

CITY OF AUBURN - CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF WILLIAMS
INTERGOVERNMENTAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES
January 16, 2013
****UNAPPROVED****

Call to Order and Roll Call

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson, Betty Owen at 7:00p.m. at the Township office conference room. Committee Members present: Tom Paige, Paul Wasek, Tom Putt, Ron Kohn, Lee Kilbourn, Russ Williams, Matt Charbonneau and Betty Owen.

Others in Attendance: JoElla Krantz

Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance to the flag of the United States was said in unison.

Review and Approval of Minutes

Meeting, May 16, 2012

R. Williams made a motion to approve the Minutes as written. M. Charbonneau supported the motion and it passed unanimously.

Update on Committee Discussion Last Meeting

DDA Projects: L. Kilbourn stated that the DDA is meeting with Standard Electric to get prices on street light fixtures that look like the original ones but will accept LED bulbs. The existing light fixtures have been retro fitted. He also advised that Steve VanTol has been hired by the DDA to be the Director.

DDA directional sign project: They are working on the Way Finder signs.

Township Sidewalk/Light Project: P. Wasek explained that the Township has plans to create a special assessment district from the corner of Midland and Garfield Roads to the lot the township owns, west of the fire station. The streetscape project will include sidewalks and lighting that will match the City's. They also plan to install a crosswalk signal at the corner of Garfield and Midland.

Law Enforcement: The sheriff's deputies seem to be working out well for the City and the Township. No one heard any negative comments.

City Park Plans

L. Kilbourn and Jo Ella Kranz explained that the City is applying for a recreational grant to improve the park. The focus would be on the pond. They would like to have it dredged and have it restocked with fish. Perhaps they can put more benches in and some people have suggested fitness stations. They hope to add annual fishing days for kids and classes on fishing techniques. It was stated that the prison will build tables and benches and pavilions up to 12 feet (so it can be transported). The City would have to pay for the wood, but the labor is free. The Township agreed to write a letter of support which would be added to the grant application.

Discuss Possible Future Topics of Cooperation

R. Williams stated that he is trying to get all of the organizations, clubs and church representatives together to determine what their goals are and when their events are so that they can coordinate them and not have them conflict with each other. Everyone agreed that is a good idea. R. Williams will bring the information back to this committee when he gets it.

Old Business

None

New Business

L. Kilbourn advised that the city would have out door movies again this summer –July & August.

Public Comment

None

Round Table – Members Comments

T. Paige advised that 15 parties will sign an agreement to build a new 59.6 million dollar membrane plant to filter raw water from the Midland/Saginaw Water Corporation. The home owners' rates may go up about \$18 to \$24 a quarter. Auburn is not in this project as they have Midland water.

T. Putt stated that the Township lights will look like the City's for consistency.

L. Kilbourn advised that Spicer Engineering had commented that the City has a good chance of getting the grant to improve the park. If they do get it, construction would be in 2014. They may need to find a place to take the dredged dirt. It was stated that the State Police Post on Salzburg Road can use clean dirt.

Next Meeting Date Scheduled— May 15, 2013

Everyone agreed that holding the meetings in January and May seem to work out well. The Chairman can call additional meetings if needed.

Adjournment

P. Wasek motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:10. M. Charbonneau supported the motion

Minutes Recorded by Betty Owen