

VILLAGE OF EAGLE REGULAR BOARD MEETING  
“APPROVED AS AMENDED” MINUTES – DECEMBER 10, 2009

President Richard Spurrell called the monthly meeting of the Eagle Village Board to order at 7:30 p.m. Clerk Mealy confirmed Open Meeting Law requirements. Roll was taken: Rice, Scheff, Couch, Block, Greenberg, Thomas, Spurrell – all present. Trustee Scheff led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Minutes of the regular meeting of November 12<sup>th</sup> and special meeting of November 30<sup>th</sup> were reviewed. For clarification, President Spurrell had noted that in the November 12<sup>th</sup> minutes, renewal of the CD, the minutes should state who made and seconded the motion. Greenberg moved to approve the minutes as amended; Block seconded. Under further discussion, Clerk Mealy pointed out that it was included in the minutes. Motion stands; there were no edits. All in favor; motion carries.

Block moved to accept the treasurer’s report including December regular (Ck #'s 14710-14733) and year-end disbursements. Couch seconded the motion. Under further discussion, how/when impact fees can be used, the balance in savings and the use of reserve funds, purchases made for equipment and funded between the Water Utility and/or the General Fund, and the shortfall in revenues were all reviewed. All in favor; motion carries.

There were no citizen comments/concerns.

**Announcements.** In moving forward, President Spurrell noted that due to his own error, discussions at last month’s meeting got pretty heated and started to waiver on the personal side. He apologized to members of the Board for letting it get that way and pointed out that he does not like to cut people off too early because everyone has the right to voice their opinion. He will try not to let it happen again and remarked that everyone needs to maintain professionalism.

Spurrell also announced that Santa will be visiting the fire station and meeting with the kids tomorrow night.

Trustee Couch then apologized to the Board for his vigorous outburst against Park & Rec.

Trustee Scheff reported that the infiltration pond in Wyndham Fields will be done within the next couple of weeks; the ice is not a problem.

Police Chief Ehlers stated that in 2003 just before the new regime, the department averaged 1 officer involved event every 2 days; this year they are averaging 10 officer events every day. To date, they have had 3,620 officer involved events, compared to 3,500 last year. He also reported that the department, through the efforts of Officer Bruckner, has received a \$1,000 grant check from Wal-Mart which will be used in 2010 for the KKIDS (Keeping Kids’ Internet Discussions Safe) program.

President Spurrell on behalf of the Fire Chief reported that the department has had 260 EMS/Fire calls this year.

**Planning Commission.** The Commission had recommended approval of a Plan of Operations submitted by Belinda Presley for a consignment shop at 103 E. Main Street. Couch moved to approve the Plan as recommended. Block seconded. All in favor; motion carries.

**Fox Chase Sr. Housing.** Brian Depies, Belinski Homes, stated that in an effort to keep the project going, he wanted to present to the Board revised draft plans with a different layout. Depies explained the background of the project and where it is now. Bielinski did a market study and came up with a conceptual plan: 6-unit single story buildings with an attached garage per unit, with a total of 10 units. Each unit is approximately 900 sq. ft. with floor plans changing daily. They are not assisted living, but senior housing units geared toward ages 55-70. Rental cost Depies indicated, as a very rough estimate, would be around \$900. At present, there would be two (2) exits off Markham, with no access off Sutton. President Spurrell commented that the Village needs senior housing for its residents, however he would like to see Bielinski stay with the original plan that had a community center room. Trustee Couch stated that he has been around the State and most of the projects he has seen, do have a group room. His suggestion is to wait; he has contacts to visit various facilities including assisted living. Trustee Greenberg agreed stating that the plan needs to meet the needs of today's residents. Discussion followed regarding assisted vs. non-assisted and whether to accept the conceptual plan or look at other options. A poll straw vote was taken; consensus was to wait. President Spurrell requested Trustee Couch to share the information he obtains with Depies. This item will again be on the agenda in January.

**Chief Inspector Appointment.** Moved by Couch to appoint Mary Sievers as the non-partisan Chief Election Inspector for a two-year term ending December 31, 2011. Scheff seconded. All in favor; motion carries.

**Well Property Lease Agreement.** President Spurrell indicated that Todd Gillette would like to renew the lease for the land on the well property on CTH LO. In all fairness and to avoid what happened last year, Spurrell stated that notification should be placed in the newspaper. Discussion followed regarding the term and the dollar amount. Moved by Greenberg to put notice in the paper with a minimum of \$1500 and specified with a deadline to be determined. Block seconded. Further discussion followed; Spurrell suggested that the motions be withdrawn and that the members think about the amount and term and decide at the January meeting. Motions were withdrawn by Greenberg and Block respectively.

**Fire Commission Audit.** President Spurrell stated that an audit was performed for 2008. The presentation was unavailable, however Spurrell reported that the report contained a few suggestions regarding internal control procedures; he will report back to the Board.

**Committee Reports/Action Items.**

**Joint Park & Rec:** Moved by Greenberg to adopt Resolution 2009-09, A Resolution Amending the 2009 Adopted Budget General Fund. Block seconded. President Spurrell indicated the Resolution if approved would give an additional \$5,000 to Park & Rec and also needs a 2/3's vote to pass. He stated he has a hard time approving the \$5,000 and recommended the Board approve \$3,000, giving \$1,000 to Park & Rec and reimbursing the Town \$2,000. Conversation followed regarding what amount would allow the Program to start with a clean slate in 2010 and match what the Town has already given. The situation is not new and has been an on-going issue. It needs to get resolved. Trustee Rice amended the motion to adopt Resolution 2009-09, giving an additional \$2,000 to Park & Rec and reimbursing the Town \$1,500 for a total amendment of \$3,500. This would equal the Town's funding and give Park &

Rec enough funds to finish up this year and start fresh in 2010. Thomas seconded. A roll call vote was taken: Rice-yes, Scheff-yes, Couch-no, Block-yes, Greenberg-yes, Thomas-yes, Spurrell-yes. Motion carries 6-1.

**Historical Society Contribution:** Discussion followed regarding the yearly \$1,000 yearly contribution which is given to the Eagle Historical Society. When repairs were needed to the building earlier in the year, it was discussed that the cost would offset the contribution. The question also came up as to where the funds were to come from. Moved by Couch to expend the \$1,000 from the Reserve; Scheff seconded. Under further discussion, Greenberg moved to amend the motion to have the Clerk send a letter to the Society indicating the Village already met their donation obligation. Spurrell stated Greenberg's motion to amend the motion fails for lack of a second. Again discussion followed. Motion carries on a 6-1 vote with Thomas voting against.

**Personnel & Finance:** Moved by Rice to approve Resolution 2009-10 establishing maximum rates of pay for Village of Eagle employees. Greenberg seconded. All in favor; motion carries.

There being no further business, moved by Greenberg to adjourn; Block seconded. President Spurrell adjourned the meeting at 9:15 p.m. All in favor; motion carries.

Shirley Mealy  
Clerk/Treasurer