

**City of Fox Lake
Committee of the Whole Synopsis
March 21, 2018**

The March 21, 2018 committee of the whole meeting was called to order by Mayor Tom Bednarek, at 6:30 p.m., in the Council Chambers. Those in attendance were alderperson John Mund, Dan Ault, Dennis Linke, Peter Hartzheim, Robert Jenswold and Tom Jahnke. Also attending were city attorney Mike Devitt, city clerk Susan Hollnagel, city administrator Dean Perlick, street superintendent Gene Huettner and police chief Jim Rohr.

In the audience was Richard Quirk.

Clausen Tower lights

Jahnke said there are a couple of lights out by the Clausen Tower. Huettner said the lights are on a timer and the timer probably was not set ahead. He said he would check it.

Roof replacement-Municipal Bldg and Fire Station

Perlick stated 5 bids were received for the removal/installation of a new roof on the municipal building and fire station. He said the bids ranged from \$81,125- to \$187,508-. He said the apparent low bidder was Badgerland Roofing, with the city's share \$39,512- and fire station \$41,612-. Perlick said the city has budgeted \$55,000- for their share of the project. He said depending on the type of metal fastener used, it could add an additional \$6,000- to the city's cost. Hartzheim asked if there is a warranty. Perlick said there is a 15 year warranty on labor and parts.

The Mayor asked Huettner his opinion on what size fastener to use, the 2" or the 5". Huettner said the 5" would cover the variation and line. Linke said they would still have the cap over the flashing. The Mayor said they would be meeting with the Fire Association tomorrow to go over the bids received. Linke said he would like to go with the 5" fastener. The Mayor asked the rest of the alderpersons and the consensus was to go with the 5" fasteners.

E. Cherry Street update

City attorney Devitt said the petition that was submitted by adjacent property owners, for the vacation of the 300 block of E. Cherry Street, is not sufficient under state statutes. He said they would need more signatures. He said the city could discontinue the street if the city could show it was in the public interest. He said there is title work required and a legal description is needed. Devitt said Perlick had talked with Carl Huizenga and that Huizenga was going to contact Devitt but he hasn't heard from him yet. The Mayor asked Perlick to meet with Devitt to put a letter together on what Huizenga needs to do for this.

Mill Road annexation

Devitt said the he had received notice from the Department of Administration we needed to pass an amended annexation ordinance and then send it back to DOA. The Mayor said this will be on the April council agenda.

Refinancing

Perlick said he had been contacted by Todd Taves, of Ehlers and Associates, to see if the city wanted to refinance the 2008 general obligation refunding bonds, dated 9/23/2008. Taves told Perlick the city could refinance through the state trust fund loan at a lower interest rate and save approximately \$24,500- through refinancing. Perlick said Ehlers would charge \$1,500- to prepare and submit the application. The Mayor said this would be on the April council agenda.

Joint Municipal Court committee

The Mayor said Ann Tripke had submitted her resignation as the alternate member on the Joint Municipal Court committee. He recommended Meagan VandeBerg to take her place and complete her term, which expires in September.

Repayment/refinance line of credit

Perlick said the city has three, short term, lines of credit outstanding: one for Third St/Wells St. project, Mill Road and Leroy/Subway project, which are due the end of November. He said he talked with the general fund auditors and they want a plan established on how the three lines are going to be paid for. Perlick said he met with Tim Boerneke, from Farmers State Bank, to get information on what can be done. He said Boerneke was going to get back to him with amortization schedules, for 5, 10 and 25 years loans. Perlick didn't think this would be ready for the April council meeting.

Rug rental

The Mayor said the city treasurer, Meagan VandeBerg, was reviewing the billing from Aramark for the rental of rugs in the municipal building and police department, which was around \$700- per month. He said VandeBerg called and got two quotes on biweekly rug replacement. He said Packerland will rent the rugs to the city for \$118- per month, which will save the city about \$6,900-. He said they signed a two year contract with them. The Mayor said we also purchased two custom mats, for \$400-, that we will own and use at the municipal building. The Mayor said it was a good catch by Meagan.

Library minutes

No one had any questions regarding the March 6, 2018 library board minutes.

With no other business to come before the committee of the whole, the meeting was closed at 6:50 p.m.