

Village of Germantown Hills
Village Board Meeting Minutes

February 15, 2018 6:00 p.m.

- 1. Call to Order/Roll Call/Pledge of Allegiance-** Mike Hinrichsen, Village President, 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
Mike Hinrichsen – President	Present													
Julia Miller	Present	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y					
Amy Pace	Present	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y					
Brian Wysocki	Present	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y					
Jim O’Laughlin	Present	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y					
Marty Clinch	Present	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y					
Todd Rice	Present	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y					

Everyone stood and said the Pledge of Allegiance. Mike Hinrichsen stated that he would like to do a moment of silence for those serving our Country both near and afar.

Also, in attendance:

- Bill Streeter & Chuck Urban, Village Attorney’s
- Rich Brecklin, Superintendent of Public Works
- Scott DeSplinter, Village engineer
- Barry Logan, Woodford County Board Member
- Chuck Nagel, Candidate for Woodford County Board
- Ansel Burditt, Candidate for Woodford County Board

2. Minutes Approval

- a. January 18, 2018 Village Board Meeting-** A motion was made by Jim Laughlin to approve the January 18, 2018 Village board meeting minutes. The motion was seconded by Todd Rice. **Motion passed #1.**

3. Public Comments on Any Action Item on the Agenda

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

Chuck Nagel, candidate for the Woodford County Board was in attendance.

Barry Logan who is currently on the Woodford County Board and is running again for District 2 asked for support but is also asking for support of Ansel Burditt and Chuck Nagel. He feels they will be a welcome addition to the board.

Ansel Burditt was in attendance and gave some history on his experience and what issues he plans to focus on that make him a good candidate for a Woodford County Board member. He encouraged everyone to look at all 3 of them as they will look at what's best for the Woodford County citizens.

5. Current Agenda Items

a. Discussion and approval of the St. Jude event

Nikki Lueddecke was in attendance to discuss the St. Jude event. They are proposing to hold it at Germantown Grille on May 12th this year and asked if the board could help again. She reviewed last year's success and they were able to raise approximately \$6,000 for St. Jude.

A motion was made by Marty Clinch to approve the St. Jude event for May 12th with the Village providing portable toilets and the fencing for the event. The motion was seconded by Jim O'Laughlin. **Motion passed #2.**

b. Discussion and acceptance of construction plans in reference to the Village Subdivision Ordinance for the Woods at Germantown Hills Subdivision

Scott DeSplinter stated he had completed his review of the construction plans for the Woods at Germantown Hills and they comply with the Village's Subdivision Ordinance. There were two items in regards to maintenance and safety of the detention ponds. The Developer will add agreeable language to the final plat as well as make it clear in the covenants and restrictions that the Home Owners Association must be formed and must be responsible for perpetual maintenance. The attorney will put together the language for review. Instead of a fence, they will create custom signage and install this signage near the detention pond on every lot line. This would be a total of 6 or 7 locations in Section One. There will be language that will bind the property owners individually for recourse if the HOA is not formed yet or is defunct.

Scott indicated the construction plans are in compliance with the Subdivision Ordinance and will work with Bill to adjust the language for the Village signature line.

A motion was made by Jim O'Laughlin to accept the construction plans in reference to the Village Subdivision Ordinance for the Woods at Germantown Hills Subdivision. The motion was seconded by Amy Pace. **Motion passed #3.**

Jim O'Laughlin stated after our last meeting he assumed everything was good in terms of the Township's drainage concerns. He then got a call from the Township that it's not acceptable with the Township. Farrell Lord presented a list of concerns and questions. Mike Hinrichsen, Rich Brecklin and Jim met with some Township representatives and discussed the drainage. It was discussed that the developer has done everything they need to meet the Village requirements. Mike Hinrichsen stated the other issue is that Woodford County doesn't have any controls in place.

Mike thanked Joe LaHood for working with the Village. Joe LaHood noted they are excited about the development.

c. Approval of contractor's application for payment for the WWTP Peak Flow Phase I

A motion was made by Brian Wysocki to approve the contractor's application for payment for the WWTP Peak Flow Phase 1 in the amount of \$136,494.00. The motion was seconded by Julia Miller. **Motion passed #4.**

Scott DeSplinter stated the project has started and its going well. Scott updated the board on what has been done to date. The contractor is going out of his way to work with Joe Clark on the tree issue since more are needing to be removed than previously thought.

d. Discussion and approval of a lease agreement for the cable tower property

Bill Streeter updated the board on what had happened since the last meeting. Bill had made an offer to them on the rental that wasn't feasible to them. They countered with another offer. They would like the Village to consent to the transfer and talk next year when the lease is up. They indicated there are no tenants on the tower at this time. Bill has not heard back from them at this time.

e. Discussion and recommended action on a complaint on property in Whispering Oaks Subdivision

Ann Sasso explained the condition of a property in Whispering Oaks that the Village has received several complaints about. The board discussed and indicated the need to follow the code for any violations. Ann will send a notice on the weeds and vehicle.

f. Discussion and approval of implementation of the Nixle program

Amy Pace explained Nixle which is a cloud-based software that will be an alert system to our Village residents. The program is free and is something residents will have to subscribe to.

A motion was made by Marty Clinch to approve the implementation of the Nixle program. The motion was seconded by Todd Rice. **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 Amy Pace. **Motion passed #6.**

b. Sewer-A motion was made by Brian Wysocki to approve the sewer bills. The motion was seconded by Julia Miller. **Motion passed #7.**

c. Audit-None

d. MFT-None

8. Reports of Standing Committees

a. **Finance**-Amy Pace noted there was a meeting on February 8th.

Amy Pace noted there are have been some local CPR classes offered in Woodford County.

Amy reported about the PIO meetings she and Ann have been attending and has recommended Ann attend a basic PIO meeting in May in Peoria.

Amy Pace noted the May board meeting will need to be changed due to graduation. The board agreed to change it to May 10th after the EDC meeting.

- b. Streets/Equipment-**Todd Rice stated the employees are doing a great job with the snow removal.

The board discussed the two radar signs along Rt. 116 that are not working. Ann Sasso noted she has put in calls to IDOT to make sure they know they need to be repaired.

- c. Personnel-**Julia Miller will be scheduling a meeting soon.

- d. Police-**Marty Clinch stated had nothing to report at this time. Ann Sasso noted the Deputy has stated things are pretty quiet right now.

- e. Parks-** Julia Miller had nothing new to report. We are still waiting on the benches and signage for the J. R. White Park.

- f. Sewer-**Brian Wysocki is scheduling a sewer committee meeting on March 8th at 6:00 p.m.

- g. Storm Water-**Jim O'Laughlin thanked Mike, Rich and Scott for their help on the drainage questions on the Woods at Germantown Hills Subdivision.

- h. Economic Development Council-**Marty Clinch noted the EDC meeting was cancelled this month.

Ann Sasso reported at the CEDS meeting we discussed the strategy teams purpose and how the scorecard lines up with the CEDS. At the GPAT meeting we discussed the inbound marketing update, new website changes and the 2018 attraction calendar.

Ann noted Jim at ATC has another interested party in the vacancy in his building. The enterprise zone administrative board met and talked about the application and projects.

9. Reports of Special Committees-None

10. Reports of Officers

- a. Zoning Officer/Village Clerk/Village Administrator-**Ann Sasso reported at the EZ meeting we talked about other zoning issues. One item was how most communities have a solar ordinance so a draft ordinance will be put together for review. The other item was having a screening or buffer between zoning districts. A draft ordinance is being put together for review.

IDOT Bureau of Safety asked each District to submit locations for crosswalk installations or improvements on State Routes as part of a 100% federally funded program under the umbrella of Safe Routes to School program. Ann submitted our three crosswalk locations along Rt. 116 for consideration.

- c. **Superintendent of Public Works**-Rich Brecklin stated he is working with Adam from CMT on the MFT program and getting the bids out.

The trunk line work is going well. Rich is working on the renewing of the IEPA permit for plant 2. Rich noted he had met with Ann and Scott on the sewer finances to make sure we are on track.

- c. **Village Attorney**-Bill Streeter and Chuck Urban had nothing new to report.

- d. **Village President**-Mike Hinrichsen reported on the chamber meeting where Joel Shoemaker, Library Director gave a presentation. He noted how much Joel is engaged and how the Germantown Hills location has more books, programs and hours we were looking to have for our community.

Mike noted Chris Setti is the new CEO for GPEDC and Mike took over as the Chairman. They did a segment on WTVP.

Mike noted they are meeting with Woodford County this week. Mike reminded the board how they had passed having representation on the Tri-County Planning Commission board but it has not been approved yet by the County. Several communities have committed to being a part of Tri-County but they are still working on it.

Mike attended the Roanoke meeting on their comprehensive plan and the PPUATS meeting.

Mike noted we are checking on the Woodford County Revolving loan fund to see how it may help with Germantown Crossing. There are two grants available to the County and the applications are due by January 1, 2019.

Mike has talked with Ken Maurer about the Metamora-Germantown Hills brochure about pictures and content.

Mike noted he will be on vacation starting February 23rd.

11. Communications to the Board-The Village received a thank you note from Chris Setti for the Village's GPEDC investment.

12. Adjournment-A motion was made by Marty Clinch to adjourn the meeting at 7:17 p.m. The motion was seconded by Amy Pace. **Motion passed #8.**

Ann Sasso, Village Clerk