

Village of Germantown Hills
Village Board Meeting Minutes
January 22, 2015 - 6:00 p.m.

1. Call to Order/Roll Call/Pledge of Allegiance

Village President Jeff DeGroot called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Village President/Trustees	Roll Call	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
Jeff DeGroot – President	Present													
John Ford	Present	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Brian Wysocki	Present	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Jim O’Laughlin	Present	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Marty Clinch	Present	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	P	Y	Y	Y	Y
Todd Rice	Absent	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Julia Miller	Present	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y

Also Present:
 Rich Brecklin, Superintendent of Public Works
 Chuck Urban, Village Attorney
 Bill Streeter, Village Attorney
 Scott DeSplinter, Village Engineer

Everyone stood and said the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. Minutes Approval

a. December 11, 2014, Village Board Meeting

A motion was made by John Ford to approve the December 11, 2014 village board meeting minutes. The motion was seconded by Jim O’Laughlin. **Motion passed #1.**

3. Public Comments on Any Action Item on the Agenda-None

4. Public Comments on Any Non-Action items-None

5. Current Agenda Items

a. Approval of Contractors Application for Payment for the Fandel Road Sanitary Sewer Extension Project

Scott DeSplinter updated the board on the progress of the Fandel Road sewer extension project. He stated they are replacing the manhole along Prairie and will do a final restoration weather permitting.

A motion was made by John Ford to approve the Contractors Application for Payment for the Fandel Road Sanitary Sewer Extension Project in the amount of \$5,400. The motion was seconded by Brian Wysocki. **Motion passed #2.**

b. Approval of Contractor's Application for Payment #11 for WWTP No. 1 Improvements

A motion was made by Brian Wysocki to approve the contractors pay application for payment #11 in the amount of \$19,142.46 for WWTP No. 1 sewer improvements. The motion was seconded by Jim O'Laughlin. **Motion passed #3.**

c. Approval of Loan Disbursement Request #12 for WWTP No. 1 Improvements

A motion was made by Brian Wysocki to approve the loan disbursement request #12 in the amount of \$31,213.30 for the WWTP No. 1 sewer Improvements. The motion was seconded by Marty Clinch. **Motion passed #4.**

d. Approval of Change Order #7 for the WWTP No. 1 Improvements

A motion was made by John Ford to approval change order #7 for the WWTP No. 1 improvements in the amount of \$1,186.45. The motion was seconded by Marty Clinch. **Motion passed #5.**

e. Approval of CMT's 2015 General Engineering Agreement

A motion was made by Marty Clinch to approve CMT's 2015 general engineering agreement. The motion was seconded by Julia Miller. **Motion passed #6.**

f. Authorize the Village President to make an offer to purchase real property within the Village of Germantown Hills

This was deferred until after the closed session.

g. Discussion on the Fandel Road Sidewalk Drainage

Rich Brecklin discussed a possible solution to the drainage issue on the sidewalk along Fandel Road to handle the ground water. There was consensus with the board to move forward with the proposed solution by installing a trench drain up to \$20,000.

h. Approval of Contractor's Application for Payment for the Jubilee/Flag Pole Lighting Project

Scott DeSplinter stated this would be deferred until he receives all of the documents. Ann Sasso reported she is checking on whether or not the lighting can be considered as a part of the energy grant.

6. Ongoing Agenda Items-None.

7. Presentation of Bills

a. General

A motion was made by John Ford approve the general bills. The motion was seconded by Marty Clinch. **Motion passed #7.**

b. Sewer

A motion was made by John Ford to approve the sewer bills. The motion was seconded by Jim O'Laughlin. **Motion passed #8.**

c. Audit-None

d. MFT

A motion was made by Brian Wysocki to approve the MFT bill. The motion was seconded by John Ford. **Motion passed #9.** Marty Clinch abstained from voting.

8. Reports of Standing Committees

a. Finance

John Ford stated he would be scheduling a meeting in February.

b. Streets/Equipment

Todd Rice was not in attendance.

c. Personnel

Jim O'Laughlin reported the two new employees are doing well and he will be scheduling a meeting for their 90 day performance review.

d. Police

Marty Clinch had nothing new to report.

e. Parks

Julia Miller had nothing new to report.

f. Sewer

Brian Wysocki would like to have a sewer committee meeting in February.

Bill Streeter updated the board on the Foth litigation. There was a hearing and they are making progress.

g. Economic Development Council

Marty Clinch stated Mike Hinrichsen had sent a letter to the Woodford Journal concerning the economic development. The letter gave Germantown Hills kudos on what we are doing for the community. Marty noted even though Woodford County is not on board as much as we would like we will be successful with or without the support.

Ann Sasso stated at the Peoria Metro meeting Jennifer Daly reported FFCI has merged with the Greater Peoria Economic Development Council where the strategies put together will be carried out. The EDC found a model to adopt to allow for a broader board that will meet quarterly with an executive committee that will serve as the operating board.

A committee to discuss the MTCO Park met and will put together a master plan as we are starting to secure donations of labor and materials for the development of the park. A discussion will take place at the next EDC meeting on February 12th. They are also looking at putting up a LED sign for MTCO Park and it makes sense for the Village's welcome sign to be incorporated into the same sign and location. The board agreed.

The Chamber has an ad-hoc committee working on updating their goals and objectives noting tasks that need to be implemented in order to meet those goals.

9. Reports of Special Committees-None

10. Reports of Officers

a. Zoning Officer Village Clerk

Germantown Grille has been approached by an area resident to do a St. Jude's benefit on May 2nd at Germantown Crossing. The Village Board agreed that they will assist as they did for the July event last year.

There was a house along Fandel Road where the building setback was questioned, but it appears to be in the proper location.

b. Superintendent of Public Works-Rich Brecklin reported the following:

The flag pole at the old PNC Bank is going to be used at the Village hall.

Streets/Equipment-We now have the new truck and have plenty of sand and salt on hand.

Sewer-The Fandel Road sewer extension is complete other than restoration. The plant improvements are going great.

The sewer lining is being done in Whispering Oaks. The effluent flow meter has died so this will need to be replaced. The employees will be attending a Julie safety workshop on locating pipeline.

We need to put together a storm water committee prior to March 1st. Bill Streeter stated the code will need to be amended to create the new committee.

Scott DeSplinter reported the road surveys have been completed and they are working on a draft plan once the title work is completed. They are working with IDOT to get the vertical alignment for right of way needs with a projected April bid letting.

c. Village Attorney-Bill Streeter stated the Village received a foreclosure notice on a property.

Cottingham Culvert-Bill Streeter reported he had talked with the Barton's attorney and informed him that the Superintendent does not want any more than 6 inches cut off the culvert since several feet have already been removed. The Barton's stated this was not acceptable. The Barton's had asked for a hearing in front of the Zoning Board but the culvert is not a zoning issue. Bill will send a response.

Chuck Urban reported they met with Don Fandel on the drainage issue. Chuck sent an email outlining the issues and is waiting for direction from the board. This will be put on the next agenda for discussion.

d. **Village President**-Jeff DeGroot had nothing new to report.

11. **Communications to the Board**

Jim O'Laughlin reported that Arnie Edwards is running for the Village board and there will be a fundraiser for him in March as he is fighting Lymphoma.

Ann Sasso stated the Village Board had received a letter from Don Niemi noting support on taking care of the road issues in Germantown Hills.

12. **Executive Session:** Approval of Closed Session pursuant to Section 2(c) (5) of the Open Meetings Act, to discuss the purchase or lease of real property

A motion was made by Brian Wysocki to go into executive session at 7:23 p.m. pursuant to Section 2(c) (5) of the Open Meetings Act, to discuss the purchase or lease of real property. The motion was seconded by John Ford. **Motion passed #10.**

A motion was made by Julia Miller to adjourn the executive session at 7:30 p.m. The motion was seconded by Marty Clinch. **Motion passed #11.**

A motion was made by Jim O'Laughlin to authorize the Village President to make an offer of the appraised value of \$40,000 to purchase the property at 102 Holland Road in Germantown Hills. The motion was seconded by Marty Clinch. **Motion passed #12.**

13. **Adjournment**

A motion was made by Brian Wysocki to adjourn the meeting at 7:31 p.m. The motion was seconded by Jim O'Laughlin. **Motion passed #13.**

Ann Sasso
Village Clerk