

WHITING VILLAGE AT CRESTWOOD COMM. ASSOC. INC.

SUNSHINE MEETING MINUTES

JUNE 15 2023

Meeting opened at 10 AM. Pledge of Allegiance performed. All Trustees present. President Rosetta DeLuca introduced our Guest Speaker, Manchester Mayor Robert Arace.

Mayor Arace gave the residents updates on all topics being addressed by Manchester. He also opened the floor to residents' questions and concerns.

Included were the following: Senior Services will have an adjunct office at the old Whiting First Aid building beginning June 30. It will be supervised by Mayor's Advisor Judy Noonan, who will have an office there to assist residents.

Eventually all Senior Services offered at the office at Manchester library parking lot will be offered at this site.

Manchester is aggressively pursuing the county's purchase of various lots in Manchester through their Open Space Committee. The county has 60 million dollars to spend on acquiring land to be used as Open Spaces, and never built upon. The land that USHome was requesting a variance to build upon on Cherry Street is being investigated for possible purchase; most of the land would be kept Open Spaces, with a few acres set aside to build two or three houses for Wounded Warriors.

The Mayor also spoke about the rewritten language of the bill that now states "Places of Assembly" rather than the original "Places of Religious Use", so as to update the intent of the ordinance, referencing ALL types of assemblies, not just religious use. Mayor said that using a private home as a religious assembly place is still not allowed. This language change will be addressed at the next Manchester Board meeting. There are a number of liquor licenses available in order to possibly attract a restaurant in the Commons. Manchester will offer the licenses at a discounted rate to anyone planning on using the Whiting Com The Mayor then opened the floor to residents' questions:

Q.: What about Whiting Commons ?

A.: Conditions at Whiting Commons have deteriorated; potholes, missing signs, etc., have resulted in liens,

Violations have been issued by Township; they are working with the mall's owner to rectify the situation.

Q..: Speed Bump on Cherry St needed.

A.: Manchester is discussing this. Any changes would need County or State approval.

Q.: Competition for Xfinity cable tv in CV7?

A.: We have met with Xfinity; Rate increases were approved by BPU Board. Manchester Township will get a higher annual payment from Xfinity. Xfinity owns the cable lines, and no other company wants to spend the necessary \$\$ to be able to compete here.

Q.: JCP&L contract with Manchester?

A.: JCP&L will again offer the Energy Aggregation & offer a lower rate to some customers living in CV7.

Q.: Speed Bumps on Cherry St and elsewhere, also questions about traffic light at Cherry St and 530 changing very slowly.

A.: The fire dept objects to a speed bump at that location because of fire trucks getting out. Mayor will take note of problem with traffic light and attempt to alleviate the situation.

Judy Noonan announced that the Lockbox Program is filled; none are now available. She will try to be allowed more to distribute.

Mayor exited the meeting; meeting continued with reading of MAY SUNSHINE MEETING minutes. A RESOLUTION was read & voted upon by the Board entitled "Temporary Board Trustee Holdover". This RESOLUTION declares the decision of the present Board of Trustees to have a one-time temporary holdover in 2023 for 4 Trustees to remain in office until 2024 elections, which will bring this Village's elections into compliance with terms of office set forth in our Bylaws. It passed unanimously.

Ken Stebner announced that inground garbage cans are now being installed. He said that necessary repairs to Clubhouse auditorium will be performed by HALEBUILT.

Robert Buonanno announced that Pickleball is being planned for inside the auditorium, due to the cost of constructing an outside court. The Board said there will be a miniature golf set up outside in the picnic area; We are in the process of constructing it at this time.

Floor opened for residents' questions and comments:

Board explained the aforementioned RESOLUTION to residents & answered questions pertaining to such. The Board also answered inquiries as to the upcoming ACH program. This program is scheduled to begin Sept. 1 2023. It was noted that ACH apps were available at table at back of auditorium.

The Board also assured a resident that the Village is awarded a credit from our Landscaping company due to no snowstorms this past winter.

There were other questions answered on various other topics.

In a closing statement, President Rosetta DeLuca stated that residents are becoming annoyed & frustrated at the constant nitpicking complaints & objections to every single endeavor and action of the present board made at every single Sunshine Meeting by a small group of residents. Because of the attitude of this small group of residents, every Sunshine meeting is contentious and uncomfortable for the majority of residents. There

has not been a single positive opinion of any of the accomplishments of this Board by this group of residents since this Board's election almost 2 years ago.

Meeting closed at approximately 11:30 AM; next SUNSHINE MEETING is scheduled for July 20 2023 at 10 AM.