

Village of Homer
Regular Meeting of Trustees
September 14, 2020
7:00pm

Call to order

Those present: Village Trustees: Guy James, Joe Bear, Jim White, Zach Wells, and Kevin Knott, not present, Mike Johnson, also present: Village Mayor/Board President, Raymond Cunningham, Clerk, Sharon Jeffers, Treasurer, Cindy Pruitt, Maintenance, Ryan Byerley, and Dale Katerhenry, Sewer/Zoning, Dave Hermes, Water, Ed Shirley, Attorney, Marc Miller, Zach Knight from Farnsworth, The McCormick's with RJD Machining, and residents, Crystal Allen, Billy Mitchell, and Ray Ryerson.

Community Input: Ray Ryerson voiced his concerns with the downtown project. Putting bump outs in the road will not work with semi's. He feels the lighting is also fine. Sidewalks need fixed but that is all. The board responded with the comments: Nothing is set in stone at this time, and they are thinking about the long term and hoping this will entice new business in the future. They hope to have a meeting to listen to community input before final decision is made.

Board Comments: Joe Bear and Gentry Hawkins have been putting a lot of volunteer time in finishing the concession stand and new restrooms.

Waste and Fraud Program: The Waste and Fraud program was presented by Mayor Raymond Cunningham. Guy James made the motion to approve the program as presented, Zach Wells second the motion, all in favor, motion approved.

- Documentation of those that have went through the program needs to be on file

Minutes: Kevin Knott made the motion to approve minutes as presented with amendment to Cemetery minutes, Guy James second the motion, all in favor, motion approved.

Village Bills: Joe Bear made the motion to approve payment of Village bills as presented, Kevin Knott second the motion, roll call vote: Joe Bear, yes, Guy James, yes, Kevin Knott, yes, Zach Wells, yes, and Jim White, yes, motion approved.

Reports: Kevin Knott made the motion to approve treasurer, police, water, maintenance, zoning, sewer, and village hall reports as presented, Guy James second the motion, all in favor, motion approved.

Ordinance 091420A: Kevin Knott made the motion to pass Ordinance 091420 approving sale of 2 acres of farmland in the amount of \$27,000.00 to RJD Machining, Joe Bear second the motion, roll call vote: Joe Bear, yes, Guy James, yes, Kevin Knott, yes, Zach Wells, yes, and Jim White, yes. Motion approved.

Subdividing Farmland: Joe Bear made the motion to approve subdivision of farmland for RJD Machining, Guy James second the motion, roll call vote: Joe Bear, yes, Guy James, yes, Kevin Knott, yes, Zach Wells, yes, and Jim White, yes, motion approved.

Ordinance 091420B: Kevin Knott made the motion to pass Ordinance 091420B approving and authorizing execution of TIF agreement with RJD Machining, Joe Bear second the motion, roll call vote:

Joe Bear, yes, Guy James, recuse, Raymond Cunningham, yes, Kevin Knott, yes, Zach Wells, yes, and Jim White, recuse, motion approved.

Maintenance program will be tabled until more information is available.

Concession/Restroom project: Zach Wells made the motion to purchase remaining items to finish the concession stand and restroom project not to exceed \$6,500.00 to be paid from TIF, Kevin Knott second the motion, roll call vote: Joe Bear, yes, Guy James, recuse, Raymond Cunningham, yes, Kevin Knott, yes, Zach Wells, yes, and Jim White, recuse, motion approved.

Cemetery Roof: Guy James made the motion to have Cemetery mower shed roof replaced not to exceed \$3,000.00, Zach Wells second the motion, roll call vote: Joe Bear, yes, Guy James, yes, Kevin Knott, yes, Zach Wells, yes, and Jim White, yes, motion approved.

Water Plant improvements: Jim White made the motion to approve renovations necessary to accommodate the cleaning and painting of the water tower not to exceed \$20,000.00, Kevin Knott second the motion, roll call vote: Joe Bear, yes, Guy James, yes, Kevin Knott, yes, Zach Wells, yes, and Jim White, yes, motion approved.

Water Plant improvements: Guy James made the motion to have Farnsworth to prepare an assessment of the Water Treatment plant and distribution system, and what will be needed to move forward for improvements and or replacement, Kevin Knott second the motion, roll call vote: Joe Bear, yes, Guy James, yes, Kevin Knott, yes, Zach Wells, yes, and Jim White, yes, motion approved.

Nuisance properties were reviewed. Mayor is still working on current property, and notices are going to be sent to other nuisance properties.

Adjourn: Jim White made the motion to adjourn, Kevin Knott second the motion, all in favor, motion approved. Adjourn 9:00pm

Posted: Sharon Jeffers, Village Clerk

Village of Homer
GAR Cemetery Board Meeting
September 23, 2020
7:00am

Those present: Cemetery Board, Joe Bear, Ray Cunningham, Larry Anders, Billy Mitchell, and Clerk, Sharon Jeffers.

The roof on the mower shed is in the process of being replaced.

Mower: Billy Mitchell made the motion to make recommendation to Village Board to purchase new mower from Double Y in the amount of \$3,778.00 plus trade in of oldest mower, Ray Cunningham second the motion, all in favor, motion approved.

Trees: There are three trees that need to be removed and are too big for Maintenance Department. Billy Mitchell is going to get bids to remove trees.

Clean up day will be October 25th at 1:00pm

Morrisons grave still needs to be repaired.

Historical Society is paying to repair board and one side.

Adjourn: Ray Cunningham made the motion to adjourn, Billy Mitchell second the motion, all in favor, motion approved. Adjourn: 8:17am

Posted: Sharon Jeffers, Village Clerk

Village of Homer
Water/Drainage Committee Meeting
Wednesday, September 16, 2020
10:00 AM Village Hall, 500 E. Second Street

Attending: Guy James, Joe Bear, Ryan Byerley, Jim White, Ray Cunningham

Meeting called to order at 10:00 AM

The committee discussed the drainage for the 13.5 acre parcel owned by the village to the immediate west of the village hall. The committee did not see a drainage problem with the parcel and it is suitable to build upon.

The committee decided to recommend to the village board to create an RFP for drainage including:

- 1) Rerouting the tile going north from Second Street either east to the village drain tile or west to the corner of Second Street and Church Street depending on the location of RDJ Machining and the recommendation of the contractor.
- 2) Replace and enlarge the tile going north from Church and Second Street including a new manhole at the corner of Church and Second Street.
- 3) Drainage work is to be done as soon as possible.

At 10:55 the committee went outside to examine the location of the drainage tile from south of Second Street north into the 13.5 acre parcel.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:00 am.