

**VILLAGE OF SCHOOLCRAFT
COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS
JANUARY 7, 2008**

The Regular Meeting of the Village Council was called to order by President Loren Warfield at 7:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

Present: President Loren C. Warfield, Trustees Walter Mullin, Keith Gunnett, Scot Dailey, Carl Tackett and Jim VanDyken.

Absent: Russel Barnes.

Also Present: Village Manager Cheri M. Lutz, Village Clerk Faith Akert, Boy Scout Troop #254, Chief Bryan Campbell, Dorothy Clark, Jess Wallace, Tom Gill, Norma Tackett, Todd Carlin, Dale Hufford, Jerri French, Paula Crabtree, and Pat Temple.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Motion by Tackett, seconded by Mullin, to approve the agenda as presented. All aye.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA:

Motion by Gunnett, seconded by VanDyken, to approve the consent agenda as presented.

All aye.

CITIZEN COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS:

None.

NEW BUSINESS:

- a) Ms. Paula Crabtree appeared before the Council to express her concerns regarding the proposed sanitary sewer project stating that she is concerned with the cost of hooking up to sanitary sewer. She stated that the cost would be passed on to the tenants, and they would not be able to afford the monthly rent payments.
- b) Village Manager Cheri Lutz introduced the results of the Sanitary Sewer Survey to the Village Council.

Trustee Gunnett had the following comments:

- He complimented the administrative staff for the work that was done in preparing, sending and tabulating the survey, and acknowledged the fine work of Faith Akert and Theresa O'Leary.
- He stated that 158 surveys were sent, 69 were returned for an overall response of 44%.

- He stated that 75% of residential respondents do not support the plan and that 62% of businesses respondents do not support the plan.
- He stated that the survey indicates a resounding No.
- He requested a vote of the Council regarding their desire to either continue or to discontinue work on the project.

President Warfield had the following comments:

- He stated that he was not aware of an action that would require a vote of the Council.
- He stated that Trustee Barnes would like to be present when a final decision is made.
- He instructed the Manager could send a copy of the survey to South County Water and Sewer Authority and the Clerk to retain the survey for file.

Trustee Mullin asked for a show of hands to determine whether the Council was in favor of the proposed project.

- Those in favor of the project were Tackett, Warfield.
- Those opposed to the project were Gunnett, Mullin, Dailey, VanDyken.

- c) The memorandum from Village Manager Cheri Lutz regarding the appointment of Mrs. Deb Reynolds to the DDA was discussed.

Motion by Tackett, seconded by Dailey, to appoint Ms. Deb Reynolds to the DDA for a for year term to expire in January 2012. All aye.

- d) The memorandum from Village Manager Cheri Lutz regarding the 2008 Hazardous Waste Agreement was discussed.

Motion by Dailey, seconded by Mullin, to approve the contract as presented. All aye.

- e) President Warfield informed the Village Council that an offer had been made regarding the purchase of the administrative office with specific details listed below:

- Buyer agrees to a price of \$140,000.00
- Seller agrees to pay for a mortgage survey.
- Seller will maintain parking lot area with a negotiated long-term agreement.

- Property is defines as parcel 14-18-382-150 and parcel 144 which appears to include parking. Mortgage survey will determine if easement exists.
- Sale to include eight wall files, Chief's work surface, and work surface in main offices.

The Village Council instructed the Village Manager to counter offer as follows:

- Seller agrees to a price of \$140,000.00
- Seller agrees to pay for a mortgage survey.
- Seller will maintain parking lot area with a negotiated long term agreement.
Seller will determine level of maintenance and repair of parking lot.
- Seller will continue to have use of parking lot if property is sold at a future date.
- Buyer will have use of generator until South County Fire Authority moves to a new location.
- Seller will pay for costs associated with removal of generator.
- Seller will remove five (5) overhead wall files and all work surfaces.
- Seller will leave eight (8) overhead wall files, front counter top, and partitions.
- Seller will remove time capsule and large rock.
- A disclaimer will be added to the sales agreement as follows: Subject to Ordinance No. 211 becoming effective on or before the closing date.

- f) The first reading to wit of Ordinance No. 211 was presented to Council. An Ordinance to Authorize the Private Sale of Certain Village-Owned Property.

Motion by Dailey, seconded by Tackett, to adopt Ordinance No. 211 as presented. All aye.

TABULATION OF BIDS:

None.

COMMUNICATION:

None.

REPORTS FROM VILLAGE ADMINISTRATION:

President Warfield had the following comments:

- There will be two presentations at the January 21, 2008, meeting, regarding options for water tower painting.

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- A Preliminary Budget will be presented at the January 21, 2008, meeting.
- The January 21, 2008, meeting will take place at the new Municipal Building.

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting was adjourned at 7:46 p.m.

Faith C. Akert, Village Clerk

Loren C. Warfield, Village President