

CITY OF ELKHORN
Finance & Judicial Committee
(Aldermen Howie Reynolds, Chair; Julie Taylor; Scott McClory)

Lower Conference Room, 9 S. Broad Street, Elkhorn, Wisconsin

January 8, 2007

Chairman Howie Reynolds called the Finance and Judicial Committee to order at 5:33 p.m. followed by roll call.

ROLL CALL

Present: Aldermen Howie Reynolds, Julie Taylor, Scott McClory

Also present: City Administrator Sam Tapson, City Clerk Nancy Jacobson, Municipal Judge Thomas Meyer

ELECTED OFFICIALS SALARY

Motion (McClory/Taylor) recommend to Council to approve a 3% pay adjustment for Elected Officials to include Aldermen, Mayor and Municipal Judge. Motion carried by the majority present.

In discussion, City Administrator Tapson presented Committee with a survey of area communities.

LAND LEASE PROPOSAL: DEHAAN

Committee directed the City Administrator to continue a dialogue with Richard DeHaan concerning a lease agreement of land located west of the DeHaan recreational vehicle business at S.T.H. "67" that belongs to the City of Elkhorn. In discussion, Committee preferred a 10-year lease rather than 50-year with an automatic renewal that would not be callable for the first 10 years. Committee also considered a 24-month cancellation clause and that site restoration would be limited and at the discretion of the City.

DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT: FAIR MEADOWS

Committee discussed the development agreement for Fair Meadows Subdivision. Committee asked that the 6 duplex lots be rephrased as three duplex lots. Alderman Taylor asked about the paving of driveways which are in the restrictive covenants. Her suggestion was to require the driveways to be concrete, stone or brick pavers. She expressed concern over the homes that butt up to the Bielinski subdivision to require minimum floor space. Tapson said he will meet with Tom Neshek to discuss these issues.

HVAC CONTRACT

Motion (Reynolds/Taylor) to approve the HVAC contract with WESTENN for \$8,722 for services starting January 2007 continuing through December 2007.

Motion carried by the majority present.

POSTPONED SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS

Motion (McClory/Reynolds) to recommend to Council adoption of a resolution to vacate the Deferred Special Assessments for sanitary sewer Project 80-2 that includes the Voss Road Lift Station Project. Motion carried by the majority present.

In discussion, City Administrator Tapson said that Project 80-2 has approximately \$129,000 in deferred assessments. The deferred special assessments go beyond 20 years. In his research, City code says that deferred specials go out 20 years. It is not clear as to what happens after that. Properties assessed in Project 80-2 no longer connect to the Voss Road Lift Station. They are now being assessed for the North Annexation sewer project. Tapson asked for specific action on Project 80-2. The City Clerk and City Administrator will investigate further the other deferred specials as to whether any were recorded with the County and the status of each. The findings will be brought back to Committee for further review and possibly action.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion (McClory/Taylor) to adjourn at 6 p.m. Motion carried by the majority present.

Nancy B. Jacobson
City Clerk