

City of Franklin
Quarry Monitoring Committee Meeting
November 29, 2012
Minutes

Approved as
Amended
February 28, 2013

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Wilhelm called the November 29, 2012 regular Quarry Monitoring Committee meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. in the Lower Level Conference Room at Franklin City Hall, 9229 West Loomis Road, Franklin, Wisconsin.

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

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- a. Regular meeting of October 11, 2012.

Commissioner Kneueppel moved and Alderman Schmidt seconded approval of the October 11, 2012 minutes of the regular meeting of the Quarry Monitoring Committee as amended at Item V.a. and Item V.d. On voice vote, all voted 'aye'. Motion carried.

III. CITIZEN COMMENT PERIOD

The Citizen Comment period was opened at 6:40 p.m. Le Roy Lewandowski, 8030 West Winston Way, spoke concerning quarry blasting operations, street dust and maintenance and required berm. Shirley Sem, 7716 South 51st Street, spoke regarding the required berm along South 51st Street. No other citizens came forward. The Citizen Comment period was closed at 6:55 p.m.

IV. HEARINGS

- a. None.

No action needed. None taken.

V. BUSINESS

- a. Discussion of the quarry complaint process, including those procedures undertaken by the individual quarry operators.

Planning Manager Dietl introduced Vulcan Materials District Operations Manager DJ Leemon.

Mr. Leemon indicated Vulcan Materials willingness to work together with the Quarry Monitoring Committee on issues brought before them. He then discussed the procedures taken by Vulcan Materials relative to questions, concerns and complaints. Mr. Leemon indicated that complaints received by Vulcan Materials were not typically provided to the City. He also indicated his willingness to provide notice to drivers on the need for safe driving on Rawson Avenue or methods that may assist with decreasing complaints with a copy of this note to be given to Joel.

Planning Manager Dietl stated blasting complaints received at the City were forwarded to the quarry, but not necessarily other types of complaints (dust, etc.).

Alderman Wilhelm expressed concern that quarry complaints were following a different process than other City complaints and may cause concern and confusion with City policy to not release a complainants name to those other than staff and a method should be developed to allow the option or notice that names are being released to the quarry. It was recommended that staff revise the form to add a checkbox indicating that the complainant approves the release of their name to

the quarries. Member Buchman inquired if a map of the area surrounding the quarries could be created indicating the general vicinity of a quarry complaint for reference purposes.

It was agreed that, if possible, all complaints made directly to the quarry would be forwarded to the appropriate City staff member for inclusion in tracking of quarry complaints. Mr. Leemon stated that immediate notification to the quarry of complaints received by the City would be helpful in tracking individual complaint cases and resolving issues.

No further action was taken. None needed.

- b. Review and discussion of the quarry monitoring and related information for placement on the City website.

Member Shore moved to direct the Chairman and Planning Manager to edit the Quarry Complaint website information to make it more concise and include the Planned Development District blasting level limits. Seconded by Member Knueppel. All voted 'aye', motion carried.

General discussion to include this item on next agenda only if significant changes or issues arise. Discussed including this information on the City cable access channel, City newsletter, etc. to include all of the above and FAQ (Frequently Asked Questions) as well.

Motion by Member Buchman to add the Quarry Complaint procedure and FAQ website information to the City newsletter when editing is completed. Seconded by Alderman Schmidt. All voted 'aye', motion carried.

- c. Continued review of current quarry monitoring related activities, including quarry dust control methods.

Planning Manager Dietl indicated he is working on scheduling details for a tour of the quarries for Committee members and general public during Spring 2013.

Summary details and information regarding quarry dust and complaints received regarding quarry dust will be brought forward as it becomes available.

- d. Status report on the proposal to hire a consultant to undertake long-term monitoring of the quarry operators on behalf of the City.

Alderman Schmidt moved, and Member Shore seconded a motion to direct the Planning Manager to determine the status of the long-term monitoring contract and report back at the next scheduled meeting of the Quarry Monitoring Committee. All voted 'aye', motion carried.

VI. SCHEDULE NEXT MEETING

On general consensus it was agreed that the next scheduled meeting of the Quarry Monitoring Committee will be Thursday, December 13, 2012 at 6:30 p.m., or at the call of the Chairman.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

Member Shore moved and Member Knueppel seconded to adjourn the meeting at 8:05 p.m. All voted 'aye'; motion carried.