

The Village of Northfield
SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING
November 5, 2008

Mayor Milani called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM following the Pledge of Allegiance. The roll was called by Mayor Milani with the following present: Mr. Lewis, Mr. Barber, Mrs. Greenlee, Mr. Noack, Mr. Nehez, and Mrs. Bowen.

Mayor Milani discussed the election results. Mayor Milani stated that we are all happy that the levy passed bringing in another \$110,000. He also wanted to thank everyone who helped with the levy. Mr. Noack said that he is very ecstatic the levy passed and he feels that it is positive move and that the residents really look at that. Mayor Milani said that the final figure was 58% to 42% in favor of passage.

Next was the discussion about the consolidation of the Service Department Secretary into the Administrative Clerk position. Mayor Milani stated that Jason Walters feels that Kelly hasn't worked out as well as they have hoped in that position and her last day will be November 14. Mayor Milani said that Lisa Rodriguez has been doing a lot of her job that Kelly was to be doing. Mayor Milani asked Mr. Barber to call a Wages and Working Conditions meeting for Wednesday, November 12, 2008 at 6:30p. prior to the regular council meeting that night. Mayor Milani said he would like to discuss increases the adjustment in Lisa Rodriguez's pay.

Now Mayor Milani discussed the building/land regarding the Service Department expansion. Rich Wasosky went out with Chris While to look at the Jellison building. Mr. Wasosky can not figure out where they came up with the appraised figure of \$109,000. It is a 5,000 sq. ft. building, Mr. Wasosky is under the opinion that a used building is anywhere from \$50-\$60 per sq. ft., which should be about \$50,000. The building does sit on 1.34 acres. Mr. Wasosky expressed to Mayor Milani if we can get it for \$250,000-\$280,000 that it is a steal. Mayor Milani advised that Finance Director Bob Riedel suggested that paying for the whole building would create budgetary restraints. Mr. Walters told Mayor Milani that he needs a sewer jet for \$150,000, a salt shed for \$50-\$60,000, and in 2 years Sagamore Road project will encumber us \$100,000. So over the next 2 years that is around \$300,000 dollars. Mayor Milani said we know that we need the sewer jet for \$150,000. Mr. Walters feels that his budget can handle the purchase of the property. Mayor Milani said that this will solve the problem of record keeping, we can keep the salt shed there instead of where it is currently at due to seepage. Mr. Wasosky told Mayor Milani that the price of a new building would be \$100-\$125 sq ft, and for us to duplicate a 5,000 sq. ft building would be \$500,000 plus. Mayor Milani said that we also own land behind this property for expansion purposes if need be. Mr. Walters told Mayor Milani that he would use current building for storage purposes and work out of the new building. Mr. Lewis said that he asked Jason today about any possible future costs, such as a fence which would be around \$5,000-\$6,000. Mr. Walters stated that they might need a couple desks and chairs. Mr. Wasosky suggested to Mayor

Milani that if we do consider to purchase this property, we have written in the contract to have an asbestos test and a hazardous materials test done due to it being built around 1964. Mr. Walters said that he and Chris While were discussing building on the current property, but due to the storm sewer running through the property, the sewer would have to be widened due to back up, and you can't build over it. Also there is a problem with where to place the salt, due to the storm creek and the height of the pile. Mayor Milani said that overall we are going to have to sit down with the Jellison and get a price on the property, also a couple appraisals. Mayor Milani said that he would like council to approve at least getting an appraisal on this property at the council meeting on November 12th.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:55 PM following a motion by Mrs. Greenlee and second by Mrs. Bowen. The motion carried with 6 ayes.

Respectfully Submitted by:

Lisa M. Rodriguez

Lisa M. Rodriguez, Administrative Clerk

Attest:

President of Council _____

Clerk of Council