City of Bay Village

Council Minutes, Committee Session November 17, 2014
Council Chambers 7:00 p.m.
Paul A. Koomar, President of Council, Presiding

Present: Clark, Henderson, Koomar, Lee, Lieske, Tadych, Vincent, Mayor Sutherland

Also Present: Law Director Ebert, Finance Director Mahoney, Recreation Director Enovitch, Community Services Director Selig, Police Chief Spaetzel, Fire Chief Lyons, Service/Safety Director Thomas, Operations Manager Landers, Assistant Finance Director Popovich

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mayor Sutherland commented regarding the heavy snow this past week, noting that this is the first heavy snow we have had this early in the leaf collection season. Until the snow melts, leaves will not be collected.

Brenda O'Reilly is going to be honored this year as the Volunteer of the Year by the Earth Day Coalition. Mayor Sutherland sent out kudos to Brenda O'Reilly and the Green Team of Bay Village, noting that they have been phenomenal in their years of operation in the City. They also received this year a $5,000 grant and they have done wonderfully well with recycling.

AUDIENCE

The following audience members signed in this evening: Conda Boyd, Lydia DeGeorge, Marty Mace, Mark and Terry Foster, Richard Sklodowski, Richard Wrenn, Joanne Solecki, Jim Dixon, Rob Pirnelli, Nancy Trainer, Susan Murnane, Mary Jo Mazzolini, Alex Margevicius, Gregg and Joan Boettcher, David Kriska, Clete Miller, Jane Hoffman, Carol Zeiders.

Geoff Westerfield, Ohio Department of Natural Resources, Division of Wildlife, was present to outline the ODNR policy on White Tail Deer management.

Mr. Westerfield stated that no one agency or person in the United States owns wildlife. They are owned by everyone. The Division of Wildlife, under the Ohio Revised Code, has the statutory authority for management of the deer. They set the ability for hunting regulations and for dealing with issues that the wildlife cause, and work with cities in helping to address problems. The Division of Wildlife doesn't own the deer; they just have management authority over them.
Mr. Westerfield stated that he looks at his role as a free consultant and if residents have questions about deer, or want to set up a small or large management program, they can phone him at 1-330-644-2293.

Mr. Westerfield provided information concerning deer management, dealing with the barriers of City ordinances, recommendations for private property and city owned property deer

management, lethal control, deer damage control permits, safety considerations, installation of deer crossing signs, and deer/vehicle accidents. He also recommended that the City keep in touch with the Cleveland Metroparks concerning the deer population on their property within the City of Bay Village. Mr. Westerfield also recommended a 5-year assessment of deer/motor vehicle accidents to see if there is a pattern of repetition in certain areas. Education resources in the form of signs and website information for the residents and motorists through the City are also a suggestion to reduce accidents and damage.

A question and answer period followed:

Mr. Koomar – Can you briefly give us an overview of your involvement with the City of Avon Lake?

Mr. Westerfield – The ordinance we put in place in Avon Lake addresses lethal control on city owned lands and lethal control on private properties. Avon Lake has the ability, if they need to, deal with control hunting using archery. They also have the option of pulling deer damage permits through the State. If they have damage on their city-owned lands they can pull permits from the ODNR to deal with those outside hunting season. In hunting, they will work from an elevated spot, shooting downward. In this point, they are focusing on the deer damage permit end. A landowner has to have damage on their property to qualify for a permit. The Division of Wildlife verifies that there is damage and that it is deer caused damage, and if it is determined that the permit is applicable to address the problem, the permit is issued. The applicant then has to get a City permit, and the City determines whether or not the activity will be safe.

At the request of Mr. Henderson, Mr. Westerfield clarified that when he refers to "hunting" it is from an elevated, stable position pointing downward, and not walking around seeking deer for target.

Mr. Henderson – Avon Lake has taken action on this; Westlake and North Olmsted have been talking about it recently. Some of the newspapers have reported that some of the Mayors in the area would prefer to have the state come in and take action with regard to local problems. What is your view on that potential option? Its feasibility, likelihood of success, and whether or not the state has any intent to do something like that?

Mr. Westerfield – One of the possibilities that is being pitched out is that maybe the state should come in and take care of this problem. We would come in and actually do the control: kill the deer and reduce the numbers in particular areas. Basically this is what Solon is doing: going in and killing deer on people's properties. That program comes with an expense of about $100,000 per year to that city. From the Division of Wildlife standpoint, there are 54 cities in Cuyahoga County. Cost-wise, there is no way the state could bear that cost. Feasibility-wise, there is not enough manpower. It is not the state's role to jump in and kill a bunch of deer. We give the residents tools and we work with them and the City.

Mr. Lee – I've heard that the state prohibits any contraceptive control measures. Is that an accurate statement?

Mr. Westerfield – No, we do permit it, however, you have to get a permit from the state to do it. There is no contraceptive on the market today that will work in Bay Village. Everything that is out there right now is all experimental and under research. The situations where it has worked is within fenced-in enclosures, island situations, where the deer are not coming and going. Hastings on the Hudson in New York has a contraceptive program going, looking at an open deer population coming and going in and out of the city. We will see how this works. If something comes on the market that works, we will utilize it for deer control.

Mr. Henderson – To amplify the point as to whether or not contraception is legal or not legal in Ohio, my understanding is that it is only legal for scientific research, not for deer population management. Is that correct?

Mr. Westerfield – That is how it is worded. If that tool becomes available we will start addressing the use of contraceptives.

Mr. Lee – Has there been any discussion in Columbus about increasing the Division of Wildlife's budget for deer management purposes?

Mr. Westerfield – We are a unique agency. We don't get any state tax dollars. All of our funding is through hunting, trapping and fishing license sales. Based on that, we get some excise tax from the Federal Government.

Mayor Sutherland – If I determine that I was having a problem with deer on my property and I called you and you would come out and look at my parcel, and you think a lethal solution is an option. However, my parcel is very small and surrounded with other small parcels, and children living on the street. You might tell me that a lethal solution is an option but it is really not appropriate for a solution. Then, what?

Mr. Westerfield – In Avon Lake, one of the concepts we built into their system is the option of restricting the property owner as to where they can or cannot employ the lethal solution. In Bay Village, if someone calls me and says they have a problem with deer on their property, the first thing I am going to do is try to work with them over the telephone. I can look at their property on the computer. I usually leave them with a suggestion to try for a couple of weeks. If it doesn't work, call back. If need be, I will set up an appointment to meet with them on the property and try to come up with a game plan. If we think that lethal control is an option we will investigate that option further. When Mentor started their program, they jumped both feet in and started a sharp shooting culling operation on their lands as well as a hunting option for residents as well. You could see a definite difference in how the deer reacted. The act of being out there builds the fear back into the deer to stay away from people and property.

Mr. Henderson – Is trapping and relocating an option in our City's non-lethal toolbox?

Mr. Westerfield- No. In all counties, we are over our goal where we want to be with deer. There is nowhere in Ohio that's looking for deer. Also, if you have a wild deer, they don't relocate very well. They don't like being confined. They get stressed out and when you let them go the stress causes their death within a week or two.

Mr. Vincent – You help folks, not just with deer, but with everything, right? I have had some folks that asked about raccoons and everything else. You have tools for those types of folks?

Mr. Westerfield – Absolutely, we deal with all wildlife. If you have residents that have problems with mice, raccoons, chipmunks, etc., pick up the phone and call us.

Mr. Lee – What is the best way for a resident to reach you if they do have a deer, or other wildlife management issue?

Mr. Westerfield – We are based out of Akron. Our main office number is 330-644-2293.

Mrs. Lieske – I had a phone message from a resident today who talked about Arizona and how they were really at the forefront with doing some things in managing with deer in a non-lethal manner. She even talked about how there were walkways built at busy intersections. Are you aware of any other state doing things that we could consider?

Mr. Westerfield – I try to keep up with looking at what is going on around the country. Part of Arizona's work is looking at underpasses to try to stop motor vehicle accidents. Sometimes they work; sometimes they don't, depending on the situation. When you have a problem with deer vehicle accidents, I identify those areas, go to that spot, and go down the path of identifying the costs of solutions.

Mr. Koomar thanked Mr. Westerfield for his presentation this evening, and invited residents to meet with him in the conference room of City Hall to continue his discussion and answer further questions.

ENVIRONMENT, SAFETY AND COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE

Cuyahoga County General Health District, District Advisory Council- Renewal of Agreement for Health Services for 2015.

Mr. Lee stated that at the regular meeting this evening he will introduce an ordinance authorizing the Mayor to enter into a contract with the County Health Department for public health services for 2015 as discussed at the committee meeting of Council last week. There is no increase in the per person cost of providing that service through the County for 2015.

Mr. Lee will schedule an Environment, Safety and Community Services Committee meeting on either December 1 or December 8 for the purpose of discussing the civilian dispatch through the Police Department and the age limitation in our recently adopted bicycle ordinance. The date, agenda and time of the Environment, Safety and Community Services Committee will be announced when firm.

Mr. Koomar stated that he discussed with Mr. Lee that his committee will do some prompt work before going ahead and approving civilian police dispatch because from a Council's standpoint they need to do their due diligence.

Mr. Lee stated that this definitely makes sense. He would like to have that discussion in December so we can be in a position to move forward if that is something that the Council of the Whole is going to approve, that it could be done in early 2015, but yet not build it into the budget for purposes of the budget work Mr. Clark's committee is finishing between now and the end of the year.

PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS, STREETS/SEWERS/DRAINAGE COMMITTEE

Change Order to contract with Fabrizi Trucking and Paving Company for replacement of Walmar Drive Sanitary Sewer Line

Mr. Tadych reported that this evening he will introduce an ordinance authorizing a change order to the contract with Fabrizi Trucking and Paving Company for the replacement of the Walmar Drive Sanitary Sewer Lines Project. This is the first change order and it is in the amount of $12,500, primarily for valves and concrete work in restoring driveways.

Service Director Thomas stated that there were driveways that had to be worked on directly where there were connections that needed work due to the poor, sandy conditions. There were a number of sidewalks that needed to be replaced due to caving and other work due to the actual construction. The Service Director is very happy to this point as to how the project has progressed.

FINANCE & CLAIMS COMMITTEE

Mr. Clark reported that a Finance Committee meeting was held this evening to go through the continual revision of the Operating and Capital Budget for 2015. As part of that, the plan is to bring the budget to first reading on Monday, December 1 and be completed by the middle of December, prior to year-end. The four items following will be introduced and put on first reading on December 1, 2014.

Allocation of Municipal Income Tax Receipts

We allocate a percentage of our Municipal Income Tax receipts each year to the General Fund. A renewal of that 98% to General Fund and 2% to Accrued Benefits will be recommended.

Sewer Rental Fee

The recommendation of the Finance Committee is to continue the $90 per quarter going forward for the year 2015, in part due to another increase in operating expenses for Bay Village's share for the Rocky River Wastewater Treatment Plant for 2015.

Trash Collection Fee

The trash collection fee will be maintained at $12.00 per quarter going forward.

Ambulance Reimbursements – Amended Agreement

The only increase will be in the ambulance reimbursements. Fire Chief Lyons stated that an Emergency Medical Service (EMS) billing was instituted seven years ago. As costs increase, the Federal Government through Medicare allows fire stations and EMS services to increase the fees they charge that Medicare and private insurance companies will cover. In Bay Village, we take the approach of soft billing. The third party billing company we employ only collects what insurance companies will pay on behalf of the patients. We do not go after any additional funds beyond what the insurance companies pay for residents. There will be no cost increase passed on to residents, but the insurance companies can and will pay a little more than we are charging right now.

Mr. Clark commented that the goal is to match revenue and expenses without putting additional financial burden on the residents. The ordinances will be put on first reading on December 1, 2014, and will have three readings before adoption.

SERVICES, UTILITIES & EQUIPMENT COMMITTEE

Fiber Optic Cable

Mr. Vincent stated that quotations have been received for the Fiber Optic Cable Project.

Mr. Kris Oswald of Bailey Communications addressed Council, stating that two companies have submitted quotations for the Fiber Optic Cabling. Quotations are as follows:

(A) Cabling directly from City Hall to Service Garage
(B) Alternate Bid using School District's fiber from City Hall to Westerly School, and then city lines from Westerly School to Service Garage

Cabling Concepts	(A) $48,790
	(B) $31,350

Pole Cost is $131.80 per month for (A) and (B) above

Trace Technologies	(A) $157,000
	(B) $ 80,000

Pole Cost is $5.00 per pole per month for (A) and (B) above. There are 41 poles from City Hall to the Service Garage. Estimated Maximum: $205.

Mr. Oswald stated that he is aware that using the School District fiber for part of the way down to the Service Garage is a less expensive option, but with his experience with Fiber Optic Networks, when splices are necessary a little light will be lost and will cause issues with the fiber. The networks that are in place now will work, but down the line there are things that will require a tighter spec and more loss of light could cause problems. There would be a connection from the

network equipment on this side, a splice outside City Hall, a splice down the street, and a connection down at the Service Garage. That would mean four connections, basically losing light at four places. If we are on our own, it is only two. We have one gig connections now to all the buildings and then when we go to do our network upgrade in five or six years we are going to be moving to ten gig. With ten gig they recommend having as little splices as possible. Mr. Oswald recommended going the full route with our own fiber.

Mr. Lee stated that as he understands there are two components to the cost of this. There is the installation of the cable itself, and the difference is $17,440 to go the whole way as opposed to doing the splices. But, there is also a monthly charge per pole. What would that charge be if we go the full length or if we go the Westerly to the Service Garage length? Mr. Oswald stated that he is not really sure what it would be using partial of the schools, but it is based on about $5.00 per pole. We probably would be cutting out a third of the route using the schools, or about $50.00 per month. Mr. Lee stated that it would be the other way around. The distance from the Service Garage to Westerly is one third of the distance of the distance from City Hall to the Service Garage.

Mr. Henderson asked Mr. Oswald if his concern is primarily the technical nature in regard to the light being lost. He asked the utilization of bandwidth under our current capacity. Mr. Oswald stated that we are about 5%. The only time it goes up to 25% is when we are doing backups.

Mr. Lee stated that it looks as if Option A is a 12-strand and Option B is a 6-strand. Mr. Oswald stated that with Option B we would be using six available strands from the School's network but if we ran our own we wouldn't be sharing. Mr. Tadych stated that he believes this is correct.

Mr. Lee stated further that Cabling Concepts is less than half of the second bidder. Are we confident in their capabilities; is that a vendor that we have used in the past and have they done a good job? Mr. Oswald stated that they actually do a lot of schools in the area, and they did Bay Village Schools in the past. They have been in business a long time, and they guarantee their work. Mr. Oswald has worked with them with other customers in the area and they have done a good job. They are also local and if there is a problem they are out the same or next day.

Mr. Lee asked what happens if a tree falls and takes down the lines? Is that a City cost to repair them? Mr. Oswald stated it is the City's cost, and even if we did use the School's fiber, sometimes there is an issue if it is the other person's segment.

Mr. Tadych asked if we pay for use of the poles. Mr. Lee stated that the payment is $5.00 per month, forever, for 41 poles or $2,460 a year assuming it doesn't go up. That is a factor that has to be considered.

Mrs. Mahoney asked Mr. Oswald to speak about what we are paying now for the T-1 line at the Service Garage. Mr. Oswald stated that the charge is about $350.00 per month, and the service is very slow.

Mr. Lee asked if there would be a new $350 per month that replaces the T-1 cost of having the fiber optic line up. Mr. Oswald stated that all that would be paid is the pole cost. Putting in the fibers paves the way of putting in Voice Over IP. Part of getting the fiber done is to get the phones. Mr.

Lee asked if we will then save some money on our phone service. Mr. Oswald stated that we will because the T-1 won't be needed. Mr. Lee stated that it would be good to have the information of the additional cost and additional savings all laid out. Mr. Oswald stated that another point is that we are putting in security with access control and video cameras and having the fiber allows having video cameras at the Service Garage.

Mr. Lee stated that he thinks the fiber is the way to go, but do we spend another $17,000 to have our own, or does it make sense to try to do some cost sharing with the Schools. Mr. Oswald stated that he can see the cost savings would be beneficial but on the technical side if he is going to be supporting it he feels it would be better to have our own. He works with a district who just replaced their fiber because they had to cut twice and now their network is working randomly.

Mayor Sutherland stated that this is a very important building block for the future and we have to get this basic piece right in order to make everything else that we are going to build on top of it over the next five or ten years work properly. It is our recommendation, and that of the cabling company, that we do our own.

Mr. Vincent asked about the ten gigabyte upgrade. If you do splice, can you do an upgrade for six lines of the twelve. Mr. Oswald stated that the speed is based on transceivers on each side. Mr. Lee stated that the School's fiber optic is 72 strand. That's what they have in place, according to the Request for Proposal. They have a lot of capacity.

Mr. Tadych asked if the burial of the cable is out of the question, cost-wise. Mr. Oswald stated that all of the other communication equipment, e.g., Time Warner, rides on the poles as well.

Mr. Clark stated that he believes that all agree that this is something that needs to be done, and to be done soon. He asked the installation time of the project and the estimation of the useful life of the project. Mr. Oswald stated that he can find out about the life of the fiber, but usually once it is in its good for 40 to 50 years. Mr. Clark stated that if there is a difference in cost this should be taken into consideration, in terms of the life, as well. Mr. Oswald noted that splicing into the schools would be splicing into fiber that has been there for a while. With new fiber, the glass is different, it's mostly the same but it changes over time. Installation is only a couple of months. Mr. Lee asked if this is something that can be done in the winter months. Mr. Oswald stated that it can be done year around.

Mr. Koomar stated that we are at two or four connections. Having said that, this is Bay Village. We run a new line and there is another big storm and a tree falls on our new fiber optic line and we have to splice it, we are at four then. The idea of spending more may be short lived. Mr. Clark suggested that insurance may cover us to some extent. Mayor Sutherland stated that it has happened at the Fire and Police Station.

Mr. Lee stated that it would be helpful to hear what our anticipated costs are going to be for Voice Over IP phone, and reducing the T-1 expense. This is an investment of the future in our communications and security infrastructure and it makes sense to go this route, but to have all the numbers is important because it is a significant delta between the Option A and Option B, and a

monthly expense that we are going to incur going forward for the pole rights. It would be great to understand where some of those savings are.

Mrs. Mahoney stated that this has already been appropriated, Mr. Oswald is here just to give information. There are really no decisions for Council tonight.

Mr. Lee stated that for the taxpayers $17,000 is significant. This may be the right option, but it is important to have this discussion beforehand.

Mr. Vincent stated that he would like to know how much impact the splicing would have. Mr. Oswald will provide that information.

Mr. Koomar thanked Mr. Oswald for addressing Council.

PLANNING, ZONING & PUBLIC GROUNDS & BUILDINGS COMMITTEE

Mrs. Lieske had no report this evening.

MISCELLANEOUS

RECREATION & PARK IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE

Mr. Henderson stated that tonight he is pleased to bring to the Cahoon Memorial Park Trustees for consideration a motion regarding exercise equipment in Cahoon Memorial Park. This is an idea that was brought forth by two gentlemen: Mr. Miller and Mr. Tyo. Over the past year, this has been discussed in the Recreation and Parks Improvement Committee of Council. It has also been reviewed by the Parks and Recreation Commission, which gave it a thumbs up with unanimous support. Throughout that process over the past year, there have been numerous changes to the proposal made which have been incorporated into the final proposal before Council this evening. Over the past few weeks, the sites were physically documented in Cahoon Memorial Park for observation and the sites themselves were actually moved during the process of identifying those, relative to some prior plans to minimize the potential negative affect on the vista with the lake. There will be a total of nine pieces of equipment in three stations along the walking trail. They are fit pieces of equipment in that they have no moving parts, so there will be no pinching. What they fundamentally offer is another recreational asset to the people of Bay Village. It fills in a gap in our recreational asset portfolio above the level of activity of the walking trail, but below some of the higher intensity things like basketball or tennis.

Mr. Vincent asked if we are trying to find sponsors for the station signs. Mr. Henderson stated that the intent is not to use any City funds. The two gentlemen who have been putting forth the idea intend to engage in a fund raising campaign. In the event they can find corporate sponsors to pay for this, I do believe the intent is to put small signs on the recreational asset instructional signs which would be similar in nature to the kind that are on the park benches already in the park, in terms of scale. Mr. Tyo stated that the sponsor sign would be on the sign itself, same font, same color, just above the explanation of how to use the equipment.

Mrs. Lieske reiterated the numerous concerns she has expressed in previous meetings. The main objection isn't so much the project but the fact that she has only heard from residents who are opposed. Before we move forward with a project of this nature, we should really know what the residents in the whole community want with some kind of survey that would be reliable and statistically valid so we would know how many residents really want this and where they would want it. At this point in time I cannot support it. Regarding the Parks and Recreation Commission, they are citizens appointed to that Commission, but the Commission does not have the capacity for a public hearing and an official way for the public to comment.

Mr. Henderson commented that from a procedural perspective this becomes a motion for the Cahoon Memorial Park Trustees, and therefore may not be subject to the requirement that we do the three readings. But, we have effectively gone through a genuine three-reading type of process with this. Several weeks ago, when this came out of subcommittee and was brought to the Committee of the Whole for first consideration, Mr. Henderson noted, he provided a lengthy discourse on the project itself and there were numerous members of the public that were there. This last week we had quite a bit of public opinion shared at the public meeting of the Council of the Whole session. People have reached out and come to the meetings if they have an opinion on it. There has been public discourse on the project.

Mr. Tadych stated he would personally rather see it at Bradley Road Park. But, we have done an awful lot of effort to change the scope of where the stations are, with my suggestions on a couple of them, and I think it will be alright at Cahoon Memorial Park, but I would much rather see it at Bradley Road Park. Another thing is the sponsors only wanted us to consider Cahoon Memorial Park. They didn't want to sponsor it at Bradley Road Park, and I thought that was an unusual thing.

Regarding the Bay Village Foundation Heritage Race on October 17, 2015, Mr. Lee noted that this will be the sixth annual Heritage Run. The first run was held during the Bicentennial Week in 2010. This is a Saturday morning event that starts in the Community House at 7 a.m. and is finished by about 10 a.m.

AUDIENCE COMMENTS

Carol Cole, Bradley Road resident, commented that the deer have taken all of the enjoyment out of her yard. In the spring there were piles of deer defecation that she had to pick up. The deer are like illegal aliens that are given preferential treatment in our yards. Ms. Cole stated that she has spent thousands of dollars on her garden and they ate it all. Two were hit by cars in front of her home, which probably didn't make any statistics because the cars kept going and the deer got up and staggered away. Eventually, people are going to get killed. Ms. Cole asked if there could be something put into place to keep people from feeding the deer. Mr. Koomar informed Ms. Cole of the ordinance that was past outlawing the feeding of deer and that she should contact the Police Department to report those occurrences.

Ms. Cole asked why the flashing light at the corner of Lake Road and Bradley Road was removed. It is difficult to find the street and the traffic moves very fast. The flashing yellow light made it easier to find the street. Police Chief Spaetzel stated that he will look into the matter.

Mr. Henderson added that he has received complaints from other residents in that general area about the speed near the intersection and the turning behavior in that intersection. To the extent that anything can be done to address any traffic issues in that area, it would be appreciated.

Bill Clements, Parkside Drive resident, stated that the Division of Wildlife are here to maintain the deer population for hunters to kill the deer because their income depends on hunting licenses and deer permits. There is another way of controlling the deer that they have not acknowledged. This is turned over to the Ohio Department of Agriculture. There is a disease that affects deer in the brain and it's fatal and very contagious. They have refused to acknowledge that it would be a way of culling deer and controlling it. I want everyone to be aware that there is a disease that is unique to deer only that cannot be transmitted to any other animal or to humans. Mr. Koomar stated that the Mayor and Police Chief can look at that operationally; that would fall under them, and he thanked Mr. Clements for his comments.

Mary Jo Mazzolini, Osborn Road resident, stated that she has a different approach about the deer. The Creator put them here just like us for enjoyment. They are beautiful. I am the one that got back from Arizona. I did not see one dead animal. I drove 500 miles up and down the state. They said they contain them. They build high fences and do underpasses and overpasses. They treat them with such respect. There are a bunch of plants you can put in your yard to deter deer. Everybody has a right to their opinion, and maybe they want their shrubs to be perfect but I would like people to consider that only six percent of our population are hunters and if we really put a poll out there most people would not want to kill these deer.

Rob Pirnelli, Cleveland Police, Sergeant in the Detective Bureau for 22 years, stated that he coaches soccer here in Bay Village, his children are in Girl Scouts, and he directs traffic at St. Raphael's. He is a big deer hunter. Deer is the best thing you can eat. It has no chemicals in it. You should be able to hunt deer. People are hunting deer forever. Mr. Pirnelli stated he hunts in Kirtland; they make you take a test to make sure you can hit the target and give you a specific area. You hunt from a tree stand with a bow and arrow. Biologists at the Holden Arboretum have stated that you have to shoot four out of ten deer to keep the population under control.

Jo Boettcher, resident, stated that she had the question a couple of meetings ago about the exercise trail, bringing up the point that the Bay High School had with that equipment years ago and took it out. The rumor Ms. Boettcher heard was that it was a liability. Mr. Koomar stated that he checked with a Board of Education member and the Superintendent and they have no recollection of a safety issue. They said it might have gone past its useful life but there were no safety issues they could recall. Mr. Henderson noted that they got back in writing to that effect.

There being no further discussion, the meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

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Paul Koomar, President of Council Joan Kemper, Clerk of Council