plans to do. Trustee Miller asked if we can decide weather they are to be rented or sold. Mayor Muniz said he didn't believe that we can do that. Trustee Robards would like us to put a stipulation that only Todd can do this. Trustee Miller has a concern that if we change the property and Todd doesn't but it then we are opening ourselves up for something we may not want. Trustee Reilson made a motion to rezone the property to MR-1 with the contingency on the sale of the property to Todd Lindow. If the sale falls through it reverts back to the original zoning. Trustee Meyer seconded the motion. Voice vote, 4 ayes. Motion carried. Mayor Muniz thanked Rick for his hard work.
2. a Public Hearing will be held on January 5, 2009 regarding public storage units.

IV. ZONING BOARD:

1. Mayor Muniz said we missed the deadline to get the ad ran in December for a public hearing for the zoning change regarding storage units. So we will be going to do it in January.

VI. OLD BUSINESS:

VII. NEW BUSINESS:

1. Mayor Muniz requested approval for Christmas bonuses for the same amount as last year. \$125 for full time and \$75 for part time. Trustee Meyer made a motion to approve

the Christmas bonuses as stated. Trustee Robards seconded the motion. Roll call vote, all in favor, motion carried.

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VIII. CLAIMS:

Trustee Meyer moved to read the claims by total. Trustee Reilson seconded the motion. Voice Vote 4 ayes, motion carried

Water	\$16296.45	
Sewer	\$1427.98	
Trash	\$	
Water/Sewer/Trash Total		\$17724.43
General Funds	\$287.79	
Ordinance & Finance	\$	
Ordinance & Finance Total		\$287.79
Police	\$894.65	
Street & Alley	\$2464.81	
Public Grounds	\$416.67	
Community Development	\$1168.80	
MFT	\$131.25	
Grand Total		\$23088.40

V. OPEN TO PUBLIC:

1. Joe Beil said that he agrees 100% about Todd Lindow, his work will make a difference
2. Joe Beil also stated that the alley behind his house has some deep ruts. He would like it to be fixed. Trustee Reilson stated it does have several deep holes. Mayor Muniz said he will have Mike take a look at it. We will probably have to rebuild the entire alley next year.
3. Tom Kaminski wanted to know if we have a flag for the Village. Mayor Muniz stated that he hopes to have one made with the logo.

VI. ADJOURNMENT:

1. Trustee Robards moved to adjourn at 8:25. Trustee Meyer seconded the motion. Voice vote, 4 ayes, motion carried.
2. The next meeting will be December 17, 2009 at 7:30 pm.

Dawn Miller, Village Clerk

Raymond Muniz, Mayor