

# CITY OF BAY VILLAGE

## CAHOON MEMORIAL PARK TRUSTEES

February 6, 2012

Paul A. Koomar, President of Council, presiding

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

Others

Present: Law Director Ebert, Finance Director Presley, Service Director Galli, Police Chief Wright, Fire Chief Lyons, Community Services Director Bock, Recreation Director Enovitch, Operations Manager Landers

## AUDIENCE

The following members of the audience signed in this evening: Kent Silverberg, Gerry Schreibman, Carole Roske, Michael O'Boyle, D.A. Volle

Mr. Koomar called the meeting to order at 7:37 p.m. in the conference room of Bay Village City Hall.

### **Demolition of the Cahoon Memorial Park Rental Property (Northeast corner of Cahoon/Wolf Roads)**

**Mr. Miller** stated that at the last Cahoon Memorial Park Trustees Committee meeting there was discussion of the motion pending for the demolition of the Cahoon Memorial Park rental house at Cahoon Road and Wolf Road, with Mr. Miller requesting a two week extension for fact finding to see if an alternative idea, whether it is to move the house intact, or, to demolish it. At this point, we have not been contacted by anyone from the public who would like to purchase the home and remove it from the property for a fee of \$1.00 to the city. Mr. Miller stated that at this point the motion that had been tabled previously is probably one for further discussion or to move forward.

**Mr. Young** stated that previous discussion was that instead of actually making the demolition effective in 30 days making it a little longer so that it would be effective the first date after a meeting of the Cahoon Memorial Park Trustees that falls after the thirty day period. That date would be March 13, 2012. Mrs. Lieske noted that she will be out of town on March 12, 2012.

Mr. Koomar noted that Mr. Young's point is that if an offer does come forward for removal of the house from the property the trustees would have an opportunity to vote on the offer before the home is demolished.

Mr. Pohlkamp asked what publications have mentioned this offer so far besides the *Sun Newspaper*. There have been no other publications in local newspapers. Mrs. Roske of the Bay Village Historical Society stated that she has not received any calls. Mrs. Roske did see it posted

on the internet this evening. Mrs. Roske stated that she is happy to see that the trustees are going to wait for the thirty day period to give an interested party a chance to step forward. Mr. Miller stated that there hasn't been any formal evidence that there is a group compiling funds specifically to keep the home in perpetuity. Mr. Young noted that if, indeed, that does materialize there is still a chance to rescind the order for demolition. Mr. Miller noted that the home is there, it costs a small amount of money to maintain and it is not getting any worse or falling apart. The other option is to remove the motion and not move toward demolition. Mr. Young stated that one of the reasons the city is looking for demolition now is the season of the year. The Service Department workers are busy during spring, summer and fall, but there are days in the winter when there is no snow and there is more time available. Service Director Galli stated that if the process goes as discussed, the city would be assisting Habitat for Humanity in the removal of the components of the home in which they have expressed interest.

Mr. Young asked if the Fire and/or Police Departments are interested in doing training in the home. Chief Lyons and Chief Wright both expressed interest. Mr. Young stated that after Habitat for Humanity has their opportunity for removal of components the Fire Chief and Police Chief will schedule their training sessions in the home before demolition. Chief Wright will need the home one day for training purposes, possibly two, and the police training session will be held prior to the Fire Department training session.

Mr. Pohlkamp stated that a resident asked if the city is still paying for the utility bills for the home. Mr. Presley stated that the home has been winterized. The heat is off; electricity is still available.

**Motion** by Miller to demolish the rental home at the northeast corner of Wolf Road and Cahoon Road with a period of time not to be any less than the 30 days that would provide the demolition permit to be issued on the 13<sup>th</sup> of March. **Motion carried 7-1.** (Mr. Tadych voted nay).

There being no further business to come before the Cahoon Memorial Park Trustees, the meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

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Paul A. Koomar, President of Council

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Joan Kemper, Clerk of Council