Hollis community Council

Meeting Minutes

February 10, 2015

Call to Order

Vice President Bill Sharpes called to order the regular meeting of the Hollis community Council at 7:07 PM February 10, 2015.

Council members present

Bill Sharpes, Matt Beer's, Hank Rambosek, Sandra Nessett, Keith Michaels, Ron Sharp

Absent; Budd Burnett

Community Members Present

Arthur Cook, Bob Andrews, Deborah Beer, Bill Taylor, James Sneed, John Ryan, Roger Cates, Lisa Cates, Andria Michaels

Reading and approval of minutes

The minutes were read and approved from the meeting on January 13, 2015.

Motion was made to approve the minutes by Sandra Nessett, seconded by Keith Michaels and was voted on. Vote was unanimous.

Budget report

Hank read the budget report; in the first bank checking account as of January 31, 2014 there was \$100,208.76, the savings account was closed December 23, 2014 and \$66,460.31 from the savings was deposited into the checking. Donna reported that once the online banking is set up will have a more up to dated totals.

Bill distributed a copy of the new budget report for next year and asked all Council members to take a look at it. The estimated revenue sharing that Hollis will get this year \$36,377, this is a decrease of approximately \$2000 from last year.

Fire Department update

Bill reported that we are waiting for parts for the Mac fire truck and also the new ambulance. The globe plugs for the new ambulance were expected to be purchased 12th of February 2015.

Cemetery update

No update

Donations/ Grocery Receipts

Last quarter we received \$98 from gross receipts.

Old Business

DOT Commissioner reply on Hollis roads

Hank read a letter from President Budd Burnett to John Binder acting Commissioner. In a letter Hollis asked for a donation of 60 feet or 72 inch culvert. Unfortunately State DOT &PF did not have any culvert of this size new or used. The request for 2500 yd.³ of process material currently stored on DOT and PF right away this surplus material from the United States for service developed quarry. The department has no objection to the community balls Association removal of this material and further we understand the United States Forest Service has agreed to donate up to 2500 yd.³ to the Hollis community Association. The commissioner asked us to coordinate the material removal and haul with Tim Lacour and abide by any traffic control recommendations he has. Finally the Hollis community Council requested matching funds for previous and new road repairs, the DOT & PF has neither the statutory authority nor the operational capability to provide matching funds. John Binder did point out that following last January flood events, the Klawock maintenance forces did take extraordinary measures and insist in cleaning debris and preserving several local subdivision roads.

Communications and siren update

Keith had not received any word from John on the communication equipment installation. On the siren installation, Keith has been a hard time finding an electrician for wiring in the siren.

Hollis boat dock discussion

Hank had been in contact with Michael Lukshin State DOT in charge of docks. Through our discussion the dock was put in in 1963 the sole purpose of the dock was for boat transit and airplane float use. With Clark Bay airplane float going into service the need for the airplane float in Hollis Anchorage is not necessary. The dock was not designed to handle large craft such as the barge and sailboat that has been reported to him. There were a few questions posed to me from concern residents concerning the dock.

1) Is there a time limit that a both can be berthed to the dock?

Reply; Not at this time that is explicitly stated. But has been the departments policy to consider that the state float is only available for transit use only. Birthing at the state float is available on a first-come first-served basis. The time limit is an issue that I have addressed and clarified in the new regulations were transit use will be defined as no longer than 14 days of continuous use by of vessel.

2) If the community doesn't take over the dock can a private individual take over the dock and if so how can that be done?

Reply; This is not possible. The Hollis state float is a public facility, built with public funds, and as such it must remain open to everyone. Therefore neither a private individual, a lodge owner, or commercial enterprise can own the state float.

3) Per our conversation does the Council need a resolution or does it need a motion for the state to transfer the dock?

Reply; I would prefer a resolution. But I would accept a motion if that is the way the Council does its business. Whichever means the Council agrees upon, the Council's action needs to be written down and signed by the person in charge of the Hollis community Association.

4) Will the state clean out the derelict/ abandoned boats before the transfer if it happens?

Reply; We are not planning on removing any boats at the Hollis state float since some of the boats are probably belong to the members of the Hollis community. We can't go after one boat owner without going after all boat owners at the same time that our derelict/ abandoned.

5) Will the state do repairs before it is transferred?

Reply; We are not planning on doing any repairs at the state float. If the Hollis community Council wants to make repair, then we have a way to reimburse the community for the cost of the materials (up to \$10,000 and subject to the departments approval) to make a repair(s). If there is interest in pursuing a maintenance agreement, then the community would need to agree to take on the responsibility of the harbor maintenance work at the Hollis state float. The community would then need to form a work crew and provide the labor to accomplish the work. Also if there was a harbor maintenance agreement the Hollis community Association could assign spots and collect berthing fees at the Hollis state float.

Through general discussion with the members it sounded as if we should get a workshop together with those folks interested in the float. Ron Sharp raised a concern about having funds necessary to take over the dock.

New Business

CAPSIS and Fire Department grant application

Bill reported that Budd filled out the grant paper work for the CAPSIS grant. The amount of the grant that was written for was \$111,640 to purchase 7.5 acres. Budd's fee 15 hours at \$25 an hour comes out to be \$375. Hank read an email from Budd to the councilmembers. The email read: the state DNR apparently has not decided whether the cell is 7.5 acres or portion thereof so they provided us with the dollar value for the 7.5 acres and that is how I wrote the grant adjustments can be made later if necessary. The state DNR is using the fair market value appraisal of the mental health trust 5.6 acre parcel which was appraised at \$250,000 or 49.047 .12 per acre. Therefore their market value of the 7.5 acre parcel is \$370,553.40. The DNR is asking 25% of the fair market value or \$92,640.

In addition, the survey costs are estimated at \$19,000, so the total amount of the grant is \$111,640.

Ron Sharp brought up a concern that when the funds that we are receiving from the state, dry up is there a contingency plan to pay for the infrastructure we have. Bill replied that there wasn't a plan.

Sandra made a motion to pay Budd \$375 for the grant writing, Matt seconded the motion. Motion was voted on and approved.

Hank brought up the issue that the check had not been written to the library and wondered if it needed a motion to be done. It was decided since it was already in the budget that it did not need a motion and it was an oversight. Bill said he would write the check as soon as Dordie came back from vacation.

Public comment

Dave Sneed thanked the Council for the way the meeting was held. Dave also gave a copy of the Roberts rules of order to the Council.

Adjournment

Sandra made a motion to adjourn.

Vise President Bill Sharpes adjourn the meeting at 7:50 PM.