

CENTURIA VILLAGE BOARD MINUTES
April 9, 2012

The Village Board meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by President Markert, with Ryan Davison, Rod Peterson, and Stanley Swiontek absent. Gene Ludack made the motion, seconded by Steve Sylvester, to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

The motion was made by Steve, seconded by Gordy Moore, to approve the previous board minutes. Motion carried.

The motion was made by Gene, seconded by Steve, to approve the treasurer's report showing a balance of \$223,147.49 for the month of March. The receipts were \$6,574.46 and the disbursements were \$39,205.10. The TIF balance is \$38,535.17. Motion carried.

Dave Rasmussen from MSA was present with a contract for the administration of the CDBG for a cost of \$20,000. The total cost of the Highway 35/4th St. project is \$1,084,900, with the DOT contributing \$400,000 and the CDBG contributing \$325,000. That leaves the Village's share of \$349,990, which could be funded by a State Trust Fund Loan, which is currently at 3 ½%. Dave explained that they are working on extending the village's TIF out 13 more years, so that would bring it to the year 2040. The motion was made by Gene, seconded by Steve, to approve the contract with MSA. Motion carried.

MSA's contract for design and construction services was tabled until the May meeting.

Van presented the police report. He explained that they have been working on health and code violations. Unlicensed vehicles have been a problem. He reported on some vandalism at the Gandy Dancer Rest Area. They have been busy with gas drive-offs at the Centuria Stop. Officer John DuBois has been working with the Drug Task Force.

The motion was made by Gene, seconded by Gordy, to approve the contract for building inspection services from Clifford Manwiller through the end of the year, automatically renewable for a two-year term. Motion carried.

The motion was made by Steve, seconded by Gene, to approve Resolution #1-12 adopting Polk County's Natural Hazards Mitigation Plan as the Village of Centuria's official all hazards mitigation plan for 2011-2016. Motion carried.

The motion was made by Gordy, seconded by Gene, to set Spring Cleanup for the dates of April 23rd – April 30th. Motion carried.

Impact 7 had sent a letter informing the village that they would not be sending their \$4500 payment in lieu of taxes for the Gandy Dancer Housing Corporation this year, and were also indicating that they should have received prior amounts back. The agreement the village has

with I-7 states that the \$4500 can be used for its annual budget, unless I-7 has a specific project for the GDHC, which they have never stipulated. Now they would like to level the property, put in larger trees, etc, and are asking for the amount that is available for these projects. When the GDHC built the 8-unit elderly housing, I-7 was not to disturb the skating rink area because that was being used as a drainage basin for that area. The board would like a letter sent to I-7 inviting them to the next board meeting to discuss these issues.

Van Burch presented a letter informing the board that as of June 1st, 2012, he would be taking his personal time off until July 14th, 2012, at which time he would be retiring as Chief of Police. The motion was made by Gene, seconded by Gordy, to accept Van Burch's retirement. Motion carried. The Personnel Committee is recommending hiring John DuBois as Interim Chief starting June 1st, until the August board meeting, at which time a permanent decision will be made. They are also recommending keeping Dan Clement and allowing him to work part time hours not to exceed 40 hours per week. The motion was made by Gordy, seconded by Gene, to approve the recommendations set forth by the Personnel Committee. Motion carried.

Habitat for Humanity will have ground breaking on May 5th at 11:00 a.m. All board members are invited.

The motion was made by Gene, seconded by Steve, to pay the bills. Motion carried.

Jim Edgell stated that he considers the village's share of the CDBG to be a minimal amount. He would like to know what the cost would be to the tax payer on a \$100,000 home. Dave Markert asked that that be on next month's agenda.

The motion was made by Gene, seconded by Steve, to adjourn. Motion carried.

Judith A. Jepsen, Clerk