

Executive Session
Wapella Village Board
June 19, 2012
Village Hall

approved
12-18-12

Present were Trustees Vernon Meadows, Tom Brame, Rusty Karr, Sharon Riddle and John Goergen. Also present were President Mark Miller, Clerk Elizabeth Weikle and Attorney Nick Grojean.

President Miller asked Nick Grojean to fill the board in on the litigation.

Nick Grojean said informed the board about the Buraglio case. It went before the court for a final appeal and was dismissed. He then informed the board that the Walnut Circle lawsuit had been on hold for several months. Then recently there was an appearance in court. He said he had attended and there was some discussion over discovery pertaining to the case. He said the Village had not received any letter asking for discovery for the case. He then told the board that they would be going back to court in September. He told them there had been some discussion amongst the lawyer about a possible settlement. The Village is continuing their position of neutrality. They do have to take part in the settlement procedures. One of the possible solutions being suggested is to move one of the billboards North. The Plaintiffs would have to agree to it and the sign company would have to agree to pay for it. Nick then said it is his understanding there is a County hearing to possibly move the signs into the Counties Jurisdiction. There is nothing currently concrete to report, other than this is an ongoing situation. If there is any resolution to this, I will bring it back for you to agree on. Are there any questions?

President Miller then moved on to the review of the closed session minutes.

The Clerk said that the December 20, 2011 minutes needed to be approved for content and then whether or not to release them. The June 21, 2011 need a determination of whether or not to release them.

John Goergen said there was a typo on the December 20, 2011 that said 2012.

The Clerk said when we approve those we will approve them with the correction.

The Board agreed to the approval of the minutes from December 20, 2011 with the correction. John Goergen and Tom Brame abstained from the vote since they were not present at the meeting.

The Clerk then asked if the board wished to release the minutes to the public. She then asked the Attorney if she should revise the last paragraph on the Geddes settlement.

The Attorney said it was up to the board if they thought the material would be sensitive to the person in regards to the settlement details.

President Miller said to remove the language in regards to the details of the settlement but leave the amount since it is FOIAble anyway.

The Board agreed to release the December 20, 2011 minutes with the amendments.

President Miller then moved on to the June 21, 2011 minutes.

The Board agreed not to release the June 21, 2011 minutes.

Rusty Karr motioned to leave executive session. Vernon Meadows seconded.

Ayes: Vernon Meadows, Tom Brame, Rusty Karr, Sharon Riddle and John Goergen.

Nays: None.

Absent: Brad Karr.

Motion carried 5 to 0 with 1 absent.