

COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE
January 2, 2008

A. Roll call

Present at roll call were Alderpersons Schuringa, Hunter, Koch, and Alt. Hanson. Also present were Fire Chief Raush, DPW Finkenbinder, Police Chief Kelley, Mayor Marsh, Alderpersons Henke and Lefevre, and a rep from the Monroe Times.

B. Correction of Minutes

None

C. Business:

1. Discuss and approve proposed west side fire station to be located in Honey Creek Business & Industry Park

Kent Kallembach, Admin. Vahlsing, and Alder Ingwell arrived at this time. Fire Chief Rausch explained. This is just to set the land aside and authorize a CSM to be done. Motion made by Alderperson Koch and seconded by Alderperson Hunter to approve. Alderperson Coplien arrived. Questions and discussion took place. Alderperson Coplien mentioned that if a new station is built, space should be freed up in the current station that could be used by Police Dept. Motion carried.

2. Discuss minimum building size requirements for sale of land in industrial parks and take action

Admin Vahlsing explained. Land sale terms in the industrial park were changed earlier this year. He feels we need a minimum square footage size for buildings. He has been approached by someone who wants to build mini storage and he does not feel that this is what the industrial park and \$1.00 land sale is intended for. He recommends an 8,000 or 9,000 square foot minimum, but the committee could look at and approve smaller square footage buildings on a case by case basis. Questions and discussion took place. Alderperson Coplien mentioned that possibly there should be multiple criteria such as valuation, sq. footage or jobs, and that maybe it should be required to meet 2 out of the 3 criteria. DPW Finkenbinder said that we need to plan for different types of businesses, and he said that he doesn't want to make it a free-for-all. Alderperson Koch said the industrial park

was set up to develop employment, and that shouldn't be forgotten. More questions and discussion took place. Admin. Vahlsing will look into this further and come back with some more information and recommendations. Motion made by Alderperson Koch and seconded by Alderperson Schuringa to bring this up again at a future meeting. Motion carried.

D. Business by Members

None

E. Adjournment

Motion made by Alderperson Koch and seconded by Alderperson Hunter to adjourn. Motion carried.

Carol J. Stamm, CMC, WCMC
City Clerk