Committee (COTW) Meeting Minutes

Public Safety, Parks, Building & Facilities, Cemetery, Refuse, Water Sewer, Streets Alleys, Finance, Economic Development and Personnel

Monday October 16, 2023

Meeting Called to Order: 6:02 P.M. Meeting Adjourned: 7:49 P.M.

ATTENDANCE		PRESENT	ABSENT & EXCUSED
Village President	Jason Beam	X	
Trustee	John Taylor	X	i.
Trustee	Karen Brandau	X	
Trustee	Amanda Johnson		X
Trustee	Dan Galle	X	
Trustee	Sam Bennett	X	
Trustee	Ryan Franck		X
Administrator	Steve Brown	X	
Administrative' Assistant	Connie Johnson	X	
Village Clerk.	Sarah Jern		X
Village Attorney	Attorney Jacobs		X
Audience	ESDA Director,		X
	Leonard Guild		

Public Comments:

Public Safety:

Parks:

Building and Facilities:

^{*} Kathy Schmadt was present to observe.

^{*}Reviewed Police Reports, no questions.

^{*}Discussion of Ordinance Violations, 308 E Court has corrected violations, they continue to be in violation of zoning ordinance and are being ticket when that act is observed. The dangerous/Viscous animal violation at 200 E South is not in compliance with the letter they received from the Village Office. They refused to turn the dog over to animal control. Village attorney has taken over this situation and will be proceeding with the violations and stipulations. Discuss Dangerous Building violations on N Prospect, W Exchange and N East, village attorney is in the process of addressing the fines on these properties.

^{*}Discussion of Park projects, lamp post is in the process of being shipped. Discuss looking into the purchase of the benches further. Hand Park pavilion will begin being revamped as soon as time allows.

*Discussion of Food Pantry relocation, when paperwork is completed, we will move forward on the signing possibly next week. The posting requirements have been met and a redevelopment through TIF for gifting the building is in process.

Cemetery:

*Discuss cemetery rates and reviewed rates of surrounding towns. Discuss adding an additional rate for short-notice openings. Will review rates and discuss further.

Refuse:

*Discuss recycling rates the current charge is \$4.72 per household that is an 8-cent deficit per household. Discuss an increase to \$5.20 per household, which would cover the increase occurring through our five-year contract with Eagle Recycling.

Water Sewer:

*Discussion of bulk water access, looking into solutions to provide weeknight and weekend access to get bulk water. With the installation of cameras, it could be monitored as well as provide security for surrounding areas and buildings. Will look further into pricing for camera installation.

Streets Alleys:

*No items to discuss.

Finance:

- *Reviewed and discussed October 2023 finance report, legal services have significantly increased.
- *Reviewed and discussed Preliminary bills list.
- *Discussion of donation request from Cambridge Fire District, this is a yearly donation given by the Village. Last year's donation was \$600.00, discussed continuing with this donation.

Economic Development:

*Discussion of RDA with Charli's Pizza, \$8500.00 was granted from prior facade grant, project was on hold due to waiting on supplies and an RDA for \$25,000 unforgivable loan for renovation is being used for a new location for Charlis Pizza on Prospect St.

*Discussion of Tourism IGA with county, communities located in Henry County will receive membership on the Board of Tourism. Membership fees are based on population as Cambridge amount is \$1,500 per year. This also gives communities access to the tourism website to have their events displayed.

*Discussion of Christmas on the Square event, Cambridge Youth Center would like to serve a cocoa bar out of the pavilion. Discuss carriage rides for the price of \$1400 for 3 hours. New events will be added this year including pony rides, carriage rides and the lighting of the boulevard as well as a few other events. The community is coming together to assist in the Christmas event.

Personnel:

*No items to discuss

Village President, Jason Beam

Administrative Assistant, Connie Johnson