

MINUTES FINANCE MEETING BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS

March 15, 2018

The Finance Meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was called to order by President Cohen at 7:30 p.m. in the Jewett Park Community Center. The Secretary called the roll and the following were:

PRESENT: Antokal, Caron, Cohen, Lapin, Patinkin (5)

ABSENT: None (0)

and there was a quorum in attendance. Also present was Jeff Nehila, Bob Taylor, Linda Anderson, Jay Zahn, Tony Korzyniewski, staff members.

Commissioners proceeded to review financial materials relative to the meeting.

Commissioner Caron asked about the furnace at 829 Hazel. Staff responded that the furnace went out and we didn't want the pipes to freeze so we placed a service call. The tech was unable to make any repairs because the furnace was so old. We ended up draining the water lines and turning the water off.

Commissioner Caron asked about the water bills for Mitchell and Deerspring. Staff responded that at Mitchell we have a 3" meter and there are minimum charges for water and sewer based on the size of the meter. Staff would like to change out the meters at Maplewood and Clavey to rectify any issues. The current water bill at Maplewood seems to be correct but the past couple of months were high. Treasurer Lapin asked if there was a way to get a refund for the overages we paid. Staff responded that we could contact the village and discuss possible refunds.

Commissioner Caron asked about the charges for Ancel, Glink for review of a golf agreement. Director Nehila responded that it is for the Hole in One agreement with Digital Golf.

President Cohen asked about the delay in paying electric bills for the golf course. Staff explained that we buy a commodity through a third party and we get 60 days to pay it.

Director Nehila reviewed the Keller Park Replacement Bridge bid. The bids came in very high. We have spoken to a number of the project bidders to gain feedback on the higher than anticipated bids received. The contractors all provided similar feedback in regards to costs per line items which included the bridge itself, bridge and abutment removal, new abutments and caissons, excavation and restoration.

Staff worked with Strand on looking at alternatives to bridge units, support needs such as abutments and caissons, and excavation. After multiple explanations, there would be no significant engineering changes that could possibly improve the bids (lowering the price). The bridge that we're pursuing is a 60' long by 6' wide steel bridge with a concrete deck. This bridge was specified due to its life expectancy of 70+ years.

Staff and Strand also looked at the possibility of deferring the project for a year. The probability is that the project cost would increase due to rebidding and permit fees. Staff would prefer the board table the bid until a later date but keep the bid active until some other bids come in on other projects.

Director Nehila met with SD109 and 113 to discuss tax appeals and the idea of splitting the cost of those objections.

Motion made by Treasurer Lapin, seconded by Commissioner Antokal, to adjourn the Finance Meeting at 7:47 p.m. Voice vote as follows:

AYES: Lapin, Antokal, Caron, Patinkin, Cohen (5)

NAYS: None (0)

Motion passed in a voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to be 'J. Nehila', written in a cursive style.

Jeff Nehila, Secretary