

Village of Germantown Hills
Village Board Meeting Minutes

March 24, 2016 - 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 - 15
Jeff DeGroot – President	Present													
Amy Pace	Present	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y					
Brian Wysocki	Present	P	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y					
Jim O’Laughlin	Present	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y					
Marty Clinch	Present	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y					
Julia Miller	Present	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y					
Todd Rice	Present	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y					

Also Present:

Rich Brecklin, Superintendent of Public Works
 Bill Streeter & Chuck Urban, Village Attorney's
 Scott DeSplinter, Village engineer

2. Minutes Approval

a. February 25, 2016, Village Board Meeting

A motion was made by Julia Miller to approve the February 25, 2016 Village board meeting minutes as amended. The motion was seconded by Todd Rice. **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. Discussion on the Michael's 5K Run for Life

Representatives for Michael's 5K Run for Life will be attending the next meeting to give an update on the event.

b. Discussion and approval of a Resolution approving the Release of Covenant not to sell the lots separately

Ann Sasso explained the history of Lots 105 & 106 in Fandel Farm Subdivision. The property owner originally asked to make some improvements to the two lots they owned in Fandel Farm and the Village at the time executed a covenant on the lots to not be sold separately so the improvements could be made on the lots. The building improvements they proposed to do would have required variances. The property owners didn't make the improvements as they had planned and now they would like to sell the lots separately. The ZBA approved a variance for part of their fence on Lot 105 so both lots are in compliance with the Village code. In order for the owners to sell the lots the Village needs to release the covenant on the property.

A motion was made by Julia Miller to approve Resolution 2016-01 a Resolution approving the release of covenant not to sell the lots separately with the variance payment of \$100 towards the Village incurred costs. The motion was seconded by Jim O'Laughlin. **Motion passed #2.**

Todd Rice stated he voted against this since he didn't think the payment should be required.

c. Discussion and possible action on the sewer infrastructure for the Germantown Hills Middle School Expansion Project and IDOT Utility Permit

Brian Wysocki stated he wanted to make sure the board members were up to date on what is going on with the discussions with the School on the building expansion and connection to the sewer system. Rich Brecklin explained the School had sent plans on how they were proposing to hook on to the Village sewer which had part of the sewer going to their pump station and part going to the Combs Cove lift station. They also wanted to install a valve in order to divert all their flow to the Combs Cove lift station if there was ever a need. The Village is not going to allow this as an option. The School will need to get an EPA permit and the Village is not going to sign the permit if they don't build the sewer as the Village has proposed. Brian Wysocki stated the Village has been trying to do this in good faith and is not sure why the School keeps trying to change the plans when we are trying to do what's best for all. The board discussed and agreed to have Bill Streeter send a letter identifying what has been previously discussed and agreed upon.

d. Approval of an Ordinance amending the Germantown Hills Village Code, Village of Germantown Hills, Illinois regarding duties of the Public Works Team Lead

When the Public Works Team Lead position was created there was a statement in each job description that was missing. The adoption of these two ordinances will fix the missing information.

A motion was made by Julia Miller to approve Ordinance #761 an Ordinance amending the Germantown Hills Village Code, Village of Germantown Hills, Illinois regarding duties of the Public Works Team Lead. The motion was seconded by Todd Rice. **Motion passed #3.**

e. Approval of an Ordinance amending the Germantown Hills Village Code, Village of Germantown Hills, Illinois regarding the duties of the Public Works Maintenance Worker

A motion was made by Brian Wysocki to approve Ordinance #762 an Ordinance amending the Germantown Hills Village Code, Village of Germantown Hills, Illinois regarding the duties of the Public Works Maintenance Worker. The motion was seconded by Julia Miller. **Motion passed #4.**

f. Approval to authorize the Village President to sign final loan documents on sewer plant 1 projects # L171019 and L174918

A motion was made by Amy Pace to approve authorizing the Village President to sign final loan documents on sewer plant 1 projects # L171019 and L174918. The motion was seconded by Brian Wysocki. **Motion passed #5.**

6. Ongoing Agenda Items-None

7. Presentation of Bills

a. General

A motion was made by Jim O'Laughlin to approve the general bills. The motion was seconded by Todd Rice. **Motion passed #6.**

b. Sewer

A motion was made by Jim O'Laughlin to approve the sewer bills. The motion was seconded by Marty Clinch. **Motion passed #7.**

c. Audit-None

d. MFT-None

8. Reports of Standing Committees

a. Finance-Amy Pace had nothing new to report.

b. Streets/Equipment-Todd Rice noted the bids went out for the MFT and will be opened on April 6th. The board agreed if the bids are in line Rich Brecklin has authorization to sign the agreement like he did last year. Todd Rice stated he would set up a meeting to discuss direction of the board on any overage issue.

Todd noted he would like the Holland Road sidewalk to be on the next agenda so we can approve taking the project out for bids. Scott DeSplinter has estimated the engineering cost around \$5500.

c. Personnel-Julia Miller stated she will be having a meeting in April.

d. Police-Marty Clinch had nothing new to report.

e. Parks-Julia Miller had nothing new to report.

f. Sewer-Brian Wysocki stated one of the pumps in the Fandel Farm lift station had failed. Rich explained what had happened.

g. Storm Water-Jim O'Laughlin stated he would be scheduling a meeting to discuss the new storm water rules.

Jim O'Laughlin reported he had signed a new electrical aggregation agreement for the Village for 3 years.

h. Economic Development Council-Ann Sasso sent a notice to all of the businesses about the enterprise zone, Business Community Improvement Grant and lighting ordinance. She also notified the school, library, fire department, and Caterpillar Trail on the compliance date for the lighting ordinance.

Greg Harman is applying for a BCIP Grant for a new sign. Justin Nena is working with the sign company to try and get all of the business owners to fit on the sign. Currently the total sign square footage is over the allowable space. He is going to see what can be done but may need to request a variance since they are trying to fit 10 different business names on the sign. He also asked about an LED sign and the need to have it bigger due to the property size, topography and location. The variance process was discussed and the board may be inclined to amend the code on the variance requirements. The board agreed to schedule a special meeting to discuss.

The library is having their ground breaking on March 30th at 10:00 a.m. and Goodfield State Bank is having an afterhours event on April 6th from 4-6 The LiveGP site is up with Germantown Hills information on it.

Ann noted the Chamber put together welcome packets for new residents. A number of us stuffed the bags and are delivering them to new residents in the community. GPEDC is doing bags for new people to our region and are asking communities to include something in the bags. Ann Sasso will get an item to be included in each bag.

9. Reports of Special Committees-None

10. Reports of Officers

a. Zoning Officer/Village Clerk/Village Administrator

The landscape dumpster is coming April 1st. Tri-County Planning Commission gave an update on the Natural Hazard Mitigation plan. Tri County is waiting to hear back from FEMA on what they need to do to hire a consultant.

The ITEP grant is going to be available May 1st. This is for multi-use bicycle and walking paths. Ann checked on the RTP grant with the State and there is nothing moving forward until there is a budget approved.

b. Superintendent of Public Works

Rich reported the ball diamond is in need of repair at J.R. White Park. The cost is \$3,000. The welcome sign can be ordered soon but they will take 6-8 weeks. We are working on a specific location on the GHAA property. The new flag poles have been ordered.

Rich has talked with Chip Wilmot about disaster preparedness.

The Safe Routes to School project is going out for bid in June. Rich is still checking on crack filling options.

c. Village Attorney-Bill Streeter had nothing new to report.

d. Village President-Jeff DeGroot reminded the board Ann's compensation would not need to be addressed as a part of this year's evaluation process since it was already agreed upon.

11. Communications to the Board-None

12. Adjournment

A motion was made by Brian Wysocki to adjourn the meeting at 7:18 p.m. The motion was seconded by Julia Miller. **Motion passed #8.**

Ann Sasso
Village Clerk