

**THE VILLAGE OF SAN LEANNA
MINUTES**

Regular Board of Aldermen Public Meeting
Thursday, November 19, 2015

7:00 p.m. – Community Center – 11906 Sleepy Hollow

A. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

Present: Betty Korts, Barbara Quarles, Charlie Burks, Tillie Trotter, Elaine Voeltz. Molly Quirk was absent.

Charlie Burks moved to approve minutes of Regular B of A Meeting and Public Hearing on September 17, 2015 as written; Tillie Trotter seconded; motion carried with a vote of 4 in favor – 0 opposed.

B. CITIZENS' COMMUNICATION

1. Dane Avery, Village arborist, stated that Village trees continue to do well with sufficient rainfall. A few trees damaged by the storm in late October have been removed (Hacienda Dr. and Old Manchaca Rd.). A shared dead ROW/private property line tree was removed on Bluebonnet Ln. at shared cost. Oak trees were pruned on Bluebonnet Ln., Sleepy Hollow Ln., and Bethel Church Rd. One new resident on Sleepy Hollow Ln. scheduled tree-trimming without a permit, but complied well when contacted.
2. Ed McDonough, resident on Tunnel Trl., was present to describe drainage issues experienced on his property during the rains last May and October. There is a large, natural drainage easement that flows from the high point of the Village north of FM 1626, across the road to Sleepy Hollow Ln., and continuing across the Tunnel Trl. properties. The water has entered Mr. McDonough's shed and garage but not his house. Mr. McDonough has requested an evaluation by the Village engineer for possible flood risk measures as well as the Village's reconsideration of annexing Tunnel Trl. Mayor Korts and Charlie Burks agreed to develop a list of Village areas in need of drainage work.
3. Mark Hartley, resident on San Leanna Dr., expressed thanks to Council and to Richard Crosby for efforts to cleanup Mr. Crosby's property on Chapel Ln., commenting that a substantial amount of work remains to be done. Mr. Crosby stated he has been spending time splitting all of the accumulated wood so it can be stacked neatly for heating during the winter. Mayor Korts requested that the wood be stacked where it is not visible from the road. Fred Helmerichs, resident on Sunset Dr., stated a truck, two trailers, and a full trash can are visible from the road, and inquired if a firm deadline for clean-up has been scheduled. The Mayor stated there is no specific deadline as long as progress continues. Brief discussion continued regarding the road work plans for Circle Dr. and drainage issues in the park area north of the Main well.

C. ITEMS SCHEDULED FOR ACTION

1. Mayor Korts stated that Elizabeth Hinson has obtained two bids for the installation of an

irrigation system for the Community Center garden, which would provide great relief for the volunteers who have been hand-watering the plants for several years. Ms. Hinson met with two company representatives and found the low bid (\$2,138) from Wilson Irrigation to be acceptable. A traditional rather than drip system was recommended for the garden's needs and would be less susceptible to damage. Mayor Korts thanked Mark Hartley for installing an exterior electrical outlet at the building at no charge to the Village. Charlie Burks will contribute 25% of the cost of the irrigation system from his Mowing/Trimming budget, with the remainder applied to the Community Center budget. Charlie Burks moved to accept the low bid from Wilson Irrigation @ \$2,138 for installation of an irrigation system for the Community Center garden; Barbara Quarles seconded; motion carried with a vote of 4 in favor – 0 opposed.

2. Following brief discussion, Tillie Trotter moved to adopt Ordinance No. 15-001 for the purpose of transferring the Special Use Permit to the new owner of the Eldercare Home property located at 11611 Circle Dr.; Barbara Quarles seconded; motion carried by a vote of 4 in favor – 0 opposed. The sale of the property will close sometime in the next few weeks, and the home will continue to be run by Cheryl McCulley. Parking issues were more specifically addressed in the revised ordinance, and Ms. Trotter has ordered two “no parking” signs.
3. Following brief discussion, Elaine Voeltz moved to designate, by Resolution No. R15-002, the Hays Free Press as the official newspaper for publication of required notices for the Village of San Leanna; Charlie Burks seconded; motion carried by a vote of 4 in favor – 0 opposed.
4. Mayor Korts and Council reviewed the General and Water Fund reports and the Fund Balance report for September 2015. Charlie Burks moved to approve the financial reports; Tillie Trotter seconded; motion carried with a vote of 4 in favor – 0 opposed. Council noted the new inclusion of the current status of the water system bond debt (Regions Bank loan) on the Fund Balance Report.
5. Mayor Korts and Council reviewed the General and Water Fund reports and the Fund Balance report for October 2015. Tillie Trotter moved to approve the financial reports; Elaine Voeltz seconded; motion carried with a vote of 4 in favor – 0 opposed.

D. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

1. Council discussed the pros, cons, and costs of the two engineered options for the first segment of the Circle Dr. road improvement project, agreeing to vote on the chosen option at the January meeting. Residents present added input. Brief discussions also centered on drainage issues and on the idea mentioned by the Village engineer at a previous meeting to consider closing Ridge Dr. between Lake Dr. and Sunset Dr., due to drainage problems in the north park area, but this idea is off the radar at present.
2. Tillie Trotter stated she has received an estimate from Wheeler Coating @ approximately \$5,000 to seal cracks throughout the Village, although costs for San Leanna Dr. west of Circle Dr. were not included. A representative from Ramming Paving has not submitted an estimate yet, and Ms. Trotter also intends to contact Bennett Paving. Council agreed for Ms. Trotter to go forward with scheduling crack-sealing as soon as weather permits. Severe “alligator cracks” will be cold-patched. Plans are also in the works to repair rain damage to

Indian Tree Trl.

E. REPORTS AND INFORMATION

1. Mayor's Report: Mayor Korts stated she will attend the CAPCOG assembly and luncheon on December 9th.
2. Administrative: Mayor Korts reported that the property at 11811 Sleepy Hollow Ln. has been sold and is being thoroughly cleaned up. The property at 11505 Circle Dr. remains on the market. No zoning news to report.
3. Roads: Tillie Trotter stated she has asked the Village handyman to install signs, but there has been no action yet. Paint has been purchased to paint all of the speed humps, and cold-patch is in stock for pothole-filling when the handyman has time.
4. Public Affairs: Molly Quirk was absent.
5. Public Safety: Elaine Voeltz reported the Village has been quiet, and SpotCrime's reporting has been consistently inaccurate along FM 1626 (actually reporting incidents on FM 620). A deceased person was reported, most likely at the Eldercare Home, one family disturbance, and two false alarms. Ms. Voeltz has looked into obtaining a solar light to illuminate the Community Center sign at night but is concerned about the likelihood of theft with no way to secure it well on the board. Council agreed to buy an inexpensive light fixture and try it out. Charlie Burks offered suggestions for replacing the railroad ties around the septic field in front of the Community Center and providing easier access to the area for mowing and trimming. Discussion will continue in January.
6. Water: Barbara Quarles reported the Aquifer District remains in Stage 1/No Drought Status/Conservation Period, and the City of Austin remains in Stage 2 Drought. Lake Travis has risen to 84% full, and Lake Buchanan has risen to 72% full. The Burn Ban has been lifted; please call the MVFD before burning. Well levels have risen 26 ft. to a current level of 57.8 ft. since October. Ms. Quarles stated that lightning struck a transformer on FM 1626 between Sombrero Dr. and Circle Dr., causing a power outage for a few hours and damaging the relay system at the South well. All repairs have been completed. Ms. Quarles encouraged continued water conservation by requesting that everyone try to reduce usage by 10%.
7. Environmental: Charlie Burks stated that several trees taken down or damaged by the storm in October have been removed. Village mowing will be scheduled one more time before winter.

F. ADJOURNMENT

Charlie Burks moved to adjourn meeting; Elaine Voeltz seconded; motion carried and meeting adjourned at 8:43 p.m.