

City of Franklin
Quarry Monitoring Committee Meeting
April 24, 2013
Minutes

Approved as
Amended
May 30, 2013

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Wilhelm called the April 24, 2013 regular Quarry Monitoring Committee meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. in the Hearing Room at Franklin City Hall, 9229 West Loomis Road, Franklin, Wisconsin.

Present were Aldermen Schmidt and Wilhelm, and Members Shore and Knueppel. Also present was Planning Manager Dietl.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- a. Regular meeting of March 28, 2013.

Alderman Schmidt moved and Member Knueppel seconded approval of the March 28, 2013 minutes of the regular meeting of the Quarry Monitoring Committee as amended at Item V. c. and Item V. d. On voice vote, all voted 'aye'. Motion carried.

III. CITIZEN COMMENT PERIOD

The Citizen Comment period was opened at 6:37 p.m. Le Roy Lewandowski, 8030 West Winston Way, came forward and indicated his dissatisfaction with the process of filing a Quarry Complaint that dust issues are not being treated as a public nuisance. No other citizens came forward. The Citizen Comment period was closed at 6:39 p.m.

IV. HEARINGS

- a. None.

No action needed. None taken.

V. BUSINESS

- a. Review of the Common Council's motions to hire Stantec Consulting Services Inc. for a one year contract to monitor the Vulcan and Payne & Dolan quarries on behalf of the City and to authorize the quarry Monitoring Committee to determine the time-frames for monitoring services, and discussion of the steps necessary to implement those actions.

Alderman Wilhelm provided a brief summary of the Common Council action on this item. Discussion ensued about when the monitoring should occur, and whether it needs to be unannounced or not. The Committee agreed that monitoring would generally not be announced, and would be conducted at the Committee's and consultant's discretion.

Alderman Wilhelm suggested that information about the frequency and pattern of historic complaints be provided to the consultant to assist them in determining when monitoring should take place.

Alderman Schmidt inquired about the questions raised in Payne & Dolan's letter of April 16th about the monitoring contract. Planning Manager Dietl indicated that it appeared most of the questions pertained to the type of air quality monitoring to be conducted. Mr. Dietl noted that the proposal from Stantec envisions the use of a device that would provide real time, useful, data in a cost-effective manner but this would not be to the level of detail or accuracy required for a definition PM10 standard. He indicated if potential problems or violations arose, the Consultant would be prepared to obtain such definitive readings with the approval of the City.

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Discussion revolved around the consideration that the consultant monitoring reports should include information on the type of any dust or air quality event and should include appropriate recommendations to resolve any issues.

Pursuant to further discussion on this topic, Member Knueppel moved that staff should relay to the consultant that the Committee prefers random monitoring of the quarries, that the provision of prior notification of such monitoring to the quarries is not required as such monitoring will not take place on their property, and that such monitoring should be focused upon those times the quarry is at its most active based upon previous levels of activity or at such other times as necessary or appropriate. Seconded by Alderman Schmidt. On voice vote, all voted 'aye'. Motion carried.

- b. Review and approval of a summary of quarry monitoring and related information for placement on the City cable access channel and in the City newsletter.

Alderman Wilhelm noted that she had prepared a proposed short article for the City newsletter which was handed out that evening to the Committee members for their review. The Committee agreed to forward Alderman Wilhelm's proposed article, with a few revisions, for inclusion in the next newsletter.

The Committee also agreed that for the City's cable access channel, that the information should be formatted to be compatible with the PowerPoint format the cable access TV uses, with further input from Member Knueppel, for Committee review at its next meeting.

- c. Continued review and discussion of the dust control methods utilized by the Vulcan and Payne & Dolan quarries and of possible additional or alternative methods.

Committee discussion occurred about quarry dust in general, and along West Rawson Avenue in particular, and its possible relationship to the City's nuisance regulations. The Committee also discussed both quarries dust control methods, comparisons between them, and their relationship to any standard industry best management practices.

Motion by Member Knueppel, seconded by Alderman Schmidt, to suspend the regular order of business to allow representatives of Vulcan Materials and Payne & Dolan to speak. All voted 'aye', motion carried.

Mr. Clint Weninger, Payne & Dolan, noted that Payne & Dolan follows all Department of Natural Resource requirements, and that much of their Fugitive Dust Control Plan is based directly on DNR materials and information.

Planning Manager Dietl presented some of the differences between the quarries plans for Fugitive Dust Control and it was noted that Vulcan Materials Fugitive Dust Control plan appears more effective. For example, Vulcan does, but Payne & Dolan does not include wheel wash of trucks leaving the quarry. The Committee asked if Payne & Dolan would be willing to look at and consider incorporation of similar practices in their own plan. Mr. Weninger agreed to review and consider that information.

Motion by Member Knueppel to suspend the regular order of business to allow members of the audience to speak. Seconded by Alderman Schmidt. All voted 'aye', motion carried.

Mr. Lewandowski of 8030 West Winston Way came forward and noted that the dust on West Rawson Avenue can create a dangerous situation and that the County had installed a sign on

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Rawson Avenue near the quarry warning about slippery road conditions.

Member Knueppel moved and Alderman Schmidt seconded to return to the regular order of business. All voted 'aye', motion carried.

Alderman Wilhelm noted she will place this item on the Committee's next agenda for continued discussion.

- d. Discussion of an anticipated tour of the Vulcan and Payne & Dolan quarries by the Quarry Monitoring Committee during the spring of 2013.

The Committee discussed their intent to have a site visit/tour of the quarries in the near future, and indicated staff should contact the quarry operators for further details and to arrange such a visit.

- e. Review and discussion of the Planned Development District No. 23 and Planned Development District No. 24 ordinances.

Alderman Wilhelm suggested that the Committee members should review the ordinance governing Planned Development District No. 23 to gain more familiarity of it and to identify any questions or concerns they may have, for discussion with the full Committee. Each member and staff, were then assigned a few pages to study. It was requested that staff and Alderman Schmidt report back to the Committee at the next scheduled meeting. It was then discussed that any concerns or recommendations for changes could eventually be forwarded to the Common Council for their consideration.

VI. SCHEDULE NEXT MEETING

On general consensus it was agreed that the next scheduled meeting of the Quarry Monitoring Committee will be Thursday, May 23, 2013 at 6:30 p.m., or at the call of the Chairman.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

Member Shore moved and Alderman Schmidt seconded to adjourn the meeting at 7:35 p.m. All voted 'aye'; motion carried.