

CITY OF BAY VILLAGE

CAHOON MEMORIAL PARK TRUSTEES

January 28, 2013

Paul Koomar, President of Council, Presiding

Present: Clark, Koomar, Lee, Lieske, Miller, Tadych, Young, Mayor Sutherland

Others

Present: Law Director Ebert, Finance Director Mahoney, Police Chief Wright, Fire Chief Lyons, Service Director Galli, Operations Manager Landers

President of Council Paul Koomar called the meeting to order at 8:27 p.m. in the Council Chambers of Bay Village City Hall.

AUDIENCE

The following members of the audience signed in this evening: Jim Potter, Kent Silverberg, Russell Thompson, Dick Majewski, Jennifer Smillie, Jerrie Barnett, Denny Wendell, Bruce Geiselman, Jeff Gallatin, Sally Irwin Price, Mike O'Boyle, Nancy Brown.

Fire Alarm System for Community House

Motion by **Miller** to approve contract with Digital Security Systems for Community House Fire Alarm System.

Motion passed 8-0.

Tinnerman Combination Wood and Gas Stove

Motion by **Miller** to approve donation of 1913 Tinnerman Combination Wood and Gas Stove, previously displayed in the Osborn House, to the Westlake Historical Society.

Motion passed 8-0.

Bay Challenge Cup Soccer Tournament

Motion by **Lieske** to approve the use of Cahoon Memorial Park Soccer Fields and Facilities for the 36th Annual Bay Challenge Cup Soccer Tournament, from August 30, 2013 through September 2, 2013, pending receipt of certificate of insurance, and with the understanding that there will be no use of the Cahoon Memorial Park fields and facilities on Sunday, September 1, 2013.

Motion passed 8-0.

Bayway Cabin/Kiddie Kollege Lawn Sign

Service Director Dan Galli stated that the Bayway Cabin/Kiddie Kollege lawn sign is proposed for installation on the south lawn of the Bayway Cabin, near the sidewalk. The sign would identify Bayway Cabin with the address of the Bayway Cabin included on the sign. The sign would be

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white with blue lettering. An extension of the sign to the bottom would be dark blue with white lettering identifying Kiddie Kollege at the location. The question has been as to what distance the sign would be installed from the sidewalk, with the options being from 20 feet to 40 feet. Some of the feedback Mr. Galli has received is to place the sign somewhere between 20 to 30 feet from the sidewalk.

Mr. Koomar stated that he believes the proposal of 20 to 30 feet from the sidewalk is acceptable. The important thing is to make sure it is readable for the public but is set far enough back from the sidewalk.

Mrs. Lieske commented that if the sign were placed 40 feet back it would not be able to be seen as easily.

Motion by Miller to determine that the placard sign for the Bayway Cabin with the shingle for Kiddie Kollege presented by Service Director Galli be placed on the south lawn of the Bayway Cabin, approximately 20 to 30 feet from the edge of the sidewalk.

Motion passed 8-0.

Kiddie Kollege Building Sign

Mr. Galli stated that on Friday, January 25, 2012, representatives of Kiddie Kollege sent new art work for a building sign. He stated that this art work was what the Architectural Board of Review had recommended. Mr. Galli stated that he sent out the art work to the entire Board. The sign is a 28 square foot sign, with the letters and colors of Kiddie Kollege and a logo of a school house building. Mr. Galli received feedback from three of the members of the Architectural Board of Review. These members agreed that this is what they had discussed at the meeting and have no problem with the sign.

Mrs. Lieske asked if the colors of the sign are red and yellow. Mr. Galli stated that the colors are red and yellow.

Mr. Clark asked what the comments of the Architectural Board of Review members were regarding the colors of the sign.

Mr. Tadych, Council's representative to the Architectural Board of Review, stated that the Architectural Board of Review had no trouble with the colors, if the city wants to put it on the side of the building.

Mr. Koomar asked if the Architectural Board of Review considered going with the colors of blue and white, consistent with other signage in the parks.

Mr. Tadych stated that they really just listened to the people from the Kiddie Kollege who said that this is their logo. The Architectural Board of Review said the sign that they are proposing is just a strip sign with the words "Kiddie Kollege" not in their usual font. The Architectural Board of Review proposed that they "class up" the sign so that it didn't look like they nailed a board on the

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building. The sign that is in front of the trustees this evening is the sign that they determined as a recommendation.

Mr. Miller asked if there was any discussion about having a sign on the north side of the building. Mr. Tadych stated that there was discussion about having a sign on the east side of the building, as you drive up to it. There was little discussion about the north side, because the north side has the sign on the door.

Mr. Galli stated that the problem with the east side of the building is that it is an eight-foot overhang.

Mr. Tadych stated that there was some question among the Architectural Board of Review as to why two signs were needed if one sign was being put in front of the building, and another sign on the building on the south side. But, they left that up to the Cahoon Memorial Park Trustees.

Mrs. Lieske asked if the sign were affixed to the building, and Kiddie Kollege isn't there in a few years when the sign is removed, what will that do to the siding of the cabin. Mr. Galli stated that the cabin is vinyl sided and could be patched. That could be made part of the stipulation of the permission for the sign. They would have to remove the sign and put the siding back to an acceptable condition.

Mrs. Lieske stated that she prefers keeping the signage in accordance with what there is in the park, since this is the entrance to the park in some capacities, instead of something totally different in terms of the color scheme with the red and yellow on the building.

Mayor Sutherland stated that she knows there are some issues when there is actually a logo for a company, and asked Law Director Ebert to speak to this. The Mayor stated that when she was on the Architectural Board of Review and Planning Commission in the past there were discussions about not really liking the colors of the logo, but recognizing it is the corporate logo.

Mr. Koomar stated his personal preference would be blue and white, but he is happy to follow the sign as submitted from the standpoint that it is their corporate logo.

Mr. Tadych stated that one thing about a blue and white sign is that it looks more like a city-owned entity. The proposed colors of red and yellow puts it off on its own as being a rental organization.

Mr. Clark stated that he likes the logo, he likes the signage, he just does not like the colors. Mr. Clark does not think it is fitting for the trustees to put this sign on a historical house that is in privileged land. He stated that this is his simple opinion and he will vote that way.

Mr. Miller stated that he is not happy about the precedent it sets for having a commercial operation in the park.

Mr. Tadych asked if we are hearing that we don't want a sign on the building at all.

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Mr. Koomar stated that we are just discussing color. Mr. Clark stated that we are just discussing color. He has no problem with the operation because the trustees have tried to work with them. They have been good citizens. The color is not very becoming for what we are trying to display in the City of Bay Village.

Mr. Young stated that there are examples in the shopping center where there are corporate logo signs but there are other signs that are not corporate logo signs even though they are corporate entities. They do have signs that are just black and white and match all the other individual signs. Mr. Young stated that he would rather see the Kiddie Kollege sign be black and white or blue and white.

Mr. Lee stated that he agreed with the blue and white in appearance, and questioned whether the trustees could go back and inquire whether that would be acceptable to the tenant.

Motion by Miller, to permit the Kiddie Kollege sign that was submitted to the Cahoon Memorial Park Trustees, 3 feet by 103 inches essentially creating a 28 square-foot sign on the south side of the property, and the discussion has been that the sign would be acceptable in a blue and white color scheme, rather than the red and yellow color scheme. Mr. Young added that the blue should match the blue of the Bay Village sign. Mr. Lee added the necessity of a commitment by the tenant to remove the sign if Kiddie Kollege vacates the premises and replace and repair the siding.

Motion passed 8-0.

There being no further business to come before the Cahoon Memorial Park Trustees, the meeting adjourned at 8:37 p.m.

Paul Koomar, President of Council

Joan Kemper, Clerk of Council