

Shawneeland Sanitary District Advisory Committee
Minutes of February 1, 2016

The meeting was called to order at 7:04pm.

Those in attendance were Lynn Schmitt, Michelle Landon, Marianne Biviano, Jeff Stevens, Gary Lofton, Kevin Alderman, Michelle Springer, and 13 people in the audience.

First on the agenda was approval/correction of the November 2, 2015 minutes. Lynn asked for a correction to be made to the minutes. The November 2016 quarterly meeting will actually be on the 7th not the 1st. Michelle L. made a motion to approve the minutes. Jeff seconded the motion. The minutes were passed unanimously.

Next on the agenda is the 2016-2017 Fiscal Year Budget:

There will be one major change to the upcoming budget. The part-time position will become a full-time position with benefits. There will not be a Sanitary District Fee increase for the upcoming Fiscal Year. There will not be a beach attendant for the upcoming summer season. It was asked what the Fiscal Year calendar runs. The Fiscal Year runs July 1st thru June 30th. A resident asked that according to the budget there is money allocated for a newsletter. The money is actually there for surveys not newsletters. Are there any plans to inform the community? We already have a Facebook page, there are flip signs, and we put up notices. At this time we do not have plans to do a newsletter. Has it ever been brought up to change the meeting dates or times. This was discussed quite some time ago at a meeting. What about doing a seasonal newsletter? What about putting a bulletin board at both mailhouses? We could do that but it would have to be something with a lock as many things that are posted get torn down. Another resident doesn't feel the need to receive anything in the mail but does think that the social media presence could be greater. You could just post that there is something new available (minutes, etc.) and have residents that are interested just pick it up from the office. Are there any other questions pertaining to the budget? Barry made motion to endorse the Fiscal Year 2016-2017 budget. Jeff seconded the motion. All committee members were in favor of endorsing the 2016-2017 budget.

Next there was supposed to be a representative here from Comcast at the meeting but he did not show up. Comcast has started on Hayfield and are working towards Shawneeland. They should be finished by the end of spring. They plan to do 40% overhead and 60% underground. We do not know the packages yet but it will include internet, home security, telephone, and tv. They will not be going up Wolf Spring Trail. If you get enough people at the top then maybe they would reconsider. They just do not have the justification of cost for installment at the top. When they are closer to being finished, they will have a salesman out trying to get the residents signed up.

Next on the agenda is the Council House:

Gary L. apologized to Anna for the County Attorney not getting back with her; he has been busy on other County business. To look at the possibility of selling off a parcel of land is doable. It would be a little over 2.5 acres that would have to be parceled out. It would then have to be surveyed and then advertised that it is for sale. There would have to be access to the roadway. It's a little over 100,000 square feet. He does not know what the asking price would be. Is there a survey that would have to be done because of the flood plain map? Current flood plain maps are available. FEMA requested it be updated because it hasn't been done since the 70's. This could take a year to a year and a half before we could hear back from them. What about selling just the Council House and it being relocated? Before someone would buy the area they would want to go to planning to see what they could use the site for. Whoever would purchase the site would be free to do with it as they please as long as it is in the confines of the Frederick County and Virginia State Codes. Anna gave an update from the subcommittee meeting. The subcommittee has discussed purchasing the property as a co-operative effort. She said some possibilities as an end result could be a meeting room, community center, and could provide bathrooms to the community. A few issues concerning the Council House are to update the current flood zone maps, the fact that there will need to have a well and septic installed, there is no drain field, and how the sale will affect the ratio to have enough green space. The Council House would be a straight sale not auctioned. It could be listed with a realtor, put in the newspaper, or listed by the SSDAC. Part of the subcommittee's consideration on what they thought was of interest if they purchase it would be the Council House, the parking lot, the cemetery, and the spring. What is the time period we are looking at? If this is the route the committee chooses to take then the sooner the better. Like a 3 weeks or a month. Gary didn't know if it could be done in that time frame. The process will be whatever the SSDAC decides to do then it will go to the Publics Work Committee then on to the Board of Supervisors. When it goes to the Board of Supervisor's residents can come and comment on it. What are the other options besides selling it? Demolition will be a last resort. If the Council House is sold the money will go into the Reserve Fund for Shawneeland. The committee's comments are that we do not have enough information at this time to make a decision. Barry made a motion to table the discussion until the SSDAC receives additional information. Lynn seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. Once the SSDAC receives the additional information a special meeting will be called and minutes will be taken. They will then make a formal decision. There will be notice of the special meeting posted on Facebook as well as both mail houses.

Kevin presented the manager's report:

Kevin thanked the community for their cooperation through the snow storm. For the most part residents kept their vehicles off the roadway which helped in getting the roads cleared. The total cost for the snow storm \$14,073. Since it was declared a Federal Disaster, there is a possibility of recouping some of the funds used during the storm. The tree cutting project has made some progress. We have a few more that need to come down via the tree company. The Cochise Trail Closure project has been started. There is a small cul-de-sac that has been put in. Before we finish, we will give notice and the fire department has been notified. We have built 2 new picnic tables for the beach. The lake level has risen. The playground equipment at the Maple playground is something that we need to discuss. It is plastic and is aged and becoming brittle. This may be something to discuss and put on the agenda for the next

meeting. We have manufactured 300 new street signs; we will install them as needed. I have ordered post to put the Stop signs and Trail signs on the same post instead of having 2 posts. The fish for the fishing derby will be ordered on February 11th. 75 fish for each pond. A resident commended Kevin and the crew for the job they did during the snow removal. There were 14 guys here to help with the snow removal.

New Business – None

Public Forum – Will Comcast be at the next meeting? We will contact Art Coleman to see if they will be at the next meeting.

Barry made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Michelle L. seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 7:59pm.