

**Town of Parish
Board Workshop
April 27, 2023**

The Parish Town Board met at Merrill Park at 6:30 pm.

Present: Supervisor Bernys, Councilor G. R. Horning, Councilor D. Houghton, Councilor G. Wood, Sue Halbritter, Queen Central News; Todd Ingersoll, Nick Pidkaminy, Al Wert, APW Little League; Paul Baxter, Tug Hill Rep.

Excused: Councilor R. Eaton-Novak.

The Board:

1. Looked over and discussed the baseball fields with the reps of the Little League that were present.
2. Looked over and discussed the playground equipment that was presently there.
3. Looked over and discussed the paving and sealing of the tennis courts.

The Board ended their tour of the park at 7:20 pm.

The Board reconvened at the Parish Village Gym at 7:30 pm.

Roll Call: Sup. Bernys; Councilor G.R. Horning; Councilor D. Houghton and Councilor G. Wood.

Excused: Councilor R. Eaton-Novak.

Also Present: P. Baxter, Tug Hill Rep.

Old Business:

Merrill Park: The Board went over the bids for the paving and sealing of the tennis courts at Merrill Park. The Board received 3 bids.

1. Murphy Installations-\$60,500.
2. J & S- \$50,000.
3. Lightening Paving-\$52,000.

Councilor Wood made a motion to accept J & S's bid for \$50,000 and \$5,000 for sealing, which was seconded by Councilor Horning. Roll taken.... Carried.

Merrill Park Fencing Quotes: Councilor Wood made a motion to get quotes for the fencing at Merrill Park, which was seconded by Councilor Houghton. Roll taken.... Carried.

Purchase of Sand: Councilor Wood motioned to approve up to \$1,000 to purchase sand for the baseball fields at Merrill Park, seconded by Councilor Houghton. Roll taken.... Carried.

ARPA Funds: Councilor Wood made a motion to use ARPA funds for the paving, sealing and fencing at Merrill Park, which was seconded by Councilor Houghton. Roll taken.... Carried.

New Truck: Councilor Wood made a motion to purchase a new truck for the Highway Dept., for \$72,556 out of the ARPA funds, which was seconded by Supervisor Bernys. Roll taken.... Carried.

LED Conversions: Councilor Houghton made a motion to use \$8000 of ARPA funds to convert the park lights to LED, which was seconded by Councilor Wood. Roll taken.... Carried.

Committee for Playground Equipment: Councilors Houghton and Wood will be on the committee and the Board will contact CARPP, which Councilor Horning is a member of, and get their input. Some ideas are to update the frisbee golf area, get soccer goals and some BBQ grills. \$55,000 was budgeted for the playground plus there was \$21,000 left over from last year. Councilor Horning made a motion to apply \$50,000 of the ARPA funds for the playground, which was seconded by Councilor Houghton. Roll taken.... Carried.

Mini Bridge: Councilor G. Wood suggested the Board have a mini bridge put in the park over a wet spot between the playground and the baseball field.

Highway Garage Alarm Bids: The Board opened the 2 bids.

1. Doyle-\$6300 plus \$45 per month monitoring fee.
2. Fire Detection System-\$11,295 plus \$500 annual monitoring fee.

Councilor Wood made a motion to accept Doyle's bid for the Highway Garage alarm system, which was seconded by Councilor Houghton. Roll taken.... Carried.

County Mowing Agreement: The County pays the Town \$8,000 for us to mow their sections of roads in the Town. Councilor Wood made a motion to accept the County Mowing Agreement, which was seconded by Councilor Houghton. Roll taken.... Carried.

Valley Gate: Councilor Horning said he was not pleased when the County changed the name of St. Mary's Road to Valley Gate without input from the Town.

Insurance: The Board discussed the Town's insurance.

Reserves: Sup. Bernys said he is working on setting up reserves for the Town's bank accounts.

Business off the Floor: None.

Adjournment: Councilor Houghton made a motion to adjourn at 8:40 pm, which was seconded by Councilor Horning. Roll taken.... Carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Evelyn M. Stelmashuck, Parish Town Deputy Clerk