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Work Session Minutes – September 28, 2023

PRESENT: Mayor Reisman, Deputy Mayor Stortecky, Trustee Quarantillo, Trustee Stella, Trustee Stevens, Attorney Caserta, Building Inspector Stevens, Superintendent Quarantillo, Clerk-Treasurer Brown. **ABSENT:** Recreation Director Gruarin, Chief Paul.

CALL TO ORDER: With a Quorum present, Mayor Reisman called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

ITEMS:

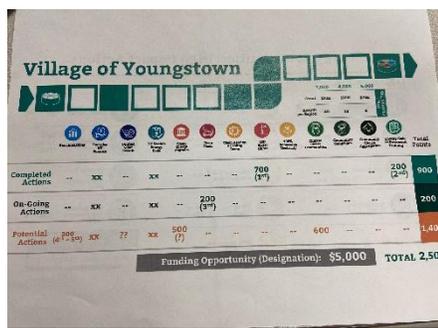
Cold Storage RFP: Creative Structure Services, Inc. David Pawlik

Mayor Reisman noted that CSS, Inc, David Pawlik and Anthony DeMiglio were present to discuss the RFP they submitted for the Cold Storage property. David Pawlik addressed the Board providing information about themselves and their company. Mr. Pawlik noted they are general contractors and developers managing multiple properties with expertise in construction. Mr. Pawlik stated they reviewed this property approximately ten years ago and the capture rate was not beneficial for the property. Mr. Pawlik stated they would like to be designated as developer of the site for 120 days. This will allow them to market research and a concept plan as to what things would look like. Mr. Pawlik stated if this could not be done, they would not be interested in continuing on the project. Mr. Pawlik noted they were very excited about the potential and believe that condos that would be for sale would be a good fit for the property. Attorney Caserta asked Mr. Pawlik to send the agreement he is looking for and he will review and handle. Mayor Reisman thanked them for their proposal.

Discussion of Benchmarking Resolution. Who will handle, dates needed in resolution

Jason Kulaszewski, Clean Energy Coordinator from UB addressed the Board to provided clarification on the benchmarking resolution and the process involved with the requirements of the resolution. Trustee Stevens also noted that Deborah Zarbo, Alternative Energy Engineer from Frey Electric, was present to offer any information needed on the EV charging stations. Mr. Kulaszewski explained in more detail how the portfolio manage works and the data needed. If the Board will adopt the benchmarking resolution, we will receive more points and be closer to the \$5,000.00 grant. Mr. Kulaszewski provided a chart of where the Village currently is points wise

and an example of what the report will look like for benchmarking tracking. If the Village can adopt the Unified Solar permit as well, there are points awarded for that process.



Deborah Zarbo reviewed information for the EV charging stations noting there is a grant from Nation Grid that can assist in the amount of \$6,000.00. Hinman Street is being looked at for the sight. The networking app would be \$250.00 per month, per plug-charging funds are sent by check less a 3% fee. Ms. Zarbo also noted a oversized station could be installed that would leave additional plugs available to be installed at a later time. These are level 2 chargers, 9kw to charge for 27-30 miles for an hour charge. Fast chargers are \$40-50,000.00, most electric cars cannot charge on them, only higher end vehicles can use them.

Clerk-Treasurer Brown noted that she needs the dates for the reporting to complete the resolution. Once the dates are received it can move forward for Board consideration.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

The next Village Board meeting will be October 12, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. The next work session is scheduled for October 26, 2023.

So noted.

Mayor Reisman asked for any other business. Trustee Stevens noted she participated in the recent bike path tour with the Chamber and Greenway committee. Trustee Stevens reported the path will go through Joseph Davis State Park and would like to see the Village included. Several ideas have been discussed, bringing the path through Youngstown Estates to the Village, which would require some reconfiguration at the 707 Nancy Price Drive DPW area as Mayor Reisman noted the Village was denied by the County to have the path come down River Road due to speed limits. Mayor Reisman noted the Town of Porter will need to be on Board with the path as it will cross their area first. Mayor Reisman also noted the Greenway group would need to specify the amount of funds available to complete our project and were not able to provide that in the past. Mayor Reisman noted the Village would love the path to come through, but there are several issues that have to be addressed for it to move forward. Trustee Stevens advised she could ask

Greg Stevens and Lisa Vitello to attend a meeting if needed. Mayor Reisman recommended that everyone is in support of the project, but until they have the budget/funding numbers it would not benefit us to have them attend a meeting. If the budget information is available, Mayor Reisman stated it would be beneficial for them to attend the meeting.

Building Inspector Stevens asked Mr. Kulaszewski if the Unified Solar permit could also be turned into him for point towards the grant. Mr. Kulaszewski confirmed it could. Attorney Caserta will review the permit and advise. Building Inspector Stevens noted the Dish Network asked to tap power at 120 Lockport Street from the building and he has advised that they cannot. There is a box near the DPW they can utilize and he is working with Superintendent Quarantillo on this. Building Inspector Stevens also noted 120 Lockport Street has to be occupied as soon as possible. Building Inspector Stevens also spoke about the STR (short term rental) process and food vendor permits and would like to see them wrapped up as well. Clerk-Treasurer Brown will resend the chapter on food vendors that Attorney Caserta issued for review.

Mayor Reisman asked Clerk-Treasurer Brown to explain the local law process for the Board, Clerk-Treasurer Brown explained that local laws need to age before they are adopted, and must be published in our noted newspaper. Attorney Caserta must proof the legal language for the law. A public hearing must be held and action of the Board must occur at the meeting. If the Board approves the local law, it is then sent to the State for processing and then implemented into the code book.

Mayor Reisman noted that he received information from the DEC and EPA that there may be low flying planes between 10/2-10/31/23 as they will be conducting a radiological survey. The last one was in 1984.

With no further business Trustee Stevens made a motion at 7:55 p.m., to adjourn the work session meeting, seconded by Trustee Stella. All in favor, motion was carried.

Submitted by:

Wendy Brown
Clerk-Treasurer