

Rocky Ripple Town Council Meeting

October 10, 2017

Rocky Ripple Town Board Chair Carla Gaff Clark called the meeting to order at 7:31 pm. Town board member Jill Morris was in attendance. Carla passed out agenda.

Treasure Report: Financial summary -Jill made a motion to accept, Carla second. All was approved.

Minutes-Sept meeting:

Jill made a motion to accept, Carla second. All was approved.

White Pines Proposal:

Hannah Lane submitted proposal for permission to paint white “paw prints” across the road from the front of White Pines across 54th St to the community gardens. Jill asked the purpose –to draw attention for cars to watch for pedestrians and perhaps slow down. Marshal Mike wants to be sure that it’s not looked at as a legal crosswalk. Dan Axler suggested they be painted in reflective paint. White Pines to maintain condition at no cost to the town. Jill moved to accept the proposal and Carla second the motion. All were in favor.

Jill asked if there were any problems to address with fires or noise from White Pines. Per Marshal Mike, there was one incident to report with a fire in the park which has been addressed by White Pines. No fires in the park.

Old business:

-Carla reported on the Flood Project Monthly Meeting. During the October meeting, in attendance was Carla, Mike Massonne, Richard Lowe and John Volk via speaker phone.

It was reported that soil borings have been completed. There are four mounted wells left to monitor water levels. Officials plan on coming back to some of the same property as before to do some additional borings.

Bedrock was found 25-40 feet down which was better than expected. The soil samples should be back by the end of October and AECOM will now be able to look at various other levee options. The city and AECOM are hoping to be able to hold another big meeting around the middle of December. Jill suggested we wait until January due to busy holiday. The date will be considered at a later time.

Mike Massonne reported that he met with Dave Knipe of FEMA about reviewing the BFE which they don’t think will be much different. This may be something AECOM can review with FEMA.

-INDOT grant – We didn’t get it this year. With the \$25,000 set aside for next year, it was suggested we use some to fill pot holes. Marshal Mike contacted Globe Pavement to do the work. They will do a walk

through to see what needs to be done. CEG needs to shore up the canal. Carla suggested that \$5000.00 be allocated for the pot holes. Jill made a motion, Carla second. All in were in favor.

New Business:

-The City has offered to take down a few more problematic trees on Town property. One that was missed is behind John Burns property. The City will not remove any on private property. The Dirt committee may be able to help with various problems on private property.

There was a discussion about the 1996 reference to where the property lines run for residents on the river that are not town owned. Some old documents state the property line goes to the middle of the river. Dan Axler stated according to a recent property survey, it goes down to the river bank.

-Festival- There were no medical issue reported. Dhanna organized a post festival gathering last Tuesday to thank the volunteers and to review the event.

-Holt presentation- The plaque is to be installed in the pavilion into the stone using cement. It will require a mason.

Committee Business:

-Stage Group - Some musicians may have suggestions. Carla suggested they get with John Bleakly. He donated the \$1000 rental fee for the festival stage.

No updates on how much money was made at the festival

-No reports from RREM or Veterans

Marshal's Report:

Marshal Mike spoke with Treeo about being our emergency contact for tree removal. They will charge \$200.00 per incident to remove from road ways. If we want it cut and hauled away, a quote will be provided. Jill made motion to accept Treeo's offer and Carla second. If any problematic trees are in the power lines, IPL needs to be contacted.

Community Concerns: No concerns at this time.

With no further business, Jill moved the meeting be adjourned. Carla second the motion. All were in favor.

