



**Village of Commercial Point  
Committee of the Whole Meeting  
April 19, 2021**

Mr. Thompson called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm. Administrative Assistant Baldwin took roll call with the following members present: Mr. Thompson, Ms. Joiner, Mr. Grassel, Ms. Wolfe, Ms. Geiger and Mr. Mitchem.

Struckman Property

Tom Hart, Zoning Attorney and Gary Smith, Landscape Architect provided a Power Point presentation of the 400 acres owned by Mr. Struckman. Included in the presentation was a layout of their vision for the property. Mr. Hart advised they are looking at commercial businesses and residential homes such as single-family homes, townhomes and patio homes, with the potential for a school site on the West side of the property. They have planned on green space and a park in the center of the property and amenities such as hiking and biking trails throughout the property. They are also looking to see how they can connect to the village. They discussed the timeframe and potential cost of this development and financial options.

CRA Housing Council

Council did not have any nominations at this time.

Police Department Restructuring Ordinance

There was discussion among council members on how to proceed with the hiring process. Ms. Joiner and Mr. Mitchem would like to see the two fulltime positions posted to allow for better candidates. They would like to see standardized testing, psychological testing, background check and physicals. It was discussed that the positions were created with the intent that it would be a lateral move for the two current officers. The recently vacated position of Officer Griffith would have to be posted. Ms. Geiger asked Chief Jordan about the current process for all officers hired in. Chief Jordan stated that all officers hired onto the Village Police Department must provide references and pass a background check, psychological exam and physical. He stated if an officer goes from part-time to full-time, they will have to complete another type of physical within 60 days.

Village Administrator

Administrator Crego told council that he is still looking for ideas from them on how they want to do the snow and ice removal for the winter months. He suggested they still partner with the Township Trustees for assistance. He advised them that the Township has been very helpful in providing information about the materials and equipment the village will need to handle this process. He suggested hiring one person for this and have them work with the utility department

He advised Council that the Engineering firm hired for the Walker Road project has backed out and that Sands Decker is now stepping up to handle the project.

He is still waiting on quotes from Mike Pettibone for sidewalks and walk paths.

He is adding additional larger signs for the cross walks located by the Walker Pointe Entrance.

Administrator Crego said that he still needs a council member to initiate a legislative change for the Zoning section 1191 regarding the landscaping and number of trees required.

He discussed the traffic flow and 762 by Pettit's. There is a dip on 762 and cars are getting "lost" in the dip which is a safety hazard. He is discussing with ODOT about changing the speed limit.

Mr. Thompson discussed the Streets Department and asked Mayor Goldhardt what his understanding of the department will be. Mayor Goldhardt said his understanding was that council wanted this department to be separate from the Utility Department. There was a discussion on who the street department would report to. Mayor Goldhardt advised Council that Administrator Crego holds the title as Villages Street Commissioner. He also said that after speaking with the Township Trustees about what is needed to start this department, he and the Village Administrator will work on getting quotes put together for the next council meeting for a few of the items needed.




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New Business

Mayor Goldhardt said that he had spoken with Chief Cline regarding the signed TIF agreement with K-Nova. Chief Cline indicated that he has not been able to reach an agreement with K-Nova regarding the assistance with the loss of tax funds from the project. Mayor Goldhardt asked that Mr. Scalia speak with Chief Cline to try and resolve the matter.

Ms. Geiger said with the Parks & Recreation fund now growing, perhaps it would be a good time to begin having discussions about what type of park the Village wanted and where it should be located. Mr. Thompson said that K-Nova also offered to give the Village some land for a park as well. Mr. Scalia said that this will come before Council when the final plat is presented. Ms. Geiger asked how soon should they create a board and begin discussions. Mayor Goldhardt suggested that Council consider creating a Parks & Recreation Committee as soon as possible.

A motion to adjourn was made by Ms. Wolfe and seconded by Mr. Mitchem. All were in favor, the motion passed and the meeting was adjourned.

  
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Jason Thompson, President Pro Tempe

  
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Wendy Hastings, Fiscal Officer