

Sherwood Forest Road Maintenance District

Saturday, December 1st, 2012

Committee Members Present: David Bonney, Gilles Beaudoin, Mike McEnerney, Martin Feit; Clerk-Treasurer, Arlene Adler (alternate).

Committee members absent: Al Bavernik

Public Present:

The meeting is opened at: 10:30 am

Location: Becket Town Hall

Mr. Bonney advises that Ms. Nancy Devane passed away last Saturday. Mr. McEnerney advises that he will post the announcement on the website. Mr. Marty Feit suggests that they make a donation to the American Cancer Society, stating that the family did not wish to have flowers sent. Mr. McEnerney makes a motion to send a donation of one-hundred dollars to the American Cancer Society in Nancy's memory, the motion is seconded; Unanimous Approval. Mr. Bonney states that he now declares Nancy's post vacant and moves Ms. Arlene Adler into the permanent position. Ms. Adler accepts.

Approval of the November 3rd Meeting Minutes- Committee members discuss brief changes, Mr. McEnerney makes a motion to approve the amended meeting minutes from November 3rd, Ms. Arlene Adler seconds the motion; Unanimous Approval.

Mr. Bonney advises the committee members present of the activity of the Road Superintendent for the month of November. He reports on the pothole repair as well as tree removal work on a total of 48 trees. Mr. Bonney advises there are other trees that need to be removed and hopes that he can have the Electric Company remove the real dangerous ones.

Mr. Bonney also advises that he received a total of four phone calls; committee members briefly discuss. Mr. Bonney explains that he ordered snow stakes, 20 orange and 20 green. He advises that they are 5 feet and that he has used 30 of them thus far.

Committee members discuss the condition of the roads and agree that they are mostly very good.

Public Participation- None

Treasurer's Report- Marty presents the report to the committee, reviewing the bills, etc. Marty advises that he went ahead and added the previously approved one hundred dollars for the donation in Nancy Devane's name to the current warrant as to not have to wait another month. Marty also explains that they are currently in very good shape and have two additional tax collections in the near future. Committee members briefly discuss what they may consider doing in the future with any surplus funds that are available.

Marty continues on, reviewing the current bank accounts as well as the balances in each. Marty presents a spreadsheet of all the expense accounts, where the accounts stand and how much is left at this point in each account.

Committee members discuss amount still owed to White Wolf. Committee members agree to pay the full amount, however they need to have the bills in hand, by Wednesday in order for prompt payment. Marty advises that he

will email Craig. Committee members agree that anything received after the Wednesday before the meeting will not get paid until the following meeting. Mr. McEnerney makes a motion to allow payment of all bills, Arlene seconds motion; Unanimous Approval.

Warrant Approval- A motion is made to approve the warrant as presented, the motion is seconded; Unanimous Approval.

Committee Discussion-

Road Contracts/ Winter- Mr. Bonney advises that they don't actually have a contract . He advises that they need to decide how many trucks total they will need per storm. Mr. Bonney advises that they need to be specific in the contract so that everyone is clear on what is expected. Committee members agree that they only way to tighten things up is to specifically request a minimum amount of trucks that are required per storm to fill contract requirements. Mr. Bonney also states that they need to specify times, especially on school/work days; advising that there are many people that need to be able to get out to either go to work or to bring their children to the bus stops. Committee members discuss sanding the roads as well as plowing them. Committee members discuss the fact that to sand all 26 miles of road, a minimum of two sanders will be needed. Mr. Bonney states that they will send a letter to Craig stating previously discussed issues. He advises that they will request the minimum of two sanders per storm. Marty suggests that Mr. Bonney has a verbal conversation with Mr. Willis, attempting to agree on specifics. Marty explains that after that conversation occurs, he will then be able to draft a letter with all specifics agreed upon.

SFNA / Lake District - Mr. Bonney states that he did speak with Mr. Howard Lerner, he reports that he attempted negotiations, however they were unsuccessful. Mr. Bonney reports that he also spoke with Mr. Bob Wallenberg. Mr. Bonney advises that there is another parcel, located on Arrow Lane and that he will plan on doing some research on it. Mr. Bonney explains that there is a house on this proposed property and that will drive the price up. Mr. Bonney tells the committee that he will go to the Town and have conversation with them regarding this property. Ms. Adler asks how much land does this parcel have, Mr. Bonney advises that it is approximately $\frac{3}{4}$ of an acre. Mr. McEnerney suggests that the best thing to do at this point is to find out who really owns the property and then further discuss it from there. Other possible properties are briefly discussed.

Overnight Parking- Mr. Bonney states that this has been previously discussed, however they do not have jurisdiction as it relates to this.

Driveway cut permits- Mr. Bonney reports that he went to the Building Inspector on this matter. Mr. Bonney advises that the Highway Department does the actual driveway cuts. Committee members briefly discuss the difficulty when people want to enter their property from a different way, often going through a culvert. Mr. Bonney advises that the building inspector told him that he has no jurisdiction on this matter.

Any Other Business- None

Adjournment- A motion is made to adjourn the meeting , the motion is seconded; meeting is adjourned at 12:15 pm. .
Schedule next meeting for January 5th, 2013.

Respectfully Submitted,

Marty Feit
Clerk-Treasurer