

The meeting was called to Order by Ald. Smith at 7:00 p.m. with the following Roll Call:

Members Present: Ald. Smith, Ald. Olson, Ald. Frings

Members Absent:

Others Present: Mayor Boelk, Ald. Henkel, Ald. Forster, Ald. Toellner, Mike Engel, Mike Schmidt, Lon Bartelt, Merlin Kahlhamer, Dan Bell, Howard Allen, Nathan Kempke, Captain Vossekuil, Alixe Bielot, Mike Kurutz, Lois Krueger, Sara Decker

Item #2 Discuss/Approve real estate acquisitions for Highway 28/67 project.

Howard Allen Similar was present from Prairie Land Services. These are the same as the approvals that have been approved for the last few months. All of the items in #2 have negotiated a settlement. Ald. Toellner questioned one of the payments for \$500. Howard was unable to give details. They prepared appraisal reports for the nominal payments and the City has approved them. All of the numbers seen with the exception of 2 parcels were already approved by the City. Howard explained that Mayville's process is not the same as others. Howard indicated that he doesn't get involved in the internal process. None of these properties negotiated a higher price. They settled for the offered amount, but landscaping is a big part of the offer. If they hold off and don't sign they don't automatically get offered more. The City will get full reimbursement from the State for these payments. All of the dollar amounts have been approved by the DOT.

Motion by Ald. Frings, second by Ald. Olson to approve the real estate acquisitions for Highway 28/67.

Motion carried 3-0.

Item #3 Discuss/Approve initiating Eminent Domain process for real estate acquisitions for Highway 28/67 project.

The properties that are involved with a possible eminent domain are the properties that haven't responded or came to an agreement. They were sent a minimum of 3 letters, 2 of which were sent certified. Most have been sent 4. Howard explained DOT policy. Some of these are difficult to find the right people as loans get sold multiple times or have different types of mortgages. In order to keep project on schedule they have to go through condemnation process. There is no one that is trying to get more money. There are a couple properties that Howard is still working with. Howard would like the City to be able to cut a check in the dollar amounts that were already approved. The first resolution didn't approve the City to cut checks until after there was a signature from the property owner and the Finance Committee approved. This is different than how other municipalities handle this process. The process for eminent domain is technically already started when the project was started. There is a 20 day timeline with this process. It was suggested that a new resolution is drafted to be approved at the next meeting.

Motion by Ald. Smith, second by Ald. Frings to initiate the eminent domain process, beginning with a letter and construction of a resolution authorizing a payment we've previously authorized per the amounts before them this evening. Motion carried 3-0.

Item #4 Adjournment.

Motion by Ald. Smith, second by Ald. Olson to adjourn at 7:25 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Sara Decker, City Clerk