



VILLAGE OF SUTTONS BAY
VILLAGE COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES OF AUGUST 24, 2020

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m., by President Lutke.

Present: Bahle (arriving at 5:35), Case, Christensen, Lutke, Long, and Suppes
Absent: Newcomb
Staff Present: DeVol, Fay, Larrea and Miller

Approval of Agenda

Christensen moved, Suppes seconded, CARRIED, to approve the Agenda as presented, with an affirmative, unanimous roll call vote. Ayes: 5, No: 0.

Consent Agenda

Case moved, Christensen seconded, CARRIED, to approve the Consent agenda as presented, by an affirmative, unanimous roll call vote. The Village Council meeting minutes of July 20, 2020, submitted by Fay are approved and can be found in this meeting packet. The Payment of Invoices submitted by Treasurer DeVol are approved and can be found in this meeting packet. Ayes: 5, No: 0.

Report VSB-2020-40s

In addition to this report, Larrea added:

Parks & Recreation Plan

The plans have been provided to Council members for review and are also on display on the window of Council Chambers at the Village Hall, and will be placed at the parks for public review. Larrea met with Robin Schmidt of EGLE to discuss plans for Waterwheel Park. The plans call for a flood plain, widening the area around the stream in a stepped like fashion to allow for rising water to be contained. A recreational and seating area are part of the plans. The waterwheel will be relocated further back from the alley, a cost saving measure. The stream would be directed to the waterwheel. Larrea also met with Schmidt on the best way for stream culvert cleaning along the area which is 2/3rds full of sediment. The Parks and Rec sub-committee will make recommendations to Village Council for approval. The land between the alley and St. Joseph Street is part of the plan that calls for a seating area, vegetation removal and replanted with native species.

High Water Erosion

The giant sandbags should arrive in a couple of weeks for the Inland Seas/Coal dock. An estimated 30-35 feet of land has been lost there due to erosion. Christensen stated there are some sensitive bank areas that continue to be used for overflow parking that is not permitted

nor in a designated parking area, mostly on the weekends. Christensen will let Larrea know the areas of concern.

Broadway

Larrea met with the Stayman's and finalized the easement today. The easement will be recorded. The easement allows for two basins, if necessary, one on the side of the pond and one on the other side of the driveway. The Engineer will provide his plan which will be reviewed with Village Council. Long met with Steve Christensen who said that if the Village was unable or unwilling to take this matter forward, that it would default to Christensen and he would declare the area a (multi-jurisdictional with Suttons Bay Township) draining district.

Cameras

The Village has submitted for 50% reimbursement of the costs for the camera installation.

Bayview PUD

The intent is to work with Bayview PUD owners to dissolve the current PUD and create several different zoning districts to help with the development of that property.

2019 Audit

Bahle moved, Case seconded, CARRIED, to accept the 2019 Audit as presented, with an affirmative, unanimous roll call vote. Ayes: 6, No: 0.

Good of the Order

Christensen offered to tackle a Rain Garden by the Ice Cream Factory but would like a Master Gardener to point out the weeds.

Suppes is requesting communication/updates with the volunteers of the Rain Gardens. Larrea has met with U'Ren on the Rain Gardens.

Long stated he continues to meet with non-profits regarding Elm Street and has also briefly discussed Broadway noting that if the Village is unable to move forward on Broadway, they are prepared to move forward with documents to establish a joint resolution for a multi-jurisdictional draining district. The same is for Elm Street. Long stated some updating being accomplished on stream crossings and topo maps, which will be available for Village use. There will be a need for a hydrological study as well as topographical work to figure out exactly where the water is coming from and where it needs to go. Also discussed was if we access state and federal grants, we could recreate Leo Creek all the way down to the lake, perhaps involving the tribe in the process. U'Ren believes this could impact the environment in a much greater and bigger area with less money. If it is a five to ten-year plan, impacting the roadway as a first priority, and working on culverts and roadway early in the process. There could be options so that the residents in the area do not have to bear the whole cost.

Case requested the overgrown raingardens be trimmed by the stop signs. Case inquired about check numbers 47, 52 and 71 to Bay Shore Oil on the Treasurers invoice report. DeVol provided an explanation.

Christensen thanked Long for his extra work regarding Elm and Broadway and thanked Suppes for his extra work on the Planning Commission.

Manager's Report

Larrea stated the new employee's name is Richard Blodgett who came here from the LCRC. He is a mechanic and a great worker and employee. Larrea stated a first draft of the Inland Seas contract is complete. It is a 10-year contract with a two-year review. The draft contract with Jacobs as the operators of the WWTP has been finalized for 2021 as well as the Law Enforcement contract for 2021.

The meeting adjourned at 6:05 p.m.

Meeting minutes submitted by Shar Fay, Village Clerk.