

City of Fox Lake
Committee of the Whole Synopsis
April 18, 2019

The April 18, 2018 committee of the whole meeting was called to order by Mayor Tom Bednarek, following the organizational council meeting, in the Council Chambers. Those in attendance were alderpersons John Mund, Dan Ault, Dennis Linke, Peter Hartzheim and Don Zilewicz. Absent: Robert Jenswold. Also attending were city attorney Mike Devitt, city clerk Susan Hollnagel, city administrator Dean Perlick and police chief Jim Rohr.

In the audience was Richard Quirk.

Wells Street reconstruction bid

The Mayor said Kopplin and Kinas had the low bid of \$320,040.15 for the Wells Street reconstruction. He said there was approximately \$200,000- left from the Third Street project, which was under budget. He said the project would include replacing water and sewer mains, as they are made of clay tile. The Mayor said the bid came in higher than the estimated cost so the city would need to come up with \$120,000- more. Perlick suggested looking at the bid to see if there can be something cut out of the project to lower the cost. The Mayor asked Perlick to sit down with the public works superintendent and the utilities superintendent to see what could be taken out of the project. He also asked the public works committee, Hartzheim, Zilewicz and Ault, to meet with public works and water and sewer superintendents.

Street light – 200 block We Go Trail

Perlick said the city had a request to install a street light in the 200 block of We Go Trail. He said Alliant Energy would do a cost analysis for a street light installation. Perlick said Alliant Energy needed the go ahead from the city to do the study. Hartzheim said any new street lights would have LED lights. The Mayor said Alliant doesn't have the same poles that are installed on the street. The Mayor asked the clerk to place this on the May 2 council agenda for approval.

Vacation of 300 block of E. Cherry Street

Devitt said he sent street vacation instructions to Carl Huizenga and Perlick sent a letter to Huizenga to contact Devitt if he had any questions. Devitt said he has not been contacted by Huizenga. Perlick said the letter stated the city was not really interested in paying for a certified survey and recording fees. The Mayor said we'll put this on the May committee of the whole for another update.

Library minutes

There were no questions or concerns with the April 10, 2018 library board minutes.

Leroy Meats project

Perlick said Leroy Meats will be opening tomorrow and plan to have a Grand Opening after Mother's Day.

Dollar General project

Perlick said Hoekstra's and Dollar General have an agreement to buy the land. He said an incentive package has not been discussed yet. He said Dollar General is looking at construction in the fall, with an early spring occupancy. Hartzheim said he has been asked about installing a sidewalk from Kwik Trip out to Leroy Meats. He asked who would pay for it. The Mayor said probably the city but he would see if it could be incorporated into TIF. He said this can be discussed at budget time.

Apartment building project

Perlick said the apartment building project would include 2-12 unit apartment buildings along Spring Street and 1-12 unit apartment building on Booth Street. He said the city is guaranteed \$3 million in valuation. Perlick said the developer would receive their incentive after the building is up and completely occupied. He said the lots on Spring Street need to be rezoned to multi-family. The Mayor said the apartments would be approximately 1,300 square feet with two bedrooms and two bathrooms and would rent for around \$900- per month. Perlick said the apartment buildings would also be sprinklered.

With no other business to come before the committee of the whole, the meeting was adjourned at 7:15 p.m.