

City of Saxman Building and Ordinance Committee Meeting April 12, 2022 4:00 PM

# **MINUTES**

## Call to Order

Mayor Seludo called the meeting was called to order at 4:16 PM

## Roll Call

PRESENT Mayor Frank Seludo Committee Member Woody Watson Committee Member Denny Blair Committee Member Norman Natkong Sr.

ABSENT Vice Mayor Billy Joe Thomas Committee Member Rick Makua Committee Member Gabriella Blair

### **Public Comment**

There were no public comments.

### **Consideration of the Agenda**

There was a motion made to accept the agenda as presented. Motion Passed.

Motion made by Committee Member Watson, Seconded by Committee Member Blair. Voting Yea: Mayor Seludo, Committee Member Watson, Committee Member Blair, Committee Member Natkong Sr.

### **Old Business**

1. Land Swap Request

Background: Joe Williams Jr. would like to approach the Council again asking to trade land plots.

President Joe Williams gave an oral report on the condition and values of the land he has to offer for trade. He mentioned based on the surveying he had done on this land there is a high value in the current market. This trade would be beneficial to both parties involved. He is willing to cover the costs for surveying and marking for the trade. The land he has to offer is square foot by for square foot, so we do not have to have an appraisal.

Discussion:

Mayor Seludo mentioned that this trade would be in line with our Master Plan and would be of value to the City of Saxman and its future growth This trade would allow us to build our playground and allows room for much more development

Councilor D. Blair: The trade seems like a good idea. I agree with the Mayor on the opportunity for growth and development down there.

Councilor Natkong: There is a lot of muskegs that need to be taken out in that area and shot rock to redo the land. He mentioned that the property up behind his residence does not have a lot of muskegs and would be a great spot to put a playground. There needs to be consideration on how much work there is going to be for this trade.

President Joe Williams: To be specific there is 18 inches of muskeg. I had it checked out when I had plans for construction in that area. The biggest concern would be cutting the trees down over there. I had a contractor quote for installation of putting in a drivable road including the property up to the rock on the highway. The quote was an estimate of \$37,000 ready for construction. This would include clearing the muskegs and the installation of drivable road. He also had a contractor investigate installation of putting a 4-6 plex in that land. There would need to be a phase plan put into place for this type of work. President Joe Williams mentioned that there are no current plans/master plan for the property he is requesting for trade with the City of Saxman.

City Administrator L. Richmond: The area located by the water offered in the trade would be a great location for building a municipal building, a charter school, a board walk or the new location for the fire station. There is also plenty of land to have new homes built. The one thought I have regarding the boardwalk is that we could not loop the boardwalk up to Killer Whale Avenue or Eagle Avenue. Mainly, those two lots fit in well with the Master Plan and Municipal Services.

Mayor Seludo: A teen center could be put in over there that would be beneficial for the youth and the parents of our community.

Councilor Watson: I like the idea of acquiring more land for the Master Plan that would arise from this trade of land. Although I would like to hear what the rest of the council thinks on this matter.

Mayor Seludo asked President Joe Williams if he would be willing to sell the property at fair market value without the trade. He is willing to do so and will provide more details at the next Regular Council Meeting. The trade is his preference but is willing to go through with selling the land.

Discussion:

Councilor Natkong: I like the idea of buying at fair market value rather than the trade of land.

Councilor D. Blair: [I would like to] hear the thoughts of the other Council members in regards of this matter. I do like the idea of acquiring this land either by trade or the purchase of this land.

Councilor Watson: [I would like to] recommend bringing this before the rest of the council and bring fair market value price for discussion.

The Council requested we add this to the agenda for the next Regular Council Meeting and President Joe Williams provide fair market value price to present to the Council.

### **New Business**

There was no new business.

#### **Council Comments**

### Adjournment

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting. Motion Passed.

Motion made by Committee Member Watson, Seconded by Committee Member Blair. Voting Yea: Mayor Seludo, Committee Member Watson, Committee Member Blair, Committee Member Natkong Sr.

The meeting was adjourned.

Frank Seludo, Mayor

Lori Richmond, City Clerk