

City of Dover Meeting Minutes May 2019

May 2, 2019

The Council (all present) did a walk-through of the City School property and the City Park to gather information on moving the “City Hall” to the School and where to reassemble the park playground equipment – joining the Council and Clerk were Jill Veerkamp and Terry Lehnertz. The walk through began at 6:00 PM as advertised and concluded back to City Hall at 6:50 PM.

The Regular Monthly Meeting of the Dover City Council was called to order at 7:00 PM. Present were Mayor Roger Ihrke, Council members Dave Iseminger, Cameron Johnson, Jaime Putzier and City Clerk/Treasurer Gary Pedersen; absent-Melinda Kieffer. Others in attendance were: Water Superintendent Marvin Ihrke, Jill Veerkamp-St. Charles Press, Travis Young, Terry Lehnertz, David Wuotila, Mike Hinrichs of M & M, Jeff Thomann, Roger Thomann, Chris Kurth and Andrew Forliti of Smith Schaffer.

Motion by member Iseminger and seconded by member Johnson to approve the agenda as presented. The motion carried.

Mayor Ihrke introduced the Variance request on behalf of Travis Young of 211 Park Avenue W. and asked for the report by the Clerk. The Clerk went through the staff reports and findings as was in the detailed report issued to the applicant and Council.

Mr. Young was asked to give his input and he said he felt his case was laid out in the staff report.

Motion by member Iseminger and seconded by member Putzier to open the public hearing, motion carried.

It was expressed possible issue with parking space between the proposed location of the dwelling and the city street right of way.

With no other comments offered, a motion by member Iseminger and seconded by member Johnson to close the public hearing. Motion carried.

Mayor Ihrke expressed that when the street by his property is upgraded the street gets lowered to meet the level of the street to the east, it could create problems with a short driveway to the garage. Much discussion took place on

different scenarios as to how this would play out in the future. It was suggested that Mr. Young contact the City Engineer to have take a look at the situation so Mr. Young does not end up in a bad situation in the future with his driveway.

Motion by member Putzier and seconded by member Johnson to approve the variance request of the front yard set-back to be reduced from 25 feet to 15 feet, motion carried.

The second part of the variance for the square footage of the structures was then addressed, the applicant is asking to go from 2,142 square feet (40% of buildable area) to 2,500 square feet. The applicant stated the garage is being planned at 1,600 square feet and the dwelling at 900 square feet, single story, sidewalks on the garage at 12 feet, and no basement. No comments or questions were offered from the attendees.

Motion by Iseminger and seconded by Johnson to approve the variance and allow up to 2,500 square feet of structures be allowed on the lot, motion carried.

Andrew Forliti of Smith Schaffer and Associates then presented the 2018 audit report for the City of Dover. The Audit was clean and Mr. Forliti went through a financial summary with the attendees and no questions were asked.

Citizen time: Brought up about the pot hole problem all around the city. Much discussion took place on how to handle it including Mike from M & M.

Motion by member Iseminger and seconded by member Putzier to approve the April minutes as presented and the motion carried.

Motion by member Johnson and seconded by member Iseminger to approve and pay the bills as presented in the financial report, motion carried.

Motion by member Johnson and seconded by member Iseminger to waive the tort limit and file this with LMCIT- our insurance carrier. The motion carried.

Motion by member Johnson and seconded by member Putzier to turn down the offer by LMCIT for insurance coverage for our fireworks event, motion carried. The agreement we have with the company that sets the fireworks off has higher limits on the insurance that covers us than what LMCIT is offering.

Clerk should get a quote from Shad Tracy Signs to up date the sign at the school building

Motion by member Iseminger and seconded by member Johnson to approve a resolution approving Daniel Bolton, Jaime Puzier and Clerk Gary Pedersen as the signors on the EDA account, motion carried.

Old business- the Water tower quotes will be brought forward at our June meeting; permits are being applied for by the City Engineer.

Main Street topic: after much discussion it came to a Council consensus to take quotes for grinding main street up to the intersection on the south end and lay a first lift of bituminous this year if the quotes are acceptable at the June meeting; then phase 2 would be in hopefully 2020 if the City can afford it, that would include option A for drainage work on the south end and then completing the project with the second bituminous lift.

Motion by member Johnson and seconded by member Iseminger to have the City Engineer seek quotes for phase 1, motion carried.

Motion by member Johnson and seconded by member Putzier to put up a light in the park across from the fire hall and Dave Iseminger will do the work. The motion carried.

Motion by member Putzier and seconded by member Iseminger to budget up to \$6,000 for filling in potholes across the City. Mike from M & M will come back with an agreement to do the job and begin the job the week of May 6th. The motion carried with member Johnson abstaining.

Mr. Roger Thomann addressed the Council about contracting with the city to do the fireworks in 2020. They will get us a quote in the future for next year.

Council member reports:

Johnson- working on cameras at the school and;

Will contact Jeff Peterson about the playground equipment assembly.

Motion by member Iseminger and seconded by member Johnson to adjourn at 8:55 PM.

Gary Pedersen-Dover City Clerk