

## MINUTES OF THE MAY 18, 2006 REGULAR BOARD MEETING

Authority Board Meeting

1 P.M.

**CALL TO ORDER/ ROLL CALL:** Meeting was called to order by Chairman Blanchard at 1:01 p.m. Commissioners present were Richard Barnum, Mike Herzog, Jeff Bither and Dean Blanchard. None Absent. Also present were Richard Pierson, Tom Wheat and Nancy Smith.

**REVIEW AND SET THE AGENDA:** A motion was made by Barnum and seconded by Bither to set the agenda as presented. **Motion carried, all ayes.**

**MINUTES OF THE APRIL 20, 2006 REGULAR BOARD MEETING:** Blanchard on a question on the meaning of a paragraph concerning a mini-contract for engineering costs. Pierson clarified that statement. Bither then made a motion to accept the minutes as presented. The motion was seconded by Barnum. **Motion carried, all ayes.**

**HEAR THOSE PRESENT:** There were none present to be heard.

### **CORRESPONDENCE:**

Jeff Bither

Memo on Sherman Lake

Memo concerns the Y-Camp contract and the benefits to residents of Sherman Lake.

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Grinder pump repair

Grinder pump unit leaking and we are responsible for the pump. In 2004, after we had repaired the pump, a bill was submitted that has never been cleared up. He would like us to reimburse him for \$1925.00 Following some discussion, Bither made a motion that *we pay him \$925. and ask him to sign off as far as us having any further obligation for the past expense.* Barnum seconded the motion. **Motion carried, all ayes.**

Joe Gesmundo

Tamarron process

A memorandum concerning the necessary steps that would need to happen in order to have a project including Tamarron and Cotter's Ridge.

Joe Gesmundo

Follow up email

A follow up email concerning the above memorandum to Joe. AVB still owns about 42% of the property so if he agrees we probably will have a project. Some people have experienced failed systems. Cost to homeowners would be \$15,000 to \$17,000 per home. We have had no response from ABV as of this date.

Jim Schultz

Proposed Hillcrest Contract

Letter with proposed Hillcrest contract for wastewater for review by Village of Augusta council and attorney. We will pay for their attorney, Don Schmidt, to review.

Robert Boyle, et al

Project completed

Project completed and Balkema Excavating did fine work.

Mike Chojnowski

Tiburon Condominium easement

Memorandum agreeing to keep Ms. Rosemary Woodward posted and new easements needed for rewriting of original to better accommodate new proposed plat. (See project update.)

Luke Austenfeld

Y-Camp contract revision

Email to Luke & Jeff re: revised contract with new Exhibit G for approval.. A motion was made by Barnum and seconded by Bither to approve contract as amended (Exhibit G). The Y-Camp and Ross have signed. **Motion carried, all ayes.**

Bob Simonton, et al

Easement

Proposed easement on Bowling Alley/Pizza King property. Highway changes could make difference in expense of staying in the road which would be the better way to go. Project to be reviewed again.

## **PROJECT UPDATE**

Sherman Lake/Y-Camp

Possible User Fee Deferment

Some time ago in part of the negotiations with the Y-Camp, Pierson had indicated if they would hook to the sewer upon completion, we would grant them 10 years of free user service. That is really not feasible, but under the gravity option we do need them to hook (and we will be hooking them as part of the project) because we need their flow to keep the lines clean. A 5 yr. deferment of user fees might be possible. Held in abeyance until decision on gravity.

DeDoes/Mulholland

Done/Thank You

Pierson stated that bill has been received from Balkema for \$32,500 which was a figure agreed to prior to work. Have also received a bill for an additional \$2,500. DeDoes had two tanks that were not hooked to the original system (we would not aware of this) and we feel that DeDoes should pay that bill. A motion was made by Bither and seconded by Herzog *to send \$2,500 bill to DeDoes for payment.* **Motion carried, all ayes.**

Vineyard & Cranes Pond

Waiting for control panels

Cranes Pond hope to have 1<sup>st</sup> home (Sales Office and Model Home) in the Parade of Homes.

Hillcrest Water

Update on well drilling

Tom Wheat reported on this project. Had several surprises such as a buried fuel tank and gas tank. There was no sign of leakage, but 24 hr. test was submitted and if all is OK project will move ahead. Drillers also found several old wells on the property which have been filled.

Hillcrest Sewer

Draft Contract sent to Augusta

The contract is in Augusta's hands. *Pierson to pursue this issue.*

31<sup>st</sup> Street Water

Brent Gould has scheduled to do one connection a week along with his existing schedule.

14<sup>th</sup> Street Sewer

Cooper

Cooper may be our next busiest township. There are possibly 3 new projects happening there in the near future.

Dollar General

34<sup>th</sup> Street – redesign

Handled above.

Tiburon Condominium

Release of Easement

New developer wants curvy road. Old easement was for 66 ft. needs to be quick claimed and new easement written for 25 ft either side of centerline of new road. A motion was made by Barnum and seconded by Herzog to allow for a new 25 foot easement over our main line, and to have the County quit-claim the existing 66' ROW. **Motion carried, all ayes.**

**NEW BUSINESS**

Flow Study Costs

Prein and Newhof

Wheat explained graph and the need to update for \$3,005.00 (this bill was included in this months statement). Now we need to consider doing the rest of our sewer area.

Board to consider \$3005.00 with bills payable.

GIS Presentation and Proposal

Dan Frizzo

Frizzo reviewed the items that GIS could do for us and also went over the proposal for the program. Following discussion by the Board, it was decided that GIS would be a very useful tool to our office and Herzog made the motion to move ahead and order the program for \$29,500.00. Frizzo indicated that September, 2006 was a realistic date for delivery. Motion was seconded by Barnum. **Motion carried, all ayes.**

## **OLD BUSINESS**

Adverse possession  
*Pierson is to send letter today.*

201 + 2010 issues – Regional  
Pierson reviewed for the Board.

Augusta proposal  
Pierson showed dollar difference if we delete the high and low anomalies. *Pierson to prepare recommendation.*

Galesburg  
The City of Galesburg does not appear to wish to cooperate with us in an agreement to service the houses along our gravity sewer within the City. We have an existing problem with last house on 37<sup>th</sup> St. which is hooked to the sewer but not paying bills. *Pierson is to work on options for action.*

Connection Fee Maps  
*Pierson will continue to work on the Connection Fee Maps for discussion at the next meeting.*

Commercial Review  
*Pierson to bring this to the Board upon completion.*

## **FINANCIAL REVIEW/PAY BILLS**

The Financial reports were reviewed and a motion was made by Bither to accept them as presented, authorize the standard bills paid and pay the Prein and Newhof billing for month in the amount of \$12,243.54. The motion was seconded by Barnum. **Motion carried, all ayes.**

## **CLOSING COMMENTS**

### **ADJOURN MEETING TO JUNE 22, 2006.**

The meeting was adjourned by Chairman Blanchard at 3:10 p.m.

Submitted for Approval

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Michael Herzog-Secretary