

VILLAGE OF WASHBURN

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Special meeting minutes January 25th 2007

The meeting was called to order and the following people were present: Linda Gebel, Bill Strauch, Lee Grebner, Larry Tomlinson, and Marty Mitchell. Mark Zulz was absent

Jim Cummings was present to discuss the approval to proceed with development of the CDAP application, for the Grant for possible Grant \$ for the Water main project on the west side of town. Jim wanted to discuss the point system that is used to determine who will receive the grant. He thinks there will be a lot of other applicants. Some of the factors to consider whether or not to apply are: Low- and Moderate income, Urgent need, Readiness, Financial need, and the poverty % of the village. Jim has provided us with all the information we need to make an informed decision (see attached). We have got to get the water pressure checked on the west side. Marty made a motion to go forward with the grant application using the rural dev. \$ first and then if we can't use rural dev. \$ it was 2nd by Lee all ayes 1 absent (mark).

Greg will revise the cost of the water tower project.

Discussion on elimination amending the residency for full time employees: Bridget stated that she has had some calls on the chief position but once they hear the restrictions that they have to live on the village they are no longer interested in the position. She just wants to open up the floor for discussion. Marty said he doesn't want to short change us by making the chief have to live in the village if we could find a better qualified person for the job. Larry said he thinks the chief should live here in town and if we a willing to hire outside the village then we might as well dissolve our police dept and give it to the county to patrol. Larry made a motion to leave the ordinance as written. There was no 2nd so the motion died for lack of a second. Marty made a motion to amend our residency rule to 15 mile radiance for full time employee and it was 2nd by Linda 4 ayes 1 nay (Larry) and 1 absent.

Larry said that Jim Quarim has went around and collected \$700.00 from some of Washburn's residence to go toward a reward for information leading to the arrest and the conviction of whoever vandalized the Baptist Cemetery. Larry would like to know if the village would donate \$800.00 to make it an even \$1,500. Larry made a motion to have the village donate \$800.00 toward the reward \$ and it was 2nd by Marty all ayes.

Marty made a motion to adjourn and got into executive session for personal reasons and it was 2nd by Bill all ayes meeting adjourned at 8:10.

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The meeting was called back to order @ 9:01. The recommendation of the police committee is to hire Kelly Murrah as the new chief of police pending that he accepts the terms of the contract that is offered.

Bill made a motion to hire Kelly Murrah as the chief of police 2nd by Lee

Roll call was taken 4 ayes 1 nay (Larry) Larry stated that he don't like the idea of the chief not living in the village. 1 absent.

Marty made a motion to adjourn and it was 2nd by Linda all ayes 9:03 pm

