

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
MEETING MINUTES
MARCH 16, 2011
VILLAGE HALL BOARD ROOM

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Wolter called the meeting to order at 7:36 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Members present: Chairman Wolter, Trustees Baum, Ewert, Hughes, Kaminski, Vanderheiden, Werderman and Zabel. Member absent: Trustee Wing. Also present were Administrator Schornack and Deputy Clerk Lofy.

CAPITAL EQUIPMENT/CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN

Discussion included explanation of and questions on the Capital Outlay Plan. This plan includes equipment and projects of at least \$25,000 and with a life of more than 10 years. Discussion:

- Try to keep numbers low during the bad economy
- Even out costs over the years
- TIF #5 could come online in 2012 to help cover capital expenses
- Majority of Public Works costs are pushed off and are starting to show up in 2012
- There are real needs that cost real money
- Helps plan for projects, shows targets
- Debt payments should start dropping faster after 2017
- Payment plan for next bond issue will affect this plan
- Only borrowing for what spent, causing ups and downs due to bigger single expenses
- This is an ongoing plan, a guide which can change

Police Chief Hoell appeared to answer questions on Police Department items.

Discussion:

- Sidearm donation last year can push out replacement until at least 2020
- Will squad computers technology last ten years, has lasted eight years
- Police and fire facility could be combined in one building to save money
- Firestation #1 and police station need to be rebuilt

Discussion continued on other items in the plan:

- Leave things on plan as a place setter for possible referendum
- Demographics changing might change items spent on
- Aquatic center could be moved to a County project
- Plan helps to start talks earlier on big projects
- Would like to cut back on borrowing, pay as you go

The Committee decided to revisit this plan when finances get better.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Christa Lofy
Deputy Village Clerk