

THE RUSHVILLE VILLAGE TELECONFERENCE BOARD MEETING

May 11, 2020

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DATE: 5/11/2020

TIME: 7:00 pm

PLACE: Via teleconference

ATTENDEES: Deputy Mayor Holly Krossber, Trustee Mark Fargo, Trustee Chandra Gilman, Trustee Doug Rigby, Clerk Joanne Burley, Reading Center Director Dodie Baker

ABSENT: Mayor John Sawers

The Deputy Mayor called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. Deputy Mayor Holly Krossber said Clerk Joanne Burley has a message.

Clerk Joanne said there was a message in the Trustee's packet that told them the Village Elections would be on September 15th. She just wanted to be sure they all saw it.

She also stated that we would not be taking any comments from the public tonight. If there were any questions to please call the Village Office and she would try to answer them.

She also reminded everyone to keep their questions and comments short and to the point on this conference call to make taking the minutes easier. That's all she had.

RE: Approval of Minutes:

The Deputy Mayor asked if there were any additions or corrections to the April meeting minutes.

Trustee Mark Fargo commented he had called in the corrections he had. Clerk Joanne said she had made the corrections that everyone called in to her.

Trustee Mark Fargo made a motion to accept the minutes from the April 13th, 2020 meeting with the corrections. A second was received by Trustee Chandra Gilman. Deputy Mayor – yes, Trustee Mark Fargo – yes, Trustee Chandra Gilman – yes, Trustee Doug Rigby – yes. The motion was passed.

The Deputy Mayor asked if she could have a motion to pass the minutes from the Public Hearing that was held on April 27, 2020. Trustee Mark Fargo made a motion to accept the minutes. A second was received from Trustee Doug Rigby. Deputy Mayor – yes, Trustee Mark Fargo – yes, Trustee Chandra Gilman – yes, Trustee Doug Rigby – yes. The motion was passed.

Old Business:

Martin Buildings:

Deputy Mayor Holly Krossber asked if anyone had any comments on the offer for the Martin Buildings. She made the comment that the contract stated that everything should be in working order, but we had listed it specifically "AS IS" so she felt this should be taken out.

Trustee Mark Fargo said that our lawyer Tom Blair had mentioned that the deposit was too low and he agreed. He feels the deposit should be at least \$5,000. Deputy Mayor Krossber said it concerned her that he will have trouble coming up with that amount. She does not want to lose the deal because we raise it to \$5,000. She is not sure he will have that available. Trustee Doug Rigby said he feels we should move forward.

Trustee Mark Fargo felt we should take the advice from our lawyer. He feels Tom's has the best interest of the Village at heart and we should go along with what he suggests.

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Trustee Chandra Gilman mentioned that there was nothing in the offer about the late payments. Clerk Joanne said that would be in the mortgage documents at closing. Deputy Mayor Holly Krossber made a motion to accept the offer subject to Attorney Approval. A second was received from Trustee Mark Fargo. Deputy Mayor – yes, Trustee Mark Fargo – yes, Trustee Chandra Gilman – yes, Trustee Doug Rigby – yes. The motion was passed.

New Business:

Deputy Mayor Holly Krossber said we have to approve the payment requisition from J & E Electric for the sewer project. Trustee Mark Fargo made a motion to pay J & E Electric \$3,645.86. A second received from Trustee Doug Rigby. Deputy Mayor – yes, Trustee Mark Fargo – yes, Trustee Chandra Gilman – yes, Trustee Doug Rigby – yes. The motion was passed.

Grant Writing Services:

Deputy Mayor Holly Krossber mentioned that everyone had a copy of the proposed Grant writing services from MRB for the Water Plant. This would be for the Blue Green Algae. Deputy Mayor Holly Krossber said she had communication with Emily from MRB regarding the use of the last survey we had done. Holly still wasn't sure if we could use it or not. We would have to talk to the people at CDBG to see if it was acceptable. Holly said maybe we could get Emily on the phone. Clerk Joanne said she would try. Emily didn't answer. Clerk Joanne said it really doesn't matter whether they will use the old survey or not because if we had to have another survey done, we would have to pay for that separately. We still need to have the Grant written. Trustee Chandra Gilman said maybe we should wait to hear from Emily before we decide. Art said, "So if they won't use the old one are, we just not going to do anything?" Deputy Mayor Holly Krossber said we could approve this and wait to hear later if they will use the old survey. Trustee Mark Fargo made a motion to accept the proposal from MRB to write the Grant for the Water Plant. Trustee Doug Rigby made a second to that motion. Deputy Mayor Holly Krossber – yes, Trustee Mark Fargo – yes, Trustee Chandra Gilman – yes, Trustee Doug Rigby – yes. The motion was passed.

Deputy Mayor said we have a Bond Resolution to pass. Because the cost of the project is now \$4,500,000, we have to pass another resolution. Trustee Mark Fargo commented that it doesn't look like we really have a choice. Deputy Mayor Holly Krossber asked Art what his feelings were. He said that there was extra work done so we could get the most out of our grants. Holly also asked if that one charge for the Construction Observation for \$20,000 if that was something that the Village would be able to do. He said he wouldn't do it. Holly asked if the person that does this is there all the time. Art said not all the time but most every day. Trustee Doug Rigby made a motion to accept the Bond Resolution and a second was received from Trustee Chandra Gilman. Deputy Mayor Holly Krossber – yes, Trustee Mark Fargo – yes, Trustee Chandra Gilman – yes, Trustee Doug Rigby – yes. The motion passed.

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Re Bills:

A motion was made by Trustee Mark Fargo and seconded by Trustee Doug Rigby to authorize payment of the General Bills in the amount of \$11,141.08. The motion was unanimously carried.

A motion was made by Trustee Chandra Gilman and seconded by Mark Fargo to authorize payment of the Cemetery Bills in the amount of \$1,038.58. The motion was unanimously carried.

A motion was made by Trustee Doug Rigby and seconded by Trustee Chandra Gilman to authorize payment of the Water bills in the amount of \$6,415.77. The motion was unanimously carried.

A motion was made by Trustee Chandra Gilman and seconded by Trustee Doug Rigby to authorize the payment of the Sewer bills in the amount of \$3,069.17. The motion was unanimously carried.

A motion was made by Trustee Doug Rigby a 2nd seconded by Trustee Chandra Gilman to authorize the payment of the Capital Project bills in the amount of \$9,771.00. the motion was unanimously carried.

A motion to adjourn was made by Trustee Mark Fargo a 2nd was received from Trustee Doug Rigby. The motion was unanimously passed. The meeting was adjourned at 7:40 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Joanne Burley, Clerk/Treasurer

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