

Special Meeting Minutes

Vermontville Village Council

1-17-12

Called to order at 7:00pm

Present were Jeanette Schultz, Sue Villanueva, Amy Jo Kinyon, Jason Sheridan, Mark Jorgensen, Ruth Wineman, Garry Patrick, Kelly Williams and Shirley Harmon. In the audience were Jeff Seavolt-MV Schools, Harold Stewart, Tom Williams, and Rick Moore-The Thornapple Trail Assoc., Blair Miller.

Pledge to the flag.

Public Comment:

Ruth apologized to the Chairman of the Neighborhood Watch Committee for cancelling their meeting tonight but with the time constraints for this project we needed to hold the meeting as soon as possible.

Harold Stewart used to be against the trail but is now for the trail and what it can bring to the community. It is an investment in the community.

Rick Moore went thru and listed the advantages to having the trail there not just for the tourists they hope to draw but for the residents and future residents.

Paul Racine entered meeting 7:05pm

Jeff Seavolt asked the Village for help by sponsorship and covering the \$17,275.00 for the Construction Engineering part of the project. Jeanette asked if the Township hadn't promised some money and was told yes that they had promised \$20,200.00 which should cover the first phase. He didn't expect for us to have to pay anything until year 2013. The village would be responsible for maintenance on the improvements from the trail head into the village.

Monte O'Dell entered meeting at 7:10pm

Ruth pointed out that with the Township already promising to pay the 20,200.00 and the village is part of the Township, by paying Township taxes, then we would be paying twice. The village has also purchased a parcel of property on Linden Street near the trail head and hope to put in a parking lot with facilities.

Business:

Garry Patrick read the Resolution 2012-04, **“Resolution to Authorize a Request For Funding, Designate Agents, Attest to The Existence of Funds to Carry Out Various Infrastructure Projects, and Commit to Maintaining Infrastructure Funded by The Safe Routes to School Program”** and made some typo

corrections. Patrick moved to approve the resolution, seconded by Mark Jorgensen. Vote-ayes-Patrick, Jorgensen, Wineman, Sheridan, Villanueva and Kinyon. Nays-Schultz.

Garry Patrick moved to make a **Resolution that our share of the money needed (\$17,275.00) will be budgeted over the next two years (2012 and 2013) with the necessary budget amendments being made (in Local)**, Mark Jorgensen seconded the motion. Vote-ayes-Patrick, Jorgensen, Wineman, Sheridan, Villanueva and Kinyon. Nays-Schultz.

Public Comment:

Blair Miller stated that the Thornapple River Expedition 2012 has been set for August 6th thru 11th this summer. The first day will start in Potterville and end here in Vermontville and they will camp at the campground and take off from there the next morning.

Mark Jorgensen moved to adjourn, seconded by Garry Patrick, all ayes.

8:13pm

Shirley Harmon

Village Clerk

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