

LEGISLATIVE/LICENSING COMMITTEE MEETING

CALEDONIA VILLAGE HALL

5043 CHESTER LANE, RACINE, WI 53402

Monday October 12, 2020

1. Call to Order

Trustee Wanggaard called the meeting to order at 4:35 p.m. In attendance were:

Committee Members: Trustee Wanggaard and Trustee Prott. Also present were Trustee Martin, Trustee Wishau, and President Dobbs.

Absent: None.

Staff/Others Present: Administrator Tom Christensen, Fire Chief Dick Roeder, and Public Works Director Tom Lazcano.

2. Approval of minutes

Trustee Prott motioned to approve the minutes as printed from August 10, 2020. Trustee Wanggaard seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

3. Title 5 Public Safety, Sec. 5-2-2(a) Adoption of State and National Codes

Chief Roeder explained that the codes that are being referenced are invalid and would need to be updated to reflect current standards. Chief Roeder will continue to work with the attorneys to bring the references up to date.

Motion by Trustee Prott to approve Title 5 Public Safety, Sec. 5-2-2(a) Adoption of State and National Codes. Trustee Wanggaard seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

4. Third Party Inspections and Reporting Systems – Brycer, LLC

Chief Roeder explained that the sprinkler, alarm and hood systems operated within Caledonia are supposed to be maintained and inspected annually. This third-party inspection company works with the contractors and are reported directly to Brycer's reporting system. There is no cost to the Village and the moderate cost is solely the responsibility of the contractor. The Village typically conducts two inspections per year, but this year has proven difficult with the pandemic. Brycer handles multiple municipalities and has a good reputation with bringing in compliance.

Motion by Trustee Prott to approve the Third-Party Inspections and Reporting Systems – Brycer, LLC and forward to the Board for consideration and approval. Trustee Wanggaard seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

5. Concrete Driveways in Non-Curb and Gutter Areas

Lazcano explained that he would like to update this Ordinance. The current ordinance states that concrete can go up to 5 feet from the road if a hold harmless agreement is signed. This Ordinance would allow for concrete to go to the road. The Village historically did not want concrete to go over the culverts because we did not have the saws to cut through concrete and that the plows could potentially hit the concrete, potentially ruin the plows. If concrete is used, the pitch would need to be adjusted to avoid the plows and any culvert replacements would

be the owner's responsibility solely. When usually the Village splits the cost of a culvert replacement. The Engineering Dept. would still verify that the culvert was installed appropriately.

Motion by Trustee Prott to recommend approval pending that policy be reviewed by legal counsel and forward to authorized bodies for final approval. Trustee Wanggaard seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

6. Discussion on the role of the CDA and Review Resolution 2006-07

Trustee Wanggaard reviewed Resolution 2006-07 and felt a lot of the CDA's duties came from the Economic Development Committee (EDC) and was meant to do what was best for the Village, but clearly it needs to be revitalized. Planning Director Wagner will review the CLUE study to see if there are any relevant issues that could be potentially forwarded to the CDA. Trustee Wishau spoke of a memo from the EDC that was sent to the CDA outlining some responsibilities and felt the EDC memo should be re-reviewed for further direction, specifically the marketing to improve the economic status of the Village. He will forward a clean copy of this referenced memo and EDC strategies to the Deputy Clerk to forward to interested parties.

Trustee Martin stated she is having a difficult time maintaining the CDA because they have been asking for direction for 8 months. She was worried if direction wasn't provided in a timely manner, the CDA members might quit. Trustee Wanggaard hoped this could be done by the end of October and could be brought back to L&L in November for further discussion. Trustee Prott saw value in the CDA and felt the Village Board needs to come up with new strategies or parameters to work under. He felt the CDA needed to continue to focus on blighted issues. Streeter spoke of working on blight for three years and will continue to but it's not enough to fill their agenda. Trustee Martin thought the CDA was set by legislation, and if they want the CDA to operate differently it should be disbanded and reclassified. Trustee Martin wants the CDA to be a functional body under the statute.

Wagner explained that at the Village Board, he brought up relevant programs and thought a business retention and expansion (BRE) program could be administered by the CDA. The BRE program's purpose is to go out with the existing business program and find out if the Village could improve policies to retain and expand business in Caledonia. He will research programs on blight and redevelopment but wants to ensure that the CDA is not doing redundant work that RCEDC and Village staff is doing.

Trustee Wanggaard noted that emails in support of the CDA were received from Nancy Washburn and Martha Hutsick.

7. Adjournment

There being no further business, Motion by Trustee Prott to adjourn the meeting at 5:30 p.m. Trustee Wanggaard seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Joslyn Hoeffert
Deputy Village Clerk