

## Rochester Hills Minutes

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# Community Development & Viability Committee

Ed Anzek, Bryan Barnett, Scott Cope, Frank Cosenza, Barbara Holder, Jim Duistermars, Michael Kaszubski, Erin Mozer, Roger Rousse, Katie Talbert, Mark Witte

Thursday, December 16, 2004

5:30 PM

1000 Rochester Hills Drive

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## **CALL TO ORDER**

Chairperson Bryan Barnett called the CDV Committee meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

## **ROLL CALL**

Present: Bryan Barnett, Jim Duistermars, Barbara Holder and Michael Kaszubski

Absent: Frank Cosenza

Non-Voting Members Present: Ed Anzek, Roger Rousse, Erin Mozer, Katie Talbert and

Mark Witte

Non-Voting Members Absent: Scott Cope

Others: Jennifer Stein, Financial Services Youth Representative

Committee Member Frank Cosenza provided previous notice he would be unable to attend and asked to be excused.

Jim Duistermars arrived at 5:44 p.m.

## **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

None Presented

## COMMUNICATIONS

None Presented

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

2004-0626 Discussion regarding Oakland County's commitment to the NO HAZ Consortium.

Attachments: Agenda Summary.pdf; No-haz agenda 1-19-05.pdf; 0626 Agreement.pdf;

nohaz2003-2005budget.pdf; nohaz2005projectedcosts-exhibita.pdf; 072104 Agenda Summary.pdf; Letter Oak Cty 20040618.pdf; Consortion Succession

Plan.pdf; PowerPoint Presentation.pdf; 2003200

Committee discussed Oakland County's commitment to the No-Haz Consortium noting the following highlights:

- \* No-Haz Consortium is a hazardous waste disposal program coordinated with Oakland County.
- \* Oakland County has made a commitment to participate to 2007.
- \* There is no charge for the No-Haz program to Rochester Hills residents.

Jack Sage, Ordinance Inspector, provided history of No-Haz Consortium as follows:

#### **Budget Information**

- \* 2003 total budget was \$46,066
- \* City used \$32,422
- \* Under budget \$13,500
- \* 2004 total budget was \$35,000
- \* City used \$27,000
- \* Under budget \$7,287
- \* 2005 current No-Haz budget is \$55,000
- \* Administrative fee is \$10,568 provided all other communities participate.
- \* Cost per vehicle is \$30.00.
- \* Cost per vehicle is determined on disposal items not exceeding 70 pounds.
- \* Vehicles which exceeded the 70 pound maximum limit, were limited to disposing 70 pounds.

#### **Program Information**

- \* Average number of participating vehicles for 2003 2004 was 305.
- \* Average cost per participating vehicle for 2003-2004 was \$64.65.
- \* Two pick-ups per year, Spring and Fall.
- \* Site is required to hold this No-Haz event.
- \* Palace of Auburn Hills charge is \$5,000 per day.
- \* Silver dome has not made a commitment.
- \* Suggested to hold these events at vacated Kmart sites, Meijer sites and High School parking lots.
- \* A site selection committee has been formed to view sites from now until Spring.

#### Worst Case Scenario

\* Non-participation:

Groveland Township Lake Angelus Pontiac

\* 2005 Rochester Hills current projected cost would be \$22,278.

A motion was made by Holder, seconded by Duistermars, that this matter be Approved and Referred to the City Council.

Resolved that the Community Development & Viability Committee recommend that City Council authorize an expenditure in the amount not-to-exceed \$25,000.00 for the administration and collection costs of participation in the household hazardous waste program through the NO HAZ Consorti

The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Barnett, Duistermars, Holder and Kaszubski

Absent: Cosenza

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

## 2004-1250 Snow Plowing Policy

<u>Attachments:</u> OPERATIONAL CHANGES.pdf; Snow Plow Policy.pdf; Snow Plow Policy

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Committee discussed Operational Changes to the Snow Plow Policy.

Roger Rousse, DPS Director, provided an over-view of the Snow Plow Policy including the following:

- \* Rochester Hills modeled Oakland County's Winter Maintenance and Snow Removal Program.
- \* Snow Plow Policy states the money spent on Major Roads provides the greatest good for the greatest amount of drivers.
- \* Cost is to plow all Rochester Hills Major and Local Roads is \$50,000 per day for three (3) days.
- \* There is no change to the Major Roads Snow Plowing Policy.

#### Estimated Cost

- \* Labor and equipment \$43,000.
- Salt varies from 300 1000 lbs. per mile depending on road conditions.
- \* Cost of salt approximately \$35 per ton.

Local Road Winter Maintenance Policy reflects significant differences as follows:

- \* As in the past, City will only plow residential streets when four (4) or more inches of snow falls.
  - \* City will not plow residential streets on over-time.
- \* City will plow residential streets during regular working hours 7:00 AM 3:30 PM unless there is an emergency.
  - \* City will expedite emergency response to problem areas only.
  - \* City will plow Major Roads on over-time.
- \* Where it once took three (3) days to plow local roads, it will now take five (5) days or longer to plow.
  - \* There is a reduction in staff from thirteen (13) plow drivers to six (6) plow drivers.
  - \* Snow Plowing operations are no longer directed by the Sheriff's Department.
- \* Sheriff Deputies were advised to not take a position on snow plowing policy with residents.
- \* Major snowfall is defined as a snowfall of six (6) or more inches of snow in less than twenty-four (24) hours.

Prioritizing by traffic numbers in plowing of Community Roads as follows:

- \* Major Roads consist of thirty-six (36) miles plowed by City.
- \* County Roads consist of 100 miles plowed by County.
- \* High traffic residential streets.
- \* Cul-de-sacs.
- \* City does not plow the twenty-five (25) miles of Private Roads.
- \* Community has eight (8) schools, five (5) of which are located on Major Roads.
- \* Other three (3) schools will be included in plowing the road leading to the school.

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- \* Committee agreed to display the Snow Plow Policy on Channel 55 prior to snow storms.
- \* Private snow plow contractors must be bonded, carry insurance and obtain a permit.
- \* Suggested by Ed Anzek, Planning Director to change the fifth (5th) bullet item as follows:

Plowing subdivision streets may not start for several days.

A motion was made by Kaszubski, seconded by Duistermars, that this matter be Approved.

Whereas the 2004 General Election Road Millage Ballot question was a valid ballot issue that resulted in failure;

Resolved that the Community Development & Viability Committee supports the current Mayor's Winter Maintenance Snow Plow Policy.

#### The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Barnett, Duistermars, Holder and Kaszubski

Absent: Cosenza

## 2004-1252 Discussion regarding Van Maele Drain

Attachments: VanMaele Drain.pdf

Committee discussed moving the Van Maele Drain including the following points:

- \* Van Maele Drain is a Chapter Four (4) drain built back in 1947.
- \* Drain runs diagonal across four (4) properties.
- \* Drain links into a north and south ditch that drains around Spencer Park.
- \* Three (3) years ago water and sewer lines were extended down South Boulevard in support of a proposed office building.
- \* Extension of water and sewer lines has created increased developer interest in that area.
- \* Currently, there is a two story office building with site plan approval located in same area.
- \* City realized moving Van Maele Drain would create a unified consistent development and the potential for larger development
- \* Van Maele Drain changes would make this area more appealing to developers which would then ultimately generate significant tax dollars.
- \* It is the City's intent to work with property owners in a more unified comprehensive approach.
- \* One property owner was offered \$16 per foot for three (3) acres of land if the drain is removed.
- \* The cost amounts to approximately \$700,000 per acre.
- \* Developers have confirmed their interest in these parcels.

- \* Approximate total relocating cost of drain is three (3) million dollars for replacement of a Chapter 20 drain.
- \* Approximate City payback is three and one-half (3 1/2) to four (4) years for the one (1) office building alone.
- \* Demand from Beaumont Hospital is high with their major expansion.

Consensus of the Committee was that a meeting with the residents take place prior to the next CDV meeting.

Committee discussed financial strategies as follows:

- \* A phase of this process is setting up "My Issue Bonds" to pay for this work.
- \* Approximately eighty-two (82%) to eighty-five (85%) percent of the drain relocation/replacement cost is located in Rochester Hills.
- \* A portion of the cost would be covered by MDOT.
- \* City will work with Assessing Department on proposal to residents.

Mark Witte, Youth Representative, inquired as to how this will affect City of Troy residents.

Committee agreed that City of Troy affects would be looked at.

Chairperson Barnett expressed support in looking into this further.

**Discussed** 

## YOUTH COMMENTS

Mark Witte brought to the Committee's attention that the current web page needs updating.

## **ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

Committee discussed the possibility of including Leaf Pick-up in the Road Millage as follows:

Ms. Holder suggested the Road Millage include a leaf pick-up.

- \* Residents have complained about leaf problem.
- \* Garbage companies set a limit on residential leaf bags.
- \* Determined cost is approximately one million dollars annually, which is one-third (1/3) of a mil.

## **NEXT MEETING DATE**

January 27, 2005

## **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to discuss, Chairperson Barnett adjourned the meeting at 6:34 p.m.

Minutes were approved as presented at the March 24, 2005, Regular Community Development & Viability Committee Meeting.