

Trustee Special Meeting

4/24/2023

The Special Meeting was called to order on Monday, April 24, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. by Trustee Swedyk. Present were Trustees Swedyk, Augustine and Ascherl, and 3 members of the public.

The first six minutes of the meeting there were sound difficulties and Ms. Catherwood requested the Trustees repeat what transpired in order to complete the meeting minutes as she was viewing via Zoom for that purpose.

Mr. Swedyk stated the purpose of the meeting was for a final review of the Township letter to residents regarding a water main extension.

Ms. Augustine noted several grammatical revisions that will be addressed.

Discussion continued as to Ms. Augustine's opposition to sending the letter out at this time. She feels that a current private development proposal for the center of town should be fully explored prior to gauging impacted property owner support of an assessed water line; the intent of this mailing.

Ms. Ascherl and Mr. Swedyk agreed that when Medina County Sanitary Engineer Jeremy Simko came to a Township meeting in November it was decided to pursue the mailing and they both support the mailing at this time.

Further discussion to change the wording "failure to respond to this letter will be considered a 'no' by Medina County" was revised to a less harsh directive of "not responding to this letter will be considered as no interest in this project by the property owner".

Ms. Augustine suggested that the letter be delivered door-to-door by Zoning Inspectors Tom Wilson and Tom Zablotny to save money on postage. Ms. Ascherl and Mr. Swedyk indicated sending by mail will be more economical and consistent.

Resident Richard Pearl (King Road) suggested adding "Public" to the title Water Main..., and an indication in the fourth paragraph to change a reference to "home or business" to "property".

Ms. Ascherl stated that the mailing will go out to all property owners defined as "A", "B", and "C", in the Medina County Sanitary Engineer's project area map, adding that she hopes the mailing can be completed by the end of the week and that the Trustees are following through on what they agreed to in November.

Resident Jim Larson asked questions regarding tax increment financing (TIF) and what properties may be impacted. Ms. Augustine replied that the developer is working on this information and that is why she has asked the Trustees to not send the letter at this time. Mr. Swedyk stated that the letter being discussed is for an assessed public infrastructure project and any property on the line would have an opportunity to tie in, this has nothing to do with a TIF proposal.

Ms. Ascherl reminded everyone to only discuss the advertised special meeting topic.

Mr. Swedyk made a motion to adjourn the Special Meeting at 6:26 p.m. Ascherl second. Vote: Aug-Y, Asc-Y, S-Y.

Minutes of the meeting approved by:

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