

MUNICIPAL BUILDING
VILLAGE OF ELK MOUND

The March 8, 2017 meeting of the Board of Trustees for the Village of Elk Mound was called to order by Tom Gilbert, Village President at 7:00 p.m. in the Municipal Building.

Patricia Hahn, Clerk-Treasurer, verified that proper notice of the meeting had been posted.

Roll call showed Steve Abraham, Brenda Carpenter, Tom Gilbert, Gregg Kipp, Rebecca Livingston, Tony Schrantz, and Terry Stamm present.

Public Appearance: None

Citizen's Forum - (Public Input)

Patricia Hahn reported that Jacob Hoag emailed her to ask if a group of students could use the Mound Hill to film a scene for their short film project. Jacob said that it would take a couple of hours and they could not wait until May 1 when the park opened.

The consensus of the Board was to allow the filming by the group.

Communications & Miscellaneous

Business as Permitted by Law

Patricia Hahn reported:
Each Board member has the draft attorney policy and draft closed session procedure to review. These items will be placed on the March 15th board agenda for action.

Received the first check from the DNR Environmental Improvement Program Interest Subsidy Grant Program in the amount of \$371.88. Patricia applied for this grant in 2015 after obtaining a State Trust Fund Loan in the amount of \$49,000 to purchase 264 new meters.

Received a letter from Deanna Briesemeister of Outdoors Realty/Affiliated with Homes for Heroes. Deanna would like to attend a Board meeting to explain the program.

Mark Levra reported:
South Garland has deteriorated and will be further inspected once things dry out.

It came up while plowing when we received 10 inches of snow on 2/14/17. We will evaluate the situation and needed repair once things dry out and all of the frost is out of the roadway. We are currently looking into funding options for worst case scenarios.

South Fir is beginning to show significant signs of wear and aging. It is badly broken up and has begun to heave and sink as the frost comes out. We will also evaluate the situation as it begins to dry out and warm up.

Highway H South (From Bridge to Park) after our last meeting I contacted Dustin Binder from Dunn County Highway Department about signage and center line marking on HWY H South. He stated that the County will conduct a traffic survey in the spring, but believes the changes on signage are slim to none. The center line guidelines are set by a field of vision and for State Aid they need to remain as is. He believes the issues lie elsewhere and are not a signage or marking issue. He can be contacted at 715-556-2293.

The School District has contacted me to request that The Mound Hill be opened on April 8, 2017 for the Annual Alumni Weekend. They plan to host a run from the High School to the top of the Mound Hill which is titled "Mounder Mile". I agreed to open the gate for them and will close it immediately following the event, weather permitting.

The Public Works Department is currently seeking out pricing on a new 72" Zero Turn Mower with a bagger attachment. We will be hoping to purchase before our early summer mowing season begins.

Unfinished Business: None

New Business:

Annual Review and Approval of (\$500) Village Park Lease Agreement with the Elk Mound School District

Carpenter/Gilbert moved and seconded a motion to approve the \$500 Village Park Lease Agreement with the Elk Mound School District as presented. Motion carried.

Solar Powered LED Stop Signs

Mark Levra reported that he spoke with Dustin Binder from the Dunn County Highway Department in regards to the possibility of signing intersections for HWY H and HWY 12 with LED Stop Signs if the Village were to purchase the signs. Dustin stated that he did not think that the County would allow this and is sure that the State would not allow it. He said that any Board member may contact him in regards to this issue at 715-556-2293. He said even if the Village paid for the signs, they become the responsibility and liability of the State and County. He said that the accident records are not present to warrant this type of signage.

Sign costs are: 24/7/265 Flashing Blinker Sign
LED Enhanced Signs – using the Village and the County Highway Departments discount would be \$1600.00 each. This price was through TAPCO.

Unlicensed, Untagged, Vehicles – in vicinity of Elk Mound Seed and to the West

The consensus of the Board was to have the Police Department talk to the owners.

Cost of Special Village Board Meetings

The cost for a Special Board meeting is \$375.00.

Viewing of possible land purchase and approval to contract for Engineer Study

Carpenter/Stamm moved and seconded a motion to have Cedar Corporation conduct a water system study to provide recommendations, needs, placement and estimated costs not to exceed \$12,000.00. Motion carried.

Gilbert/Schranz moved and seconded a motion to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried.