

STILLWATER TOWN BOARD MEETING

September 27, 2007

Town Hall

7:00 P.M.

PRESENT: Chairperson Sheila-Marie Untiedt, Supervisors Jim Hiniker, Linda Countryman, Jim Doriott and Clerk Pat Bantli. Also, Treasurer Carol Collins, Attorney Sam Edmunds, Engineer Paul Pearson and Chief Of Police Steve Nelson.

1. AGENDA - M/S/P Countryman/Doriott moved to adopt the agenda as presented. (4 ayes)
2. MINUTES - M/S/P Hiniker/Doriott moved to approve the 9/13/07 town board meeting minutes as written. (3 ayes, Countryman abstain)
3. TREASURER -
  - a. Claims were reviewed and checks #18384 - #18391 were approved for payment. (Check #18392 was voided.)
  - b. Motion Failed Untiedt/Doriott moved to sign a letter of engagement for the accounting firm of Abdo, Eick and Meyers to do the township audit for 2006. (Untiedt/Doriott ayes, Countryman/Hiniker nays)

This issue of a 2006 audit will be brought up at the next meeting when a full board is present.

4. TREE REMOVAL PROGRAM - Bonnie Haines was present to explain the estimate of \$12,000.00 for the Haines Tree Removal Service to remove dead trees on the township road right-of-ways.

M/S/P Hiniker/Doriott moved to accept a price not to exceed \$12,000.00 for the Haines Tree Service to remove trees that have been marked in the township right-of-ways. (3 ayes, Countryman nay)

5. PARK ORDINANCE - M/S/P Countryman/Hiniker moved to approve the new park Ordinance #142 that repeals Ordinance #130 and Ordinance 3. Also, Ordinance #142 regulates hours of use and certain uses in public parks. (4 ayes)

6. RALEIGH ROAD MAINTENANCE CONTRACT - M/S/P Hiniker/Doriott moved to accept the Raleigh's road maintenance contract from October 2007 through September 2009. The annual contract amount is \$209,636.00. (4 ayes)

7. BUILDING INSPECTION CONTRACT - The town board is attempting to set building inspection fees at a level that approximates township costs and still provides our inspector with compensation close to that of inspectors in neighboring communities. Jack is to present two alternatives at the next meeting. One will start with the 97 schedule reduced by 15% with the inspectors fee at 85%. The second will also start with the 97 schedule but reduced by 10% and the inspectors fee at 90%. Jack is to compare these two schedules with the current schedule and with the schedule used by surrounding communities.

8. MARTIRE RACE CAR ISSUE - Jeff Martire and Audrey Fretschel were present to explain their position on their race car. Jeff said the race car is only run for 10-15 minutes several times per week but his neighbors are not willing to come to an agreement that would be acceptable to all of them. The board said that the problem is a private matter between Jeff and his neighbors and a solution between them should be worked out. Jim Hiniker suggested that he find some way to suppress the noise. Sheila-Marie Untiedt offered a possible solution where he would contact his neighbors with a schedule of dates and times when the race car will be started and get their feedback. Jeff will meet with his neighbors.

9. ENGINEER -

- a. Citizens' Point of Contact - A system for the public to ask questions or express concerns about road issues is decided:
  1. Dangerous situations on township roads, the Chief of Police should be notified.
  2. General road questions, the clerk or any town board supervisor should be contacted.

The website and newsletter will have information about this issue in future.

10. VICTORY PASS SUBDIVISION - Mr. Sebold has taken over ownership of the subdivision. The clerk will meet with Mr. Sebold on September 28 at the town hall to receive escrow money outstanding. Except for changes in the type of trees, the project is about the same.

M/S/P Hiniker/Countryman moved that the assignment of the Victory Pass Contract to the new owner be approved. (4 ayes)

11. CLOSED MEETING - M/S/P Doriott/Countryman moved to recess the current meeting for the purpose of holding a closed meeting regarding a personnel matter. (4 ayes)

M/S/P Countryman/Hiniker moved to terminate the closed meeting. (4 ayes)

12. RETURN TO REGULAR MEETING - The regular town board meeting was re-opened at 9:20 p.m. and adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

Clerk\_\_\_\_\_

Chairperson\_\_\_\_\_

Approved\_\_\_\_\_