

CENTURIA VILLAGE BOARD MINUTES
March 14, 2011

The Village Board meeting was called to order at 7:30 by President Bakke, with everyone present. The minutes from the February 14th board meeting were approved.

The treasurer's report shows a balance of \$365,969.30 for the month of February. The receipts were \$196,340.84 and the disbursements were \$228,269.90. The TIF balance is \$-20,178.19.

Eric Kube from Habitat for Humanity was present to explain the process of selecting a family for a home. He is hoping to build a house on the lot located at 300 Third Street in Centuria yet this fall, or spring of 2012. He has requested that the village rezone the parcel from B-1 General Commercial to R-2 Single Family Residential. The motion was made by Dave to start the process of changing the zoning of this parcel, seconded by Pete. Motion carried. He invited everyone to the Grand Opening on March 26th of the Restore in St. Croix Falls. They are asking for donations of building materials, appliances, furniture, etc. Everything is tax-deductible, with the proceeds from the sale of these items going towards building more houses for Habitat.

Kelly Bakke was unable to attend the meeting to discuss the village's web site, so this was tabled.

Matt Babcock from the Park Board stated that a survey was sent out in the utility bill, asking the people what they would like to see done with the other park land on the south end of town, and what activities they are currently using at the park. He encouraged everyone to return those. Again this softball season, he is asking for volunteers to help at the ball park concession stand.

Van presented the monthly report for the police department. He stated that the transmission had gone out on the 2009 squad. It was still under warranty.

Pete reported that the Personnel & Law Enforcement Committee had met and they recommend leaving the village's overtime policy as is.

The motion was made by Gene, seconded by Dave, to approve the Developer's Agreement with Schaffer Rentals, LLC. The tax increment allocation will start in 2012. Motion carried.

A PDF file of the ordinances is needed to put them on the web site. This discussion was tabled until the Web Committee can find out the cost to have this done.

The motion was made by Steve, seconded by Gene, to continue to allow ATV's on designated routes in the village limits, and to notify the Town of St. Croix Falls that the village would like them to consider the continuation of allowing an ATV route on 170th Avenue to the boat access on Long Lake. Motion carried.

Erik reported that they had met with the DOT and the engineers for the Hwy 35 project. It originally sounded like the costs for the sidewalks would be 20% to the village and 80% to the state; but because it is a resurfacing, the DOT now thinks the village would be responsible for 100% of the costs. Gene had a concern about snow removal on the sidewalks. The motion was made by Gene, seconded by Ryan, to table the sidewalk proposal on Hwy 35 until the DOT is firm on the village's percentage of costs. Motion carried.

The motion was made by Gene, seconded by Erik, to purchase a recorder to tape the village meetings for the web site. Motion carried.

Pete would like the letter from the Department of Employee Trust Funds concerning the cash that is paid to employees in lieu of health insurance put on April's agenda.

The motion was made by Ryan, seconded by Gene, to pay the bills. Motion carried.

The motion was made by Dave, seconded by Pete, to adjourn. Motion carried.

Judith A. Jepsen, Clerk