

Rochester Hills Minutes

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Community Development & Viability Committee

Ed Anzek, Bryan Barnett, Scott Cope, Frank Cosenza, Barbara Holder, Jim Duistermars Sahar Emambakhsh, Michael Kaszubski, Roger Rousse, Ann Ruggiero, Kathryn Tignanelli

Thursday, May 27, 2004

5:30 PM

1000 Rochester Hills Drive

CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Barnett called the meeting to order at 5:35 PM.

ROLL CALL

Present: Bryan Barnett, Barbara Holder and Michael Kaszubski

Absent: Jim Duistermars and Frank Cosenza

Non-Voting Members Present: Ed Anzek, Scott Cope, Roger Rousse and

Kathryn Tignanelli

Non-Voting Members Absent: Sahar Emambakhsh, Ann Ruggiero

Committee Members Emambakhsh and Ruggiero provided previous notice they would be

unable to attend and asked to be excused.

Others Present: Mayor Pat Somerville, Mark Nottley and Dalene Sprick, Rehmann Robson

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

2004-0168 Regular Meeting - November 13, 2003

Attachments: Draft minutes.pdf

Minutes were approved as presented at the April 22, 2004 Community Development &

Viability Committee Meeting and were placed on this agenda in error.

Closed

2004-0308 Regular Meeting - December 11, 2003

Attachments: Draft Minutes.pdf

Minutes were approved as presented at the April 22, 2004 Community Development &

Viability Committee Meeting and were placed on this agenda in error.

Closed

2004-0169 Regular Meeting - January 22, 2004

Attachments: 012204 CDV DRAFT Minutes.pdf

Minutes were approved as presented at the April 22, 2004 Community Development &

Viability Committee Meeting and were placed on this agenda in error.

Closed

COMMUNICATIONS

None were presented.

Mr. Duistermars entered at 5:45 PM.

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

Absent: Frank Cosenza

NEW BUSINESS

2004-0469 Local Road Millage Initiative

Attachments: 081804 Agenda Summary.pdf; Local Street Millage Ballot Language.pdf;

071404 Agenda Summary.pdf; RR Public Education Inititiative Outline & sample timeline 052704.pdf; 3.2 Mils - 10 yr w/o MRF transfer.pdf; 3.08 Mils -

10 yr w/o MRF transfer.pdf; Residenti

The consensus from the previous joint Community Development and Viability & Financial Services Meeting held May 20, 2004 was to move forward with a millage request.

Mr. Mark Nottley, from Rehmann Robson, distributed an outline for the final report (attached to the legislative file 2004-0469) that pertains to the draft final report that will be forth coming on June 7, 2004. The report will include the following:

- * "Real road funding" that includes anticipated funding shortfalls with operations and construction.
- * A solid millage number for model assumptions.
- * No transfer monies from the General or Major Roads Funds.

Ms. Dalene Sprick, from Rehmann Robson, reviewed an outline for the public education initiative and sample timetables (attached to the legislative file 2004-0469) that included the following points:

- * Terminology is very important such as:
 - Use the word "initiative" instead of "campaign" to take the politics out .
 - Use the words "residential streets" instead of "local roads" to create more meaning for residents.
- * Specifically address the number of miles of road work to be done and the cost per mile to repair or reconstruct or overlay the roads.

Ms. Sprick noted that the first suggested step would be for the Committee to determine who will lead the initiative. She discussed the following considerations:

- * City Council Members and Mayor are limited due to political nature of their positions.
- * A citizens support group has the ability of a campaign nature.
- * A task force can consist of staff, committee members and citizens.
- * An outside consultant or staff person is the most viable option.

* An attorney would review the ballot language for state legislation and city charter issues.

Ms. Sprick suggested a second step would be for the Committee to perform a "community attitudinal assessment survey" that includes the following:

- * Ask residents how they become aware of city issues, i.e. where do they get their information from so dedicated funding for educating residents can be appropriately directed.
- * Determine the underlying crucial community issues and craft the message to deliver a better package by using the following:
 - A phone survey could poll about 385 to 400 residents and would cost approximately \$5,000 to \$7,000.
 - Structure the message to be personal and clear for residents to understand
 - Use different messages for different population groups but have an overriding theme.
 - Possibly tie road quality to property values.
 - Develop materials to convey the message such as:
 - . easy to read handouts
 - . slide presentations
 - . press packets
 - . newspaper articles
 - Develop media contacts.
- * Distribute materials before absentee ballots are returned and before the election.

Discussed

Enactment No: RES0279-2004

Chairperson Barnett exited at 6:39 PM. Vice Chairperson Duistermars chaired the remainder of the meeting.

Present: Barbara Holder, Jim Duistermars and Michael Kaszubski

Absent: Bryan Barnett and Frank Cosenza

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

None was presented.

NEXT MEETING DATE

Special CDV Meeting - Thursday, June 10, 2004 - 5:30 PM

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to discuss, Vice Chairperson Duistermars adjourned the meeting at 6:49 PM.

Minutes transcribed by Sue Busam and Denise Mertz.

NOTE:

Minutes were approved as presented at the August 19, 2004 Regular Community Development & Viability Committee Meeting.