

VILLAGE OF NORTH UTICA
801 South Clark St.
North Utica, IL 61373
Committee of the Whole Meeting
April 25, 2017

AGENDA

- I. 7:00 p.m. Call to Order
- II. Pledge of Allegiance
- III. Roll Call
- IV. Village Clerk
 - 1.) Discussion & Possible Recommendation regarding:
 - a) St. Jude Runners Group requesting to us the intersection of Mill / Church Streets for a fundraiser.
- V. Village Treasurer
- VI. Finance Liaison
- VII. Donation & Advertising Requests
- VIII. Park & Recreation Liaison
 - 1.) Update – Repairs to the Basket Ball Courts at Carey Memorial Park
 - 2.) Update – Repairs to Carey Memorial Field
- IX. Water / Sewer Liaison
- X. Streets, Lights & Alleys Liaison
- XI. Governmental Affairs Liaison
- XII. Police Department Liaison
- XIII. Building/Zoning Officer
- XIV. Maintenance Department
 - 1.) Update - Ongoing projects in the Village
 - 2.) Update – Florence Drive leaking pipe / pavement repairs
- XV. Engineer’s Report
 - 1.) Update – Ongoing projects in the Village
 - 2.) Update - Draft of a Village Action Plan for potential flooding

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XVI. Attorney's Report

XVII. President's Report

- 1.) Discussion and Possible Recommendation regarding Vendor Permit Requests
- 2.) Discussion and Possible Recommendation regarding Tag Day Fundraiser Requests
- 3.) Discussion and Possible Recommendation regarding Donation Requests
- 4.) Discussion and Possible Recommendation regarding Comcast Franchise Agreement

XVIII. Committee / Trustee Reports

XIX. Public Comment

XX. Executive Session

- 1.) The appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance or dismissal of specific employees
- 2.) Pending/Imminent Litigation
- 3.) Purchase / Sale of Real Estate

XXI. Possible recommendations regarding Executive Session including:

- 1.) The appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance or dismissal of specific employees
- 2.) Purchase / Sale of Real Estate

XXII. Adjournment

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At 7:05 pm the meeting was called to Order by Village President Matt Jereb who then led the Pledge of Allegiance. Present at the meeting were Trustees John Schweickert, Dave Stewart, Ron Pawlak, Joe Bernardoni, John Pappas and Kevin Stewart. Also present was Village Engineer Kevin Heitz. Village Attorney Herb Klein did not attend the meeting.

A motion was made by Trustee Schweickert, seconded by Trustee Pawlak to move item XIX. Public Comment to item IV. on the Agenda.

All in favor

Motion Carried

Public Comment: Ms. Nancy Johnson, Illinois Dept. of Agriculture, spoke about the gypsy moth program. They tried a treatment last year however it failed. They are trying something again this spring. They will begin spraying the application as early as the first or second week of May depending on the weather forecast. The product is called BTK and it is sprayed 30-50 ft. above the trees over an area of approx. 12,000 acres. Trustee Stewart asked Ms. Johnson if the product is harmful to animals and if they would contact the Village again before the application. Ms. Johnson stated that the product is similar to tree sap and is organic. It is not harmful to animals and it can be washed off of cars etc. They will contact the Village Police Department as it gets closer. The Board thanked her for the update.

Mr. Nick Fetig and Mr. Bill McTee, Unimin, provided an update of ongoing projects at the plant. They will begin moving forward with their Utica 3 plant very soon. They also requested permission to allow contractors to park on the undeveloped lot on Mill St. The Board agreed. Mayor Jereb then thanked them for their response and efforts in helping reduce the amount of blocked railroad crossings. The Board agreed.

Mr. Dennis Lazar, Cubby Hole Storage and Flea Market, stated that he would like to be able to get his vendor permits, however, he was told that there is a moratorium on them. Mayor Jereb stated that although there is currently a moratorium on vendor permits, flea markets should be exempted. He will research this and get back to Mr. Lazar.

Mr. Lazar then inquired about drainage near his property located at 409 Woodland Ct. There is water running down along the property and then flowing under his driveway and he is concerned that it is deteriorating. Engineer Heitz and Public Works Director Spayer will review the matter.

Mr. Lazar also inquired about property that has a septic line located in it. He owns two lots. One has a home and the other is vacant, however, the septic line runs through it. He would like to separate the lots so that he can sell one of them. Engineer Heitz and Public Works Director Spayer will review this also.

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Village Clerk:

A request from St. Jude Runners Group to hold a fundraiser was discussed.

The Board would like to offer tag days downtown on Mill and Church St. instead of at the busy Rt. 6 & Rt. 178 intersection. St. Jude has not selected a date yet, but they are generally looking at a Saturday. It was motioned by Trustee K. Stewart, seconded by Trustee Schweickert to recommend approval of a Tag Day Fundraiser at the intersection of Mill St. and Church St. from 11 am – 2 pm on a Saturday. We will contact her for a date.

6 Yes

Motion Carried

Village Treasurer:

Reminder – Mayor’s Dinner April 27, 2017 at Kindred Spirits. Nonie’s will provide dinner and Cajun Ron’s will provide appetizers.

Banners – Military Banners will be available on May 1, 2017. 50 Banners are available on a first come first serve basis. Additional banners can be purchased however they will not be displayed. The banners for display will be hung on the poles prior to the Village’s July 4th celebration and they will remain up until after the Veteran’s Parade.

Finance Liaison: NONE

Donations / Advertising Requests: NONE

Park & Recreation Liaison:

Basketball courts at Carey Memorial Park - Maintenance department will re-seal and stripe.

Donation – Trustee Stewart will contact Mr. and Mrs. Renz to discuss their donated playground piece.

Carey Memorial Field – Almost completed. R & R did a great job!

Water / Sewer Liaison: NONE

Streets, Lights & Alleys Liaison: Trustee Bernardoni asked when 2803rd road will be patched and resealed. Curt Spayer stated that this is part of a LaSalle County bid. When he receives the information, he will bring to the Board. Discussion about placing a stop sign on 777th / Cassidy / 765th where the three streets meet also took place. Maintenance will put up a stop sign.

Governmental Affairs Liaison: NONE

Police Department Liaison: NONE

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Building / Zoning Enforcement: Spayer stated that there is a new home being built in Ridgeview Subdivision.

Maintenance Department – Pipe is ordered for the Florence Dr. project. They hope to begin working on it within two weeks, depending on the weather.

Engineer's report:

Flood Action Plan – Still working on a draft of the Plan. Once a draft is completed, it will be shared with local residents and businesses.

Mayor Jereb noted that the Village should also consider an Intergovernmental Agreement with the Utica Township to be able to utilize their Community Building in the event of a flood.

Mayor Jereb will ask Attorney Klein to work on this. Mayor Jereb stated that having a Flood Action Plan will be a very beneficial tool to have. Hopefully it will not have to be used, but it will be a great thing to have in the event its' needed.

Attorney's Report: NONE

President's Report: Mayor Jereb stated that he will try to move forward with some of his items regarding tag days and vendor permits. He will contact Attorney Klein to determine if he has any comments after his review of other areas.

Committee / Trustee Reports:

Mix's Outpost has a new gravel lot and new parking area that had not been permitted by the Village. The signage and the Vendor on Mix's property may also be something that the Village will need to review along with Attorney Klein.

Public Comment: NONE

Execution Session: NONE

Adjournment: With no additional business the meeting was adjourned at 8:00 pm; motioned by Trustee Schweickert, seconded by Trustee Pawlak.

All in favor

Motion Carried

Respectfully submitted,

Laurie A. Gbur
Village Clerk