

**Committee of the Whole Meeting
 Planning & Zoning
 August 22, 2023 – 7:00 a.m.
 Village Board Room**

Attendance

Committee Members:	
Timothy Nugent, Mayor	X
Tim Boyce, Trustee	X
Todd Crockett, Trustee	X
Diane Dole, Trustee	X
Joel Gesky, Trustee	X
Samuel Martin, Trustee	X
Wendell Phillips, Trustee	X
Other Attendees:	
Chris LaRocque, Village Admin	X
Jim Hanley, Super of PW	X
Ryan Marion, Code Official	X
Sheila Martin, Treasurer	X
Al Swinford, Chief of Police	X
Bruce Hill, Novotny Engineering	X
Jakob Knox, Marketing Dir	X
Darla Hurley, Deputy Village Clerk	X

Trustee Crockett opened the meeting at 7:41 a.m.

MOTION: A motion by Trustee Dole, second by Trustee Martin to approve the minutes from July 25, 2023 meeting. Voice vote – all ayes, no nays. Motion approved.

Public Participation – Mr. Fred Venhusizen, resident of Oak Ridge, addressed the committee concerning the pond located between Oak Ridge and Thies Park. The pond empties into Rock Creek, but beavers have been blocking the drains which has created problems along the pond bank and the drains from Oak Ridge. Mr. Venhusizen asked who is responsible for maintenance of the pond. Mr. Hanley stated that the pond is the responsibility of Oak Ridge. He has spoken several times with management concerning the pond. Mr. Hanley stated that he understood that the park management has worked with pest control companies to trap beavers and also an excavator to clear the drain. Mr. Hanley will communicate with the park management.

Trustee Martin exited the meeting at 7:49 a.m.

Mr. Fred Venhusizen exited the meeting at 7:49 a.m.

There were no action items.

Discussion Items:

- **250 S. Elm Street** – Mr. Marion has been working on the property for several years. Liens have been placed on the property for mowing and debris clean-up. The village attorney

stated that the village would need to wait at least two (2) years to show no water service and no tax payments before the village could move forward with a fifteen-day demolition notice. The final process will be to gain authority to tear the house down and then possibly offer for a neighbor to buy. Mr. Marion will keep the committee updated.

- **Signage and Off-street Parking Ordinance Changes** – Mr. Marion presented a draft copy of proposed changes to the signage and off-street parking ordinance that will be presented at the next village board meeting for approval.
- **July Recap** – Mr. Marion gave a recap of active new construction, permits issued, inspections, sidewalk inspections and contractor registrations for July 2023. *(See attached)*

A motion by Trustee Crockett, seconded by Mayor Nugent, to adjourn the meeting at 8:01 a.m. Voice vote: all ayes, no nays. Motion approved.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Darla Hurley, Deputy Village Clerk