

City of Fox Lake
Committee of the Whole Synopsis
February 21, 2018

The February 21, 2018 committee of the whole meeting was called to order by Mayor Tom Bednarek, at 6:30 pm., in the Council Chambers. Those in attendance were alderpersons John Mund, Dan Ault, Dennis Linke, Robert Jenswold and Tom Jahnke. Absent: Peter Hartzheim. Also attending were city attorney Mike Devitt, city clerk Susan Hollnagel, city administrator Dean Perlick, street superintendent Gene Huettner, police chief Jim Rohr and librarian Paula Torgeson. There was no one in the audience.

Waive rental fee-Comm. Center

SAGES Foundation has asked if the City could waive the rental fee for the Community Center for their fundraiser on April 16. Jahnke said they have done it before and have not had any problems. The Mayor said this would be on the March council agenda.

Vacation of 300 block of E. Cherry Street

City attorney Devitt updated the council on the vacation of the 300 block of E. Cherry Street. He said there may be an issue, as the City can't petition the circuit court to vacate the street. He said the adjoining landowners will need to petition for the vacation. Devitt said the area that would be vacated will need to be surveyed, which would be an additional cost. Perlick asked if the landowners should pay the cost of the survey. Ault asked if we leave the street as it is and not vacate it, do we maintain it? Huettner said the landowner does. Jahnke asked if we plan to do something there. The Mayor said not at the present time. He said we should see what the costs will be. Devitt said he will review their petition for vacation.

Mill Road annexation

Devitt updated the annexation of ½ of Mill Road from the Town of Fox Lake. He said the annexation papers had been submitted to the Department of Administration and he is waiting to hear back from them. He said the ball is in their court. Devitt said he sent a revised survey map to them as something had been mislabeled.

Picnic license - SAGES

The clerk stated a picnic license application has been submitted by SAGES Foundation for their fundraiser on April 16, 2018.

Library Board minutes

Ault said the Library Board met Monday to approve the 2017 annual report. He said the report looked good. He said new shelving was approved in the 2017 budget but it did not get done in 2017. Ault asked in the 2017 budgeted funds can be used for the shelf order now. The Mayor said he had talked with the Library Board president and she said it was \$3,500-. Torgeson said she didn't think anything got carried over. She said the Library Board okayed using \$5,000- from the checkbook to pay for the shelving. She said she switched companies to get the shelves and the cost is \$6,700-. The Mayor said it would be on the March council agenda to do \$1,700- toward the purchase of shelving. Mund asked if the missing checks showed up. Torgeson said not yet and the Board president Okrasinski put a stop payment on those checks.

Personnel Policy

Perlick said he has been going over the city's personnel policy and would be meeting with the personnel committee once Hartzheim got back. He said he will be giving a copy to Devitt to review. He said once they get something, it will be brought to the committee of the whole.

Leroy Meats update

Perlick said Leroy Meats is looking at opening the second week of April. He said the road on the north side of the building will be paved in spring. He said once it is paved, Paul Studtmann has plans to start the construction of a house, on one of his lots. The Mayor said the city extended their contact with Paul Studtmann for the construction of a home, six months, because of the delay caused by the archeological dig.

With no other business to come before the committee of the whole, the meeting was closed at 6:55 p.m.