

May 18, 1995
7:30 a.m.
J's Restaurant



**MINUTES OF THE
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Roger Currier, Dave McMullen, Rob Molzahn, Nadine Windsor

OTHERS PRESENT: Donna Proctor, Greg Scoles, Duane Cole, Chuck Liebert, Tabrina McPherson

I. CALL TO ORDER

Roger Currier called the meeting to order at 7:35 a.m. Mr. Currier asked about filling the vacancy on the committee left some time ago. Donna Proctor agreed to put a statement in her newsletter about an opening and ask for volunteers. If that does not generate enough response, we will look at formally noticing it.

II. OLD BUSINESS

A. Engineering Projects Update

Mr. Scoles mentioned the Public Works crews are striping and trying to do a lot of it in the evenings. Ms. Windsor asked about the Springbrook Road and Highway 99W intersection. This should be done by the State within the next month. Mr. Scoles stated there were some other engineering projects that would be discussed later in the agenda.

B. Utility Monthly Report

Mr. Liebert mentioned the instrumentation process is starting. We are discussing some organizational changes that should be implemented during the next budget year.

C. Building Development Status

Mr. Scoles mentioned the construction value through April is at 29 million including the schools. That exceeds last years total value. We do anticipate another 1 million in the next month. Mr. McMullen asked if that was predominately commercial. Mr. Scoles responded about 18 million is commercial while 10 million is residential.

Mr. Currier asked about the Dairy Queen parking lot as to what we can do and what we should have done. Mr. Scoles explained the design was done by the owners. They were told the minimum parking and landscaping requirements they would need to meet and they were informed that by meeting the requirements they would not have ample room for the drive-thru to function properly. However, they chose to go ahead with construction. Mr. Cole again pointed out that the staff's initial response was no they can't do it. Mr. McMullen agreed, if they met the minimum requirements and were told of the difficulties they would encounter and they still chose to build then City's position should be to let them build and their business will suffer the consequences. Mr. Scoles mentioned there is liable to be some calls from residents in the area complaining about the parking along the streets.

D. Composter Update

Mr. Liebert informed the Committee that the composter is working. We have sold approximately 650 cubic yards and generated \$4300 revenue in composter sales. We have been talking with a contractor about buying the majority of our compost. We will bring that

proposal to this committee when we get one. Our plan for now is to be open every other Saturday to sell compost. Mr. Currier mentioned there have been some odors coming from the plant this past week. Mr. Liebert stated there has been some smell coming from Smurfit, but the plant should not smell.

E. Everest/Second Street Local Improvement District

Mr. Scoles stated the Notice was in The Graphic yesterday and we should expect calls. Ms. Proctor questioned why objections must be in writing. The remonstrances are a legal document to be filed for the record. The property owners are allowed to speak verbally at the public hearing either for or against the project. Mr. Scoles talked a little bit about the different types of methods of assessing. He stated that the method of assessment chose for this project is the front foot assessment as it is the most traditional method.

III. NEW BUSINESS

A. Road Oiling Project - Pelletrox Bid

The road oiling project should start in early June. We have received a quote from Pelletrox and it is comparable to the previous years. They have done a good job for us in the past and they are easy to work with. We will be trying a different application this year to see if it will last longer.

B. Eleventh Street Water Line

This water line is an old steel line with lots of holes and needs to be replaced. Bids open on May 30 and Council will review them in June. This is a budgeted project and estimated at \$45,000. There was a consensus of the committee to send this to Council for their approval.

IV. OTHER BUSINESS

Ms. Proctor asked if the street sweeper has the capability to spray weed killer in the crevices along the curb while it is cleaning the street. Mr. Scoles didn't feel it could do that but he would talk to Hal Turpen and see what can be done.

Duane Cole handed out a resolution for the committee to review regarding street sweeping. He reviewed the Jaquith Park situation. They originally requested a one time sweeping service from us and we did that for a fee. Then they requested we do it once a month for a monthly fee of \$65.00. The City made an agreement to do this as we do benefit by keeping the storm drains clean. There was more discussion regarding what areas were private and which were maintained by the City. Mr. Currier voiced his concerns with not providing this service to all private streets and parking lots. Mr. Cole felt we should invite the Jaquith Park residents to the meeting and explain any changes made to their agreement. There was a consensus that this resolution should be sent to Council for their consideration.

V. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 8:40 a.m.