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AGENDA

**Village of Folsom
General Meeting
February 8, 2010
7:00 p.m.**

Meeting called to order
Quorum established
Invocation and pledge
Approval of Agenda

Old Business:

1. Engineer's report
2. Comprehensive Plan report
3. Heisser Construction – final plat approval

New Business:

1. Recommendation from Zoning Commission regarding zoning change for Marlene Seal.
2. Request by Marlene Seal to have twenty foot alley in Square 10 revoked.

Announcements:

Adjournment:

Village of Folsom
General Meeting
February 8, 2010

Present: Mayor Brumfield
Alderman Holliday
Alderman Wilt
Alderman Bickham

Absent: None.

The meeting was called to order and a quorum established. The invocation and pledge was led by Alderman Wilt. Mayor Brumfield asked for a motion to approve the agenda. Alderman Wilt stated that he would like to amend the agenda to include, (1) Noise Abatement on Railroad Avenue. On the motion of Alderman Holliday and seconded by Alderman Bickham the agenda was approved and amended to include, Noise Abatement on Railroad Avenue. (3) Yeas; (0) Nays. The motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. **Engineer's Report** – Regarding the Sewer Treatment Project, Mr. Kiley Bates stated that discussion had taken place about putting bollards up to protect the unit, in addition to a roof structure with walls to protect it against freezes. Mr. Bates said he has received a price from the contractor to install the bollards and did a detail with some angle liners among other things. After discussing the possibility of putting up a walled structure, it was realized that the unit has to raise and lower and has hoses attached to it. As it raises and lowers, so does the hoses. Therefore, they opted to construct a framed structure with a roof and in times of cold the hoses would be wrapped in visqueen or some type of tarpaulin and light bulb to keep it heated. The fixed wall would not work; therefore, they received a price from the contractor for the framed structure with a roof. The wall structure with a roof is \$1,500.00 and the bollards are \$2,800.00, totaling \$4,300.00. To have this done would require a second change order in that amount from the contingency fund of the grant monies for this project. *Therefore, Mr. Bates stated that he is requesting acceptance of change order No. 2 which would require the mayor's signature.* On the motion of Alderman Bickham and seconded by Alderman Holliday, change order No. 2 was accepted to construct a framed structure with a roof to cover the newly installed unit. (3) Yeas; (0) Nays. The motion carried.
2. **Comprehensive Plan Report** – Representative not present.
3. **Heisser Construction Final Plat Approval** – Mr. Joe Atkins explained that Heisser Construction, LLC has made all required changes and is now eligible for final plat approval. Therefore, on the motion of Alderman Holliday and seconded by

Alderman Wilt, Heisser Construction's final plat approval was accepted. (3) Yeas; (0) Nays. The motion carried.

New Business:

1. **Recommendation from Zoning Commission regarding zoning change for Marlene Seal.** - Mayor Brumfield asked Mr. Atkins to expound on this request. Mr. Atkins explained that this property was annexed into the Village back in 1986 by the petitioner's father, Mr. Ronald Seal. It was annexed in the same time the Folsom Elementary School was annexed in. He explained that Ms. Seal intends to commercialize this portion of property, which has primarily been utilized for commercial purposes in the past. On the motion of Alderman Wilt and seconded by Alderman Holliday the request for rezoning by Marlene Seal was approved. (3) Yeas (0) Nays. The motion carried.
2. **Request by Marlene Seal to have twenty foot alley in Square 10 revoked.** – Mr. Atkins explained that Garfield Street is the extreme south portion of the original annexation of the Village of Folsom and the property in question fronts Garfield. Garfield Street is a substandard street; in essence it is a half street, measuring only 37 ft. wide. Ms. Seal's property extends onto Garfield Street by 16 ft. (*At this time Mr. Atkins referenced the survey plat.*) Based on this fact, Mr. Atkins recommended moving the property line that extends onto Garfield Street back to the corner of the 1.76 acre parcel owned by Ms. Marlene Seal. The loss of the 16 feet will be traded by revoking 180 ft. of the 20 ft. alley in Square 10; lots 1, 2, 3, 8, 9 & 10 also owned by Ms. Seal border that portion of the alley on both the west and east sides. Alderman Wilt asked if the request could be tabled because he was not as familiar with the request as he felt he should be. Alderman Wilt stated that he would like to go take a look at the area before making a final decision. Alderman Bickham also desired to do the same. Alderman Holliday stated the he had previously reviewed the area and had no problem with the request from Ms. Seal. He stated that he thought it would be a good trade. On the motion of Alderman Wilt and seconded by Alderman Holliday the request to have 180 ft. of the 20 ft. alley in square 10 revoked was tabled. (3) Yeas (0) Nays The motion carried.
3. **Noise Abatement on Railroad Avenue** – Alderman Wilt stated that he received a call from a resident that lives on or near Railroad Avenue expressing concern relative to the speakers that were to be installed on Railroad Avenue. According to Alderman Wilt, the resident was concerned that installation of the speakers would create a significant amount of noise during events held on Railroad Avenue. As a result, he went over and spoke with other residents and said he could not find anyone in favor of the speakers being installed. As a result,

Alderman Wilt recommended putting an ordinance in place preventing the installation of the speakers, until such time the Village knows exactly what it will do with Railroad Avenue. In lieu of the forthcoming Comprehensive Plan, he felt that it was all “up in the air” and the Village needed to “back off”, or do anything else there to disturb the neighbors. Alderman Wilt made a motion to not allow any amplified sound or speaker systems on Railroad Avenue. At this time, Mayor Brumfield asked for clarification as to whether that included what was currently in place. Alderman Wilt responded, “yes”. Mayor Brumfield said he would like to explain the purpose of having the speakers installed. He explained that it would not increase the sound, but actually lower the level of sound that projects from the existing speaker system. It would also allow adequate communication from the central point (Police Station) extending to the farthest points on either end of Railroad Avenue. Alderman Bickham asked, “Wouldn’t a bull horn do just as well?” He stated that he received calls as did Alderman Wilt. He also mentioned that the Village has been looking to cut costs, and this could be one of those areas. The mayor explained that the funds that would be utilized for this project was previously earmarked for Economic Development. He said, the decision would be up to the board, but it sounded like they were suggesting discontinuing any function that the Village has had in the past on Railroad Avenue. Mr. Wilt responded by saying that he was referring only to any amplified sound which included speakers on poles or amps utilized for music, etc... Mayor Brumfield again asked for clarification as to whether that included any type of microphone. Alderman Wilt responded, “yes.” Alderman Bickham then stated that he did not agree with the discontinuance of the microphones, because he was quite sure microphones would be needed for certain events. With regard to speakers on the poles, he wasn’t sure if the sound projected would be less than what currently projects.

Mayor Brumfield stated, “It is up to the Board.” At this time, alderman Wilt then noted the motion he had previously made. Again, Mayor Brumfield stated that he needed to make sure his understanding of the motion was clear. He asked Alderman Wilt did he mean ‘no microphones.’ Alderman Wilt then restated the motion; I move to disallow any amplified sound or speaker system on Railroad Avenue during events hosted by the Village. Mayor Brumfield then responded by saying, “That includes microphones.” At this time Alderman Bickham asked Alderman Wilt if he meant that microphones were included in the motion. He again repeated that his motion was to disallow any amplified sound or speaker system on Railroad Avenue. Alderman Holliday then asked the Mayor what his feelings were and if the speakers were installed, how he would keep it under control. He stated that no one had approached him regarding concern over

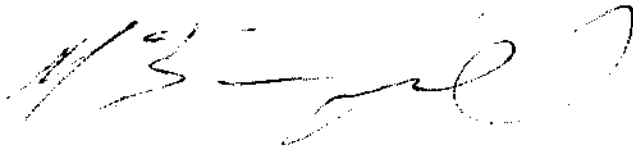
potential noise on Railroad Avenue. At this time, Mayor Brumfield requested that the motion provide some kind of alternative, because he saw it as eliminating any event from occurring on Railroad Avenue at all. After much discussion and input from the public, on the motion of Alderman Wilt and seconded by Alderman Bickham no amplified sound system or speaker system would be allowed on Railroad Avenue during events hosted by the Village of Folsom. (2 Yeas), (0 Nays), (1 Abstain). *The motion carried.*

4. **Investigate the Relocation of Events Sponsored by the Village of Folsom on Railroad Avenue** – Mayor Brumfield stated that a motion would need to be made to amend the agenda to include this item. Therefore, on the motion of Alderman Wilt and seconded by Alderman Bickham, the agenda was amended to include Investigation of relocation of Events Sponsored by the Village of Folsom on Railroad Avenue. (3 Yeas); (0 Nays). The motion carried. On the motion of Alderman Wilt and seconded by Alderman Bickham the relocation of events sponsored by the Village of Folsom on Railroad Avenue will be investigated. (3 Yeas); (0 Nays). The motion carried. Other discussion took place and can be referenced on meeting tape. Too much to include in formal minutes.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: (1) Paulette asked if Port-a-Pots be removed. Mayor Brumfield stated that he would take care of it. (2) Mr. Jon Paul Arnoult announced that he will be getting remarried on April 17th and asked Mayor Brumfield if he would make sure Railroad Avenue was clear on that day. Mayor Brumfield said that he would get with Ms. Debbie Wactor to coordinate as best as possible.

ADJOURNMENT: On the motion of Alderman Holliday and seconded by Alderman Bickham the meeting was adjourned. (3 Yeas); (0 Nays). The motion carried.

Sincerely,



Marshall Brumfield, Mayor
VILLAGE OF FOLSOM

I attest that the above is a true and correct copy of the minutes taken at the special meeting held February 9, 2010.

ATTEST:



Pamella B. Divinity
Assistant Clerk