

VILLAGE OF HINCKLEY
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING - MINUTES
August 27, 2018

CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER: Meeting was called to order by President Nelson at 6:00 PM.

Present: President Nelson, Trustees Mike Constant, Tim Sellers, Jeff Nier, Louis Manivong, Chuck Riforgiate. Quorum Established.

Absent: None.

Also Present: Village Clerk Elizabeth Losiniecki, Treasurer Dave Maroo, Attorneys Szeto and Gibbons, and Member of the Public.

Comments

Resident Gary Pozzi, 211 W. Miller, commented regarding leaf pick-up. He listed a number of reasons that he thinks the Village should continue the service, including the health and sanitation of the Village.

Resident John McFarland, 500 Louise Drive, commented regarding the Royal Estates development and concerns about drainage into Lake Louise and sediment build-up.

Resident Sarah Quirk, 320 E. McKinley, commented regarding leaf pick-up. She stated that those residents in the original part of town are disproportionately affected by the discontinuance of the program.

Resident Rob Zimmerman, 350 E. Lincoln Avenue, commented regarding leaf pick-up. He made a variety of suggestions, including: dumping leaves at Royal Estates, dumping leaves at the Public Works facility, running leaf pick-up two days per week, and burning. He stated that this should be considered a "core service" for residents and treated as such.

Resident Larry Haler, 170 E. McKinley Avenue, commented regarding leaf pick-up. He stated that the Fire Department is comprised of volunteers and that they cannot handle leaf burning. He stated that if residents don't rake, the leaves will all wind up in the sewers.

Resident John Mason, 171 Maple Street, commented regarding leaf pick-up. He stated that burning leaves would present a fire hazard and that the service should be continued.

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION:

For discussion: Royal Estates

Village President Nancy Nelson introduced Steve Phillips from Lake County Grading. Mr. Phillips introduced his development partners, C.J. Johnson and Patrick Mosley from Latitude Building and Development. They stated that they are planning to begin development of the subdivision and that they hope to have a model home up by late fall. They hope to start sales and permitting by the end of the year. Infrastructure work will be done over the winter. The homes will be in the \$250,000.00 range and will be single family dwellings, including basements. Mr. Phillips stated that there are a number of details that he needs to attend to prior to beginning work.

Resident Jerry Bahl asked if Sycamore Street would be widened as part of the work and Mr. Phillips stated the development agreement does not provide for that and that the cost would be prohibitive, to the developer and the Village. Trustee Nier suggested limiting parking on Sycamore Street to accommodate the increase in traffic. Mr. Phillips stated that he would be in contact with EEI and ICCI regarding the punch list items and permitting requirements.

For Discussion: Leaf Pick-up Service

Village President Nelson stated that the cost to dump leaves at Royal Estates was \$3500.00 last year. Trustee Sellers stated that regardless of where the leaves would be dumped, composting laws apply. Discussion followed regarding burning and the health and safety implications. Trustee Constant suggested that considering the money spent last year to repair the equipment; it should be used until it breaks. At the point that the current equipment needs additional repair, the Board could address the issue.

Discussion continued regarding the long-term viability of the program and Trustee Sellers suggested the need for long-term planning. The possibility of implementing impact fees and/or service fees was also discussed. Attorney Gibbons stated that an additional line item could be added to the utility

bills to pay for the leaf pick-up service. Village President Nelson asked Trustee Sellers to have his Committee look into the long term viability of the program.

OPEN DISCUSSION

None.

ADJOURMENT

Motion: Trustee Constant moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:03 PM. Trustee Nier seconded the motion. **Voice Vote:** All members voted yes. Motion carried.

Nancy Nelson, Village President

Elizabeth Losiniecki, Village Clerk