

VILLAGE OF LODI

COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Monday, June 5, 2006

The Lodi Village Council met at 7:00 P.M., on the above date for a Council Committee Meeting to discuss business for the Month of June. The following members were present: Melody Miller, Mike Landis, Wayne Hershberger, Patricia Graham, John Carpenter, and Brad Rice.

Also Present: Mayor Thomas Longsdorf, Clerk/Treasurer Annette Geissman, Police Chief Steve Sivard, Assistant Fire Chief Andrew Wurstner, Utility Superintendent Don Eaken, and Village Solicitor Ted Lesiak.

Public Participation Delbert Miller, of 736 Bank Street, was present and discussed concerns regarding additional attorney fees he has incurred in the process of annexation. Village Solicitor Ted Lesiak responded to Mr. Miller's questions and discussed the details of the annexation.

Shanda Patalon, Lodi Volunteer EMS Employee, was present and read a statement addressing her concerns with her inactive status on the EMS department.

COMMITTEE REQUESTS

Safety –Melody Miller

Miller informed council members that it will not be necessary to bid out the Fire Department Scot Packs as the expenditure for the actual Scot Packs will not exceed \$25,000. The additional items listed in the initial request from the Fire Chief were not related to the Scot Packs. Therefore the expenditure will not require bidding.

Assistant Fire Chief Andrew Wurstner informed council members that a request is needed for an expenditure of \$16,026.29 for the repairs made to the 151-1 Main Fire Pumper. Items repaired include a leaking pump, a shaft, the foam system, the cab lift, and miscellaneous lights and brakes.

Assistant Fire Chief Andrew Wurstner informed council members that a request is needed for an expenditure of \$320.24 to Galls. Miscellaneous Fire Department purchases were made on location while Assistant Chief Wurstner was visiting Galls.

Zoning and Planning –Mike Landis

Landis informed council members that the Lodi Zoning and Planning Commission will meet on Wednesday, June 14, 2006, at 7:00 P.M.

Public Properties –Wayne Hershberger

Hershberger informed council members that mosquito spraying will occur between June 5th and June 9th. A suggestion was made to begin spraying earlier next year.

Parks –Patricia Graham

Graham reported that she has planted some of the flowers donated by the Chamber in the planters in the downtown area. Help is still needed to complete the planting.

Graham informed council members that a quote has been received from Showcase Lawns for lawn care for Central Park and the Fire Station. The Central Park quote is \$90 per application, with five applications suggested per year. The Fire House quote is \$50 per application with five applications suggested per year. A request for this expenditure will be made at the Regular Council Meeting.

Graham inquired about the possibility of putting in curbs on Wooster Street due to the sidewalks being so close to the road. Mayor Longsdorf explained that curbs would be problematic on this street because the storm drains are located off the street. Curbs would prevent water from reaching the storm drains.

Street/Storm Sewers/Sidewalks –John Carpenter

Carpenter had nothing to report at this time.

Finance/Legislation –Brad Rice

The Amended Rules of Council will need to be passed at the next Regular Council Meeting. Village Solicitor Ted Lesiak explained that a second paragraph was added to Section 12. This addition implements a documentation requirement for expenditures to comply with the recent audit.

Clerk/Treasurer

Clerk/Treasurer Annette Geissman informed council members that a bill for an additional Workers Compensation premium has been received by the Village. The additional premium is being charged because the Village withdrew from the BWC Drug Free Workplace program on January 11, 2006. The additional premium amount is \$2,542.30. After some discussion it was determined that the current Village Drug Free Workplace Policy will remain in place with the exception that it is no longer affiliated with the Workers Compensation program. This will be reviewed again in October to determine whether or not to leave the training requirement in the policy.

Clerk/Treasurer Annette Geissman discussed the need for additional personnel in the Clerk/Treasurer s Office as Teresa Hastings has become a full time officer for the Police Department. After some discussion a consensus was reached by council for the Clerk/Treasurer to advertise for a full time Secretary/Account Clerk.

Mayor –Tom Longsdorf

Mayor Longsdorf reported that he has reviewed the application for parking on the tree lawn from 105 Mill Street. The Mayor has visited the site and has determined that it may be unsafe to allow parking at this location. The Mayor recommended that council deny the parking application at the next meeting.

Mayor Longsdorf reported that Police Officer Teresa Hastings should be commended for her performance and test scores from the Police Officers Training Academy. Teresa completed the program in an exemplary manner and received the highest score in her class.

Mayor Longsdorf informed council members that the Zoning Commission has received a plan for a house to be built in Whisper Creek.

Mayor Longsdorf informed council members that the Anderson property has been purchased and there is interest in developing the property.

Superintendent and Supervisors

Police Chief Sivard Chief Sivard reported that he has received a call from a resident in Pine Villas inquiring where to go for shelter in the event of a tornado. Chief Sivard will contact the Medina County Emergency Management Agency to see if there is already a designated place for people to go in this type of emergency.

Utility Superintendent Don Eaken Don Eaken reported that he would like to use the remainder of the FEMA Grant Fund balance to repair the bridge at Lodi Community Park. After some discussion a consensus was reached by council to authorize \$2,100 to start with this project.

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned in order to commence with the advertised Special Council Meeting.

Melody Miller, Council President

Annette Geissman, Clerk/Treasurer

Thomas Longsdorf, Mayor

