

**CHANNAHON VILLAGE BOARD
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
FEBRUARY 2, 2026**

VP Moorman Schumacher called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. with Trustees Greco, McMillin, Perinar and Slocum present.

Also present were Village Administrator Thomas Durkin, Assistant Village Administrator Mike Petrick, Finance Director Heather Wagonblott, Director of Community Development Scott McMaster, Director of Public Works Ed Dolezal, Chief of Police Adam Bogart and Village Clerk Kristin Hall. Village Attorney David Silverman was present remotely.

VP Moorman Schumacher informed everyone present that anyone who speaks at the meeting shall be deemed to have given his/her consent to the recording of their likeness and speech. This meeting is being recorded.

Trustee Host entered the meeting at 6:01 p.m.

VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR

Discussion – Establishment of the Village of Channahon Arts and Culture Commission Fine Arts Scholarship

Durkin stated the Channahon Arts and Culture Commission is seeking to develop a scholarship to encourage the Channahon community's next generation of artists, musicians and thespians. The procedures below outline the requirements to be met to be considered for this award:

Procedure

Scholarship Application Process:

- One \$500.00 Fine Arts Scholarship offered to a graduating high school senior who resides in the Channahon Village limits.
- Eligible student must fill out scholarship application and meet all criteria by submission date.
- Scholarship Committee consisting of two (2) Arts & Culture Commission members and one (1) Village Board member score submissions using agreed upon 'Channahon Arts & Culture Commission Score Sheet'. (page 4)
- Committees selection sent to the winning students' high school to be announced at students High Schools awards night.
- Congratulation letter sent from the Arts & Culture Commission and the Channahon Village Board to the scholarship winner will consist of:
 - Invitation to a regular scheduled Village Board Meeting for recognition
 - Further Instructions including finance department contact information.

Scholarship Payment Process:

- Scholarship payment will be sent to the winner's accredited higher learning institution.
- Scholarship winner must reach out to the finance department with their college/university student ID once registered.
- Students name and Student ID will need to be on the memo line of check
- Payment will include a brief letter to the college/university indicating how the funds are to be spent (tuition, fees, and books) from the Arts & Culture Commission and the Village of Channahon.

Scholarship Criteria:

- Must be a graduating senior and live within the Village of Channahon limits.
- Plan to further education at a Junior College, College, University or other accredited higher learning institution.
- Submit art portfolio or audio/video recording.
 - Visual Artists – portfolio of original art work in any medium of their choice.
 - Musicians - video recording of their vocal or instrumental performance either solo or in an ensemble.
 - Thespians - a video recording of their performance either a monologue or ensemble.
- One (1) letter of recommendation from a teacher or instructor related to the fine arts.
- 300-word essay on how the Arts have impacted them and their plans to incorporate the arts into their future.

Scoring:

Applicants will be assessed and scored on the following criteria through a scoring matrix included in the program packet:

1. Extracurricular Activities
2. Letter of Recommendation
3. 300 Word Essay
4. Artistic Ability

VP Moorman Schumacher stated her only question is how are we getting information out to the high school seniors because we have more than one high school.

Pat Clower stated we're sending to Minooka High, JCA and Providence.

Durkin stated we are also going to be posting it on our social media and our websites, trying to get the word out in a number of different ways that this is available.

VP Moorman Schumacher stated we do also have residents that attend Joliet West. She wants to make sure that we specified that it was within village limits. We do have more than one high school district in the village limits.

Durkin stated as Ms. Clower said, people might be attending JCA or somewhere else outside the community or other private schools in and around the area. That's why we're advertising on our website and social media.

ADMINISTRATION DEPARTMENT

Petrick stated he had no formal items for discussion.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

McMaster stated he had no formal items for discussion.

Trustee Scaggs entered the meeting at 6:06 p.m.

FINANCE DEPARTMENT

Discussion – 5-Year Capital Improvement Plan for Fiscal Years 2027 – 2031

Wagonblott stated tonight we will be going through the five-year capital improvement plan. The

draft was distributed a couple weeks ago at the last board meeting to allow the board additional time to review prior to tonight. She mentioned that this is the sixth formal year that the Village has had the capital improvement plan since it was reinstated. A capital improvement plan was done prior to that, but at one point ceased to exist and then was rebooted and reinstated for fiscal year 2022-2026. Department staff has met on several occasions throughout the past year to discuss the ongoing capital projects and the future capital needs of the village. Included in the draft is the estimated cost for equipment, vehicles, land, other infrastructure, and other larger capital projects. She mentioned that there were two items that were added to the draft capital improvement plan after it was distributed a couple weeks ago. One of those items was an elevator control panel replacement for this building for \$75,000 and the replacement or repair of storm sewer on Northern Illinois Drive for \$200,000. Those will be within our discussions tonight. She mentioned that the printed version that is in front of the board tonight is the updated version with those two items included. Our overall goal with tonight's presentation is guidance and feedback from the Village Board as far as where to make any necessary changes within the five-year capital plan, if necessary, for the next meeting on February 16th. This will be coming back to the board for second read and approval. As a quick reminder, the draft Capital Improvement Plan is a tool to help the Village Board make effective budgeting decisions for large projects and purchases based on the Board's goals and the available resources. The draft Capital Improvement Plan will provide a link between the Village's comprehensive and strategic plan as well as the Village's annual budget. The draft document contains a significant amount of information and is summarized on pages 7 and 8 for the upcoming fiscal year 2027 as well as pages 36 through 40 which are the four fiscal years after 2027. The Village has had the ability to pay cash or financially support the purchases or replacements of additional capital equipment and vehicles over the past several years without issuing long-term debt or the Village has been able to substantiate smaller capital projects. In addition, the Village has received grants as well, such as the ITEP grant for the Bridge Street Multi Use Path. As previously discussed with the Board on numerous occasions, the Village anticipates the issuance of debt for the larger capital projects that are coming up. The Village is at the fiscal year finally that we're beginning these larger projects and it's going to necessitate issuing bonds as we've previously discussed. The initial not to exceed bond ordinance will be on the agenda for the Board's review and that's going to then kick off the process for bonding and issuing the debt, which is about a six to nine month process. The Mayor had asked at the last board meeting what fiscal 2027 looks like compared to last year's fiscal 2027 which would have been one year out. She went through quickly last year's fiscal 2027 anticipated \$60.5 million in capital projects. The draft in front of the board tonight has about \$38 million. There were items taken out and there were also items that were added. The difference of the \$22 million less for fiscal 2027 from last year compared to this year. A new fleet truck was removed that was anticipated to be included in 2027, but it was pushed back to 2028. The tree walk asphalt and resurfacing project that was also moved to fiscal 2028. Old Kerry Grove extension was moved to fiscal year 2028. That project is dependent on numerous things. That is why that project has been moved forward as it's not anticipated that fiscal 2027 those things will be complete. The police department capital improvement project was moved to fiscal 2029. That completes the bulk of the items that were removed from the capital plan for 2027. There was also a couple reductions and additions on items still included. The Village Green went from \$2.5 million down to \$500,000. The Village only included engineering costs for the St. James extension. That project decreased from \$1.6 million down to \$247,000. Other changes include an increase to the public works building of \$100,000. There was addition of the storm sewer replacement project that we just discussed totaling \$200,000. Well #7 transmission main and well house went from \$3.1 million to \$3.5 million. The far west side Wastewater

Treatment Plant went from \$830,000 to almost \$1.4 million. The Grand Prairie Water Commission costs went from \$2.7 million to \$4.5 million. We had addition of window replacements for the Village Hall building of \$715,000 and the elevator at \$75,000. There's also the addition of the abandonment of Wells #2, #3 and #5 of almost \$100,000. We have two bridge replacement and a rehab, including the Dellos Road bridge replacement. The \$250,000 is the beginning expenses in fiscal 2027. Also in the capital plan there are additional expenses for the full construction of the bridges in fiscals 2028 and beyond. That's where the main differences were. We had some projects fall off completely or be moved back. Potential projects have been reevaluated over the past year and then pushed back to either the next year or a future fiscal year. We have a few vehicles and equipment this year. I know over the last several years after COVID, we had a lot of delays in ordering. There was a lot of years where the Village had several larger equipment purchases, some from previous years, some from current years. We're leveling off with those and the carry forward of those bigger pieces of equipment has dwindled, so much so that they are not included in this presentation. In the way of vehicles and equipment for fiscal 2027, staff is recommending the replacement of the 2013 Dodge Charger. It would be recommended to be replaced by an SUV to sufficiently drive others through the Village and that the current 2013 Dodge Charger would be evaluated to be passed down to the EMA department. Community development does not have any vehicle replacements until fiscal 2029. They have one item for signs is not really vehicles or equipment, but it's one of those larger capital projects that doesn't really fit into major infrastructure. Phase II of the welcome signs has been delayed by some IDOT issues. That was in this year's budget and in the capital plan and we had to push that forward to fiscal 2027. The police department is looking to replace four police vehicles this year, two squads and two administrative vehicles, totaling \$240,000. This is no different than the past several years where the police department has looked to replace three vehicles for two years in a row and then the third year is four vehicles. Moving on that same cycle, fiscal 2027, it's four vehicles. Three of those vehicles that would be cycled out would be repurposed for the EMA department and then the fourth vehicle would be repurposed as a reliable training vehicle for the police department.

Bogart stated typically the training vehicle is used to get somebody to and from the academy. They can utilize their vehicle as well if needed.

Wagonblott stated the Public Works Department has a couple pickup trucks and a couple lawnmowers. The Village Hall generator is also in need of being replaced and that's estimated at \$175,000.

Dolezal stated the mowers are those zero turn mowers. It is just time to get a new generator.

Trustee Slocum stated does it power up everything here?

Dolezal stated no, it powers up a lot of things from the police side to the administration side, but not everything.

Wagonblott stated she is not going to go through the remaining items in detail, but if you do have questions, she'd be happy to answer or the respective department head would be happy to answer. Included is the listing of vehicles and equipment for future years. Just a reminder, this is something that the departments review on an annual basis and throughout the year to determine whether the vehicle actually needs to be replaced or not. There's a lot of different factors that

would come into play. If the vehicle's broken down a lot or if it's getting overly costly to maintain, that's when it ends up in the current year capital plan to be replaced. Once again, this year is pretty light in the way of vehicles and equipment compared to the last several years where we've had some major equipment being replaced. You can see just from the bigger numbers in the upcoming fiscal years, we're going to have some of those bigger items again, but they'll be evaluated each year and then included what the department deems it's necessary.

Trustee McMillin stated he knows we need all this equipment. We can trade those in, right? Get a little bit of value back on them or just put them up at the municipal auction?.

Dolezal stated we sometimes trade them in and sometimes keep them around for parts.

Wagonblott stated moving on to major infrastructure, we're going to see those different dollar amounts and those big capital projects that we just mentioned that bonds and debt will be issued in order to fund. The new public works facility is needed to accommodate all of the equipment as well as office space. The planning and engineering for the new public works building began during 2026, and the Village Board recently approved the building design. The estimated project expenses for engineering and construction for the new public works is \$20.1 million in fiscal 2027 and \$16 million in fiscal 2028. The whole \$36.1 million would be included in this year's bond issuance. Those numbers will be refined over the next several months. She discussed previously that not to exceed bond ordinance that the Village Board will be presented with at the next meeting. This is done so that there is room for estimating errors. If the project would be a little more or a little less, it gives us that leniency to work within that parameter throughout the six to nine months when those bonds are being issued. We don't want to run into a situation where we say we only need \$50 million, but then find out we need \$70 million in our bond ordinance. One of the other items is Town Center. This is a project that has been in the capital plan over the last several years and the initial phase with grading in the open grass area that is being evaluated right now.

Durkin stated yes, we're getting numbers from SpaceCo regarding the mass grading of the site as well as from Ginkgo planning regarding the final design for the Village green portion. The majority of this \$500,000 should cover the engineering and associated work.

Wagonblott stated in fiscal 2027, we're estimating about \$500,000 in costs for the Town Center and then a very rough estimate for fiscal 2028 of \$2.5 million. Most likely, those estimates will not be included in the bond ordinance. This is a major capital project, but there are a lot of unknowns still at this point whether the Village would be funding infrastructure or if a developer would be funding the infrastructure. This is not to the magnitude that the Village would need to issue bonds at this point in time. Fiscal 2027 also has the Village Hall window replacements. That's every window on both the Admin side and the Police Department side. Included also is the elevator control panel.

Trustee Scaggs asked what's the matter with the windows.

There's a lot of rot and a lot of potential mold. The reason there's screws on some of them is because when you opened them, they've literally ripped out of the rotted wood.

Trustee Scaggs stated one of the main things to protect a building typically is the windows where there could be entry of water and that kind of thing. We proposed here at this point to replace all the windows but right now do we have air blowing in or water leaks.

Dolezal stated yes we do. The current ones are Pella, and they're the original windows.

Trustee Scaggs stated yeah so, that's 20 plus years. Probably closer to 30. 2003, I guess. He asked staff to check on any current warranties.

Dolezal stated it's something to look into.

Dolezal stated the other thing included in that price on the police side is a protective film on the glass.

Bogart stated it's rated for entry bullets as well. There was a demonstration Bogart, Dolezal, and Fricke attended. It's for employee safety and just a better protection for the occupants.

Dolezal stated that's included for the police department side at this point; if we want to do it on additional windows around the building that price will go up. Dolezal will call Pella and see what we can find out about the warranty.

Trustee Scaggs stated there's places other than Pella too. Warranties still exist a lot of times now. Maybe not back 22 years ago in the last 10 or 15 years.

Trustee McMillin stated yeah and when we do go to start this project can we take the employees safety into consideration?

Wagonblott states the last item on here is the design and construction related to the repair and restoration and expansion of the Village Hall parking lot. That is the actual construction.

Dolezal stated it adds another two parking lanes adjacent to the current lot and then it resurfaces the existing lot.

Wagonblott stated also included is the storm sewer replacement for Northern Illinois Drive for the collapsed or damage storm sewer. That was one of the items that was added after the draft report.

Dolezal stated we're not sure of the necessity of that yet, but it has to end up in a budget at this point before we know if it needs to be replaced.

Wagonblott stated the next several slides are again future years. She briefly provided information on these items. There's anticipation for a gun range and training facility out on the far west parcel where the wastewater treatment plan is being built. In addition, there's anticipated building renovations once the public works equipment and crews are in the new public works building. This will allow the EMA department and the volunteers to utilize the building on Blackberry Lane where public works no longer will be utilizing or their vehicles and equipment and to have some office space in there as well. We roughly estimated some expenses to keep that placeholder and keep that potential project in our sight. The Village Hall HVAC mechanical upgrades is a

project that's been on the capital improvement plan for several years. In addition, the Village Hall building renovations that were discussed several years ago are also included, depending on where all the departments are situated after the new public works building is built. Then upcoming is also a new police department building potentially being built out on the same land where the public works building is currently being designed and built. The Village Hall renovations is again a placeholder for a project that we know most likely will need to happen. Does anyone have any questions on those major infrastructure projects?

Trustee Host stated we're trying to provide the police department with meeting their space needs. As we progress through this capital plan, you know we've done some steps but is there going to be any in fiscal year 2027.

Wagonblott stated there are none planned in the capital document due to the minimal cost. Bogart has some items budgeted for fiscal year 2027 that don't meet the criteria for capitalization so they're not going to be in tonight's presentation.

Trustee Host stated okay.

Bogart stated that's why there's these placeholders. Trustee Host stated well I know we had a need that we've been trying to address by piecemeal.

Bogart stated we refit spaces. We've removed some of the old stuff that's in there. You were just in the new drone area the other day. We're trying to clean it up ourselves and clear it up ourselves but we're growing, our needs are changing. As far as space needs analysis that was conducted before CN was on the table. I'm not sure of the validity of that. From 2021 to now 2026. We refit the radio room that used to be a conference room.

Trustee Host stated I just assumed it would be more.

Bogart stated he's picking a little bit at a time through the operational budget so like the floor last year we cleaned up. This year we're removing the gun cleaning area from our evidence storage area. We're going to be cleaning up the EOC training room. That's also getting taken care of. We have a lot of projects planned and they are being handled in a non-capital manner.

Wagonblott stated we'll move on to the annual road program and the street infrastructure. Not a lot has changed. The allowable uses have to be streets or roads, right of ways, sidewalks, multi-use paths, parking lots, anything street related or storm sewer related. We've got a total of \$3,330,000 budgeted in fiscal 2027 and that includes \$330,000 of the ADA improvements that was prompted by the Will County transition plan. \$3 million is budgeted for annual road maintenance. Those streets have not yet been identified. That information will be part of the budget presentation. We have several multi-use paths that have been either in progress or will be started this year. The McEvilly Multi-Use Path should be complete after this year. We have in fiscal 2027, \$65,000 budgeted for the Route 6 multi use path from Thomas Dillon to Patricia. In fiscal 2027 we'll have \$126,000 to expend. Then the additional \$600,000 in fiscal 2028 is anticipated. There will be expenses in fiscal 2027 of \$570,000 for the construction of the Bridge Street multi-use path. Again, we received an ITEP grant for a large portion of that project over the last several years. Then there's the construction of the multi-use path along McKinley Woods Road. That is budgeted at \$935,000 in fiscal 2027. There's one road right now, we mentioned it

already, but in the Town Center, the St. James Road extended all the way to U.S. Route 6. This is budgeted for the engineering in fiscal 2027 at \$247,000. Then between \$2 million and \$2.5 million in future years. Again, this depends on if the village takes on this infrastructure cost or if a developer comes in. A lot can happen over a matter of time before we're going through this process again. These numbers might change a little bit or they may disappear depending on if the Village is going to pay for the projects. Then we have several bridges. Reconstruction and realignment of the Shepley Road bridge is budgeted for fiscal 2027 at \$400,000. The Dellos Road Bridge replacement is \$250,000 of engineering in this upcoming fiscal year. The remaining \$5.5 million will also be included in the bonds. The debt that will be issued on the Cemetery Road bridge rehabilitation. There are \$190,000 in fiscal 2027.

Trustee McMillin stated there was a discussion of a developer coming out there replacing on Dellos. Would we get recapture out of this?

Durkin stated Dellos Road is being constructed now from where it stops to Brisbin as part of the solar project that was approved last year. The bridge, this is east of there. This is something we're looking for contributions from other development. That's undetermined at this point whether there be a developer or a development that would assist in those expenses, but it's something we're looking into.

Trustee McMillin questioned Cemetery road. That's the one that goes over a canal and come around the pumpkin farm there?

Trustee Perinar asked if the amount was for like phase 1 engineering? Because those numbers seem kind of low. \$190,000 is there just like for the phase one engineering plan. It's not to complete the project.

Dolezal stated it's more of a cracked concrete situation out there. Just like the \$400,000 on Shepley. That's just our portion of the engineering that we agreed to with Township. That's why those look that way. The Dellos road bridge is a complete replacement.

Trustee McMillin stated and it's got to be done.

Wagonblott stated fiscals 2028 through 2031, we've talked about all of these already. These are the future projects that relate to street resurfacing or qualify for utilizing the village fuel and diesel tax or the state MFT monies. The tree walk asphalt resurfacing, the joint road widening infrastructure project between the State, County and the Village to widen Route 6 and then the design engineering of the extension of Old Kerry Grove to Ridge Road. Those are projects that are on the horizon.

Trustee Scaggs asked if there was any update on that. We've been talking about this for five years. Is there anything new or anything planned.

Durkin stated the next step is getting authorization from the board to start eminent domain proceedings.

Petrick stated there was a developer interested in it at some time, but they had stepped away and decided to go in a different direction. There could be someone shows up tomorrow to put the

road in. But until they do, the Village will probably be constructing it.

Trustee Scaggs stated so no update?

Durkin stated that's the update.

Wagonblott stated we're wrapping it up with the utility infrastructure. Not to minimize it, but it is very expensive. Regarding the non-Grand Prairie Water Commission utility infrastructure, we've got well #7, raw water main and transmission main totaling \$1.7 million. There's also expenses included for well #7, well house and pressure reducing valve construction, again to meet future water demand, and the abandonment of Wells #2, #3 and #5 to remove the radium and PFAS source. Those are the anticipated non-water commission infrastructure including the Far West Wastewater Treatment plant project. The total expenses for the entire project from here forward is \$47.8 million. In fiscal 2027, you'll see \$1,307,000 included in the budget. In fiscal 2028, about \$14 million. Those two pieces of this project will be included in the total for the upcoming bond issuance. The last two pieces, the finalization of construction in fiscal 2029 and 2030, is about \$31 or \$32 million. That would be included in a second bond issuance that the Village would consider in about two to three years from now. As this project progresses, in fiscals 2030 and 2031, there's anticipation that most of the water meters that are in residences or businesses will need to be replaced. They'll be more than 20 years old. There is constantly being testing done on meters throughout the years, but it's anticipated that in 2030, it'll be time to do a full replacement. It's about \$500,000 estimate for both of those years. The last part of the utility fund capital is the Grand Prairie Water Commission infrastructure. We have four projects here listed, but all related to Grand Prairie Water Commission. So again, these items will all be included with the exception of the primary and secondary delivery locations. Anything that's slated for fiscals 2029 or 2030 or 2031 would be in that second bond issuance. Anything for fiscal 2027 or 2028, would be included in the upcoming debt issuance. This gives the board a snapshot of what you'll see next meeting. The estimate to be spent for utility capital spent by April 30th of 2028 is \$30.6 million. Then general and road related capital projects are estimated at \$47 million. Again, these are big projects coming from two different revenue sources. We'll delve into that when we're going through the debt issuance process a little bit more. But right there you can see the total is \$77.6 million right now. The not to exceed amount would probably say somewhere between \$80 to \$85 million to give a little bit of room for error. But with the conservative estimates, the hope is we will not be anywhere near the maximum amount.

Trustee Scaggs stated say we said \$80 million and it came in at \$81. Would we be able to take a million out of our general reserve funds if we had to?

Wagonblott stated that would be perfectly acceptable. Part of this analysis is to figure out how much the Village can comfortably support from reserves. We've been planning for these things. We can't pay cash for these larger projects, but we may be able to fund a portion with cash to bring that debt issuance down. We're still refining those numbers to see what we actually need to take out in bonds. We've got up until August or September to get that number. The debt issuance right now anticipated for fiscal 2029, would include the new police department facility, should the board want to begin that project. \$25 million for general and then utility capital makes up the remaining portion at about \$40 million. That would be another approximately \$65 million for that second bond issuance. Again, those numbers will be very much refined and changed when we're in the position to present this to the board. That's everything together. At the end of the

presentation she put all of the general capital projects so you can visually see that there is a lot going on. We've had a lot going on for the last several years. You can kind of see the magnitude of what all the projects are for both general and or utility. If there were any questions I can certainly try to answer, or if there's any questions after and before February 16th, feel free to reach out and either myself or the respective department head can gather information or get answered.

VP Moorman Schumacher stated that's a lot of info. Anybody have any initial questions?

Trustee Slocum stated no, but this is just a living, breathing document, right? We're not committing to anything.

Wagonblott stated yes, it is a fluid document. I always give the caveat every year that the fiscal 2027 items from this document, once approved, flow directly into the budget. We then discuss those items at the budget meetings as well. In addition, once the budget is passed, those larger capital items have to come before the board for formal approval as well. Even if it's in the budget, doesn't mean that the project's going to move forward unless the board approves.

VP Moorman Schumacher to your point about a living, breathing document, Trustee Slocum, that's why I asked that last meeting, what was the difference between what 2027 looked like in last year's capital improvement plan and what it looks like in this one? Because it does change over time. Anybody else?

Trustee McMillin stated he is going to meet with Wagonblott this week. He was making notes. Very nice job, by the way. Thank you. Page 25 shows abandonment of wells 2, 3, 5. Page 33 shows 2, 3 and 4.

Dolezal stated it should be 2, 3, and 5.

Trustee McMillin stated can we still keep them operational once they're done?

Dolezal stated once they're abandoned, they're abandoned. There will be absolutely no need to keep those. If you keep those things in use, and every time we test and we're over on any of those PFAS, we need to make another announcement out there to the public saying we had PFAS.

Dave Ferro, resident of Channahon, asked what is our bond rating. Do we have a good rating out there because I know that affects how much it costs to borrow.

Wagonblott stated yes, we currently have an Aa2 bond rating.

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Bogart stated he had no formal items for discussion.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

Discussion – Approval of Change Order 1 for the Well #4 Rehabilitation Project

Dolezal stated the Well 4 Rehabilitation project is complete. The main work involved refurbishing the pump, motor, and column pipe. The well itself was brushed and bailed. This first

and final change order reduces the contract price by \$1,162.00 resulting in a final contract price of \$348,078.00.

Discussion – O’Reilly Automotive Stores – Acceptance of Public Improvements and Release of Improvement Completion Guarantee

Dolezal stated this guarantee is held as an Improvement Completion Bond, bond number 107876954. In accordance with Subdivision and Development Regulations, the developer has requested the Village release the currently held Improvement Completion Bond and accept the public improvements consisting of: storm sewer, sanitary sewer, water main, Roadway Pavement and parkway landscaping. Per Village Ordinance, acceptance of public improvements and release of the ICG must include provision of a two-year Maintenance Guarantee at 20% of the original ICG. Public Works staff has inspected all improvements and finds they are 100% complete and in good condition.

Discussion – Approval of a Proposal with Midwest Signworks for Wayfinding Signage

Dolezal stated the Village’s re-branding initiative requires updated wayfinding signage throughout the Village. Wayfinding signs are currently installed at twenty-eight locations village-wide and provide direction for motorists and pedestrians to various points of interest. The existing signs have reached the end of their useful service life and require replacement. Midwest Signworks has previously completed signage projects for the Village, most recently the redesigned Village welcome signs. Midwest Signworks has submitted a proposal in the amount of \$37,750.00 to design, fabricate, and install twenty-eight wayfinding signs at the existing locations throughout the Village. They point you to the library or they point you to the municipal center or they point you to the park district.

Trustee Slocum asked what else do the signs direct the public to?

Dolezal stated the Briscoe Mounds, the schools, etc. They’re scattered all over town. A lot of them are just on US Route 6. They’re in pretty ugly looking shape as they have faded over time. They’ve been up for 15 years at least.

Trustee Slocum stated the one facing west are worse off.

Dolezal stated Midwest sign works are the people that have done our village signs here recently. We reached out to them to get new signs made. Of course, they would have the new logo on them. We don't know what they're going to look like quite yet. Part of this proposal is to figure out what these things will look like. Hopefully we get to reuse the existing post.

Trustee McMillin stated maybe we spend a little more on paint.

Dolezal stated these things are all the same. Even though it's an epoxy on the sign.

Petrick stated it's that reflective vinyl that IDOT requires.

Trustee Slocum asked do we want to go over them and see if there's any locations we want changed on them? Are we satisfied with the ones we have?

Petrick stated any changes we do, we'll have to go to IDOT and get a permit.

Trustee Slocum stated I mean just the names on them.

Petrick stated whether or not IDOT would require a permit change because we're putting a different face on it he is not sure. If we did start changing names on the frame is a possibility that maybe we'd need a new permit versus just putting a replacement up. Now would be the time to look at if you want to do additional ones elsewhere in the future or we change what's on them.

COMMUNICATIONS

PUBLIC COMMENT

EXECUTIVE SESSION

- **Appointment, Employment, Dismissal, Compensation, Discipline and Performance of an Employee of the Village of Channahon**

The Committee of the Whole was adjourned at 7:03 p.m.

Submitted by
Kristin Hall
Village Clerk

