

VILLAGE OF ALGONQUIN  
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE  
Meeting Minutes  
Algonquin Village Hall Board Room  
March 24, 2015

**AGENDA ITEM 1:** Roll Call to Establish a Quorum

Present: Trustees Brian Dianis, Jerry Glogowski, Jim Steigert, John Spella, and Robert Smith and President John Schmitt

Absent: Trustee Debby Sosine

Staff Members Present: Tim Schloneger, Village Manager; Russ Farnum, Community Development Director; Michele Zimmerman, Assistant Public Works Director; and Andy Warmus, Utilities Superintendent. Brad Stewart, Village Attorney, and Jerry Kautz, Village Clerk, were also in attendance.

Chairperson Jerry Glogowski called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. and announced those in attendance. A quorum was established.

(Note: Trustee Sosine was seated at 7:35 p.m.)

**AGENDA ITEM 2:** Community Development

A. Special Use Permit for Scorched Earth Brewing Company (2015-01)/203 Berg Street

Mr. Farnum reported the owners of Scorched Earth Brewing Company, Michael and Jennifer Dallas, have applied for a Special Use Permit to add an outdoor beer garden patio at the brewery. The business opened in August 2014 and is located at 203 Berg Street in the Algonquin Industrial Park, just west of the U.S. Post Office on West Algonquin Road. The subject property is zoned I-1 Industrial; previously the tenant space was occupied and used as storage by Bob King Auctions. The B-1, B-2, and I-1 commercial districts allow for an outdoor patio; however, seating for greater than 12 customers requires a Special Use Permit. The outdoor patio would be constructed in front of the business and extend out into the parking lot from the building's sidewalk. The patio will be approximately 50 feet long by 20 feet wide and be raised up from the asphalt parking surface to the level of the sidewalk, most likely using concrete, pavers or a decking system. A total of six parking spaces would be impacted, including one handicap stall which shall be placed as close as possible to its current location. The loss of parking, though not ideal, is mitigated by several factors, including offset hours of operation amongst the neighboring businesses. The brewery is generally open to the public on evenings and weekends when the other tenants of the building are typically closed. Additionally, off-site parking will also be available for the business's customers via the neighboring industrial building to the west at 202 Berg Street. Specifically, the business owner obtained a letter of consent from the landlord who owns both properties, Algonquin Industries, stating that the brewery's patrons may use the adjacent lot for overflow parking. The patio would be open air and seasonal, with movable tables and chairs for approximately 50 people. The beer garden's hours would be similar to the brewery's public tap room hours. Staff is requiring that any shade umbrellas used on the tables be a solid color, and signage or advertising logos shall be prohibited. The patio will be fenced off according to liquor ordinance.

There was no opposition and consensus was to pass on to the Board for approval.

**AGENDA ITEM 3:** General Administration

A. Consider Public Event Request for the American Legion Memorial Day Parade, May 25, 2015, from the Algonquin Cemetery to Riverfront Park

Mr. Schloneger reported that Mr. Jim Mertz, on behalf of American Legion Post #1231, has submitted a Public Event/Entertainment License Application proposing to hold their annual Memorial Day Parade on Monday, May 25, 2015, at 10 a.m. The event would include a small parade, open to the public, which begins near the veterans' monument at the Algonquin Cemetery, proceeds south down North Main Street to Front Street, and then ends at Riverfront Park. The Algonquin Police Department and the Algonquin Public Works Department have reviewed and approved the proposed route without concern. The Police Department will orchestrate the closing of portions of the public streets and the directing of traffic.

Consensus of the Committee of the Whole was to forward this item to the Board for approval.

**AGENDA ITEM 4: Public Works & Safety**

**A. Consider Bids for Cermak Road Right-of-Way Improvements**

Ms. Zimmerman reported this erosion and sanitary sewer improvement has been on the books and on our radar for nearly 20 years and is a situation that just continues to worsen. The erosion has exposed much of the sanitary pipe and threatens its integrity and continued dependable service. The project involves shoring up the sanitary pipe, re-grading the very steep landscaped ROW, reinforcement of the ROW to prevent re-erosion of the area, and storm sewer improvements to collect the significant storm flows at the bottom of the hill and transport them to our existing storm sewer system below on Pioneer Drive. The lowest bidder was Copenhaver Construction of Gilberts, Illinois, with a bid of \$182,515.10. All bids were within a range of 20 percent of each other. In an effort to get this work done for a cost closer to the total budget of \$138,000.00 (combining construction budgets with phase 3 field observation budgets), Shawn Hurtig will be doing the resident engineer work in-house. We will still be \$45,000 over budget and will need to make this up somewhere else in the street improvement budget by either limiting work scopes on other projects or hoping that other bid results will be favorable as compared to budgets provided.

The consensus of the Committee of the Whole was to move this on to the Board for approval.

**B Consider Bids for Wastewater Treatment Plant Drywell Painting**

Mr. Warmus reported a project, identified as the "Wastewater Treatment Facility Drywell Repaint," gained Village Board approval in the FYE 2015 budget, an amount equal to \$40,000. The scope of work includes surface preparation by abrasive blast and application to a two-coat, epoxy paint system to repaint existing concrete walls, concrete floor, sewage pumps and associated ductile iron piping. The repaint project does present some challenges, not as simple as painting a typical mechanical room. The drywell houses our four main influent pumps, the first step in the overall process of treatment at this facility. It is absolutely critical that a minimum of two pumps remains in operation at all times. Therefore the challenge becomes providing adequate containment of blast materials and protection of the operating pumps. The drywell will be divided into two smaller projects, essentially preparing and painting one-half of a room at a time. This added time was considered when constructing the project specifications. To begin, an evaluation of existing conditions and the coating system applied to the drywell and its contents, referred to as a PMI (Preventative Maintenance Inspection), evaluates the amount and reason(s) for failed paint and concrete, determines the degree of corrosion on metal surfaces, and considers environmental impacts to produce a final report and estimate of cost. The existing paint system is original, dating back to 1997, associated with the construction of the influent pumping station, the phase 4 improvements. Dixon Engineering was hired to perform said inspection, to determine and provide an estimated cost to complete the work, and to develop first and second lowest bidders did not adequately comply with the requirements of the technical specifications and project scope. The third lowest bidder, GP Maintenance Services, Inc., was next considered. The company received extremely high praise for their quality of work, timeliness in the completion of projects, documentation always being in good order, and ability to work with an owner. Staff recommends the Board approve and award the work to GP Maintenance Services, Inc. for the proposed amount of \$94,000. During discussion it was noted that this is the best time of the year for this needed repair project. Also though the bids

came in over budget, it is under the engineer's estimate. There are reserve funds available to help pay for the project.

Consensus of the Committee of the Whole was to forward this item to the Board for approval.

C. Consider Resolution Authorizing the Use of MFT Funds for Road Maintenance Materials for 2015

Ms. Zimmerman reported, as a housekeeping item, staff recommends adoption of the annual MFT resolution and municipal estimate of maintenance costs for the purchase of salt, sand, concrete and gravel for calendar year 2015. These are materials that public works estimates we will be using during this year. IDOT requires that the Village Board pass a resolution that allows for the expenditure of Motor Fuel Tax money for the use of materials for maintenance activities performed on village-owned streets. Once the resolutions are passed, IDOT allocates this money towards our material expenses.

The consensus of the Committee of the Whole was to move this on to the Board for approval.

**AGENDA ITEM 5:** Executive Session  
Nothing to report.

**AGENDA ITEM 6:** Other Business

1. Mr. Schmitt reported he attended a meeting in Woodstock with other mayors and Governor Bruce Rauner to discuss finances of municipalities. He said it was a straight forward give and take conversation with several mayors stating if funding due them is cut in half they would be bankrupt. Mr. Schmitt noted that the state's 2016 budget would not touch the funding, at least not until the next fiscal period.

2. Illinois Senate Bill 1815 would eliminate the municipalities' power to charge water and sewer tap-on fees to developers. The bill did not make it out of committee but is something to be concerned about as it would force residents to pick up the difference in increased water rates.

3. Mr. Glogowski reported he attended a meeting recently held by people opposed to the Longmeadow Parkway and toll bridge project. He said they were very organized and will fight efforts of Kane County to proceed with the project. He said they are concerned about ecology. Mr. Schmitt stated he read their brochure that lists the group's concerns but that many assertions were not true.

**AGENDA ITEM 7:** Adjournment

There being no further business, Mr. Glogowski adjourned the meeting of the Committee of the Whole at 8:07 p.m.

Submitted: Jerry Kautz, Village Clerk