

Tuscarora Twp. DDA

Regular Meeting Township Hall

12 noon October 18, 2010

Meeting called to order by Chairman Whitener at 12:03

Roll Call Present: R. Kristin, M. Saker C. Poquette, M. Ridley, D. Nivel, M. Whitener Absent: K. Ashford, G. Rotter, B. Pung

Guests: Gina Burke Marina Park, Dawn Bodnar Chamber of Commerce, Mary Jo Dismang ILSD, Scott Swanson Straitsland Resorter

Agenda: Add welcome of new DDA member Dan Nivel

Motion to accept agenda Dick Kristin, Mike Saker, Support

Minutes: Motion to approve minutes Dick Kristin Cindy Poquette support

Financials: Cindy moves to accept financials Dick supports approved

Fleis & VandenBrink Contract (update)

Mike R. reports we are close. Kirk & Huth has sent the contract back to F&V and are waiting for their response. Sue Fisher adds there is a concern with the rating of the ins. and hopes to have that resolved shortly. There were also concerns over limits of liability which Cindy pointed out were covered by the indemnification clause in the contract. Any ins. costs per se are between engineers and contractors.

Personal property TIF capture from Twp.

Greg absent so item is tabled until next month.

Endorsement of Notice to Sewer District

Purpose of advance notice is to let residents know that their property is in the proposed sewer district. This is the first official notification from the Sewer Committee. The township board has endorsed the efforts of the ad hoc sewer committee and asks that the DDA move to support the sewer committee's initiative to build the sewer system in conjunction with the DDA streetscape and road rehabilitation. Cindy questions legality of endorsing the efforts if the actual sewer district extends outside the DDA boundaries.

Matt comments: A motion of endorsement is no different than if Topinabee (neighboring community) requests an endorsement from the the DDA in support of their project.

Matt tweaks Mike's motion and proposes language:

The DDA resolves to support the efforts of the sewer committee to build a sanitary sewer system in Indian River in conjunction with the DDA streetscape and road rehabilitation project. Support D. Nivelts Voice vote. Motion passed

Indian River Bridge (update)

Mike R. reports that County Road Commission (Luke Houlton) has another bridge project scheduled roughly the same time and IR Bridge and wants to use in-house inspection which would thin his staff and force hiring outside workers (\$\$\$). Also, the window is very small: lets the bid 1/11, awards the bid 2/15/11 and demolition would have to start on March 1, 2011. Puts the county and the contractor under the gun. Fall season would move the start date back to mid-August in order to be open by mid-November.

He would like to move our bridge construction schedule (and he is only suggesting) to the spring of 2012. That would save money for the county road commission and enable us to coordinate the streetscape, road and sewer project with the bridge and close down the town in one fell swoop.

Also, MDOT may want to lay utilities under river, Cindy comments that Merit fiber optic coming through, as well.

Dawn from Chamber inquires how long project will take. (6-8 months)

(Dick Kristin leaves)

Unfinished Business

Mike Saker asks about F&V contract and their request for compensation for engineering of SR2S.

Previous meeting minutes reflect understanding that we move forward w/ F&V absorbing cost or DDA votes to apportion something for compensation.

Mike R. states he and Cindy will have a conference call with John DeVol.

Saker moves to not pay F&V \$9600, support Nivelts

Roll Call: Ayes Saker, Nivelts, Ridley Nay Poquette

Next meeting Nov. 8, 2010

Motion to adjourn: Saker support Nivelts

1:07 p.m.

Mike Ridley