

## Minutes

The Local/Industrial Improvements Committee of the Roanoke Village Board met at 7:00 P.M. Wednesday, October 14, 2015 in the Roanoke Methodist Church Fellowship Hall. Committee members present were Chairman, Ken Hodel and trustees Mike Smith and Curt Leman. Also present were Mayor, Kevin Braker and Trustees Eldon Witzig and Wayne Blunier. The purpose of the meeting was to update interested community members (especially those affected by the April 2013 flood) of the status of the HUD grant application and to assess their support of the its proposed details. Wes Catoor, IDNR (Illinois Department of Natural Resources) project coordinator was present to share the proposed details of the grant application which is composed of four separate components. They are listed as follows each independent of the other. Any, all, or none of them possibly could be selected for grant approval.

1. Flood Mitigation- buyouts of 14 selected properties affected by flooding and converting area to green space, fishing pond, wetlands, walking trails, amphitheater, etc. This does not include all properties that were flooded only those with elevations below a certain determined level.
2. Partial financial support to build a community center to take the place of the American Legion building.
3. Raise Main Street and straighten the bridge now on Front Street to give access to emergency services on the south side of town.
4. Channel enhancements on the Panther Creek as it leaves town on the east side of town.

Some discussion and questions from the attendees followed with overall support to move forward with the proposed grant application. In general it appeared that support was strongest for the above in the following order with strongest support going to #1 followed by #2 and #4 with least to #3.

The meeting appeared to be beneficial and all are eagerly awaiting the outcome of the grant application to be announced in January, 2016.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:00 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Ken Hodel