

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT & PUBLIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE MINUTES

Meeting Date: 8/15/2024

Time: 6:00PM

In Attendance: Jeremy Schroeder, Dean Babcock, Craig Warner, Ken Taylor

Citizens and Visitors: Rob Myerholtz, Craig Blair, Alaire Blair, Josh Tschappat, Jigar Patel

- There was an initial discussion regarding the priority of needs for the Village, and a request for more detailed proposals generated by Council/Committee activity. Mr. Tschappat also expressed concern for the divisive environment surrounding social media exchanges in the Village.
- The Keeler Prairie Project Proposal was discussed at length, particularly aspects of possible or hoped for benefits to the Village in general. Ms. Blair expressed concern about the need for and use of herbicide and was assured that the area would be cordoned off and have appropriate signage when applications took place. The Blair's indicated that they were present to express general support for the prairie. The Mayor informed the group that a consortium of organizations and businesses had pledged both financial and material support possibly in excess of estimated costs. The proposal appeared to be generally acceptable to those present. Due to citizen requests, a proposal to purchase benches along the path was also put forward.
- Mr. Taylor gave his opinion on not including solar panel regulation in our zoning ordinances. Mr. Myerholtz proposed the idea of adding Accessory Dwelling Unit and "tiny house" options for village residents in the proposed Subdivision Code. An informative and lengthy discussion ensued, covering current county/township regulations of structure size, lot configurations and benefits to creating more affordable rooftops in the Village. It was decided to move ahead in Committee, as it could put the Village in the forefront in the county for accepting this type of housing.

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Actionable Items

Please provide a list of actionable items for the council agenda.

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