

Village of Goodfield
Special Board Meeting
May 21, 2019 @ 6:30p.m.

Special Board Meeting was called to order by Village President, Jim Edwards, at 6:33p.m. Board members present: Roger Mullins. Also present were Clerk Sheri Martin and 34 residents from Grimm Road/Timberline Road. There being no quorum, no action was taken.

Agenda for the meeting was to hear complaints from residents.

President Edwards welcomed everyone and advised that the meeting has been posted and notifications sent to comply with the Open Meetings requirements. President Edwards stated he wants to be clear to everyone that the issue that has been raised primarily concerns Woodford County and they are aware of it and have taken steps to address it. The Village of Goodfield's involvement is any incidental impact that could affect our citizens as well as any Village businesses in the area. President Edwards invited a representative of the Woodford County Sheriff's Department and a representative of the Deer Creek/Goodfield Police Department to be here to explain any jurisdictional questions.

President Edwards said everyone will be given the opportunity to be heard but asked that they please state your name for the record.

Many residents voiced their concerns regarding Timberline Campground and the adjacent land that Mr. Steidinger recently purchased, which is in Woodford County. Following are some of the complaints:

- Racing dirt bikes out on Grimm Road

- Trailer running a business out of the campground

- Campground is an eyesore – debris, garbage at campground and thrown on other people's property

- Children running golf carts on road

- Can there be permanent residence at campground? School bus picks kids up at campground. If they are permanent are they paying real estate taxes?

- Were building permits required on the many decks, sun rooms?

- Noise nuisance – after 10:00pm – awhile back there was a bass competition

- Concerns of devaluation of homes in the area because of the campground

- Smoke from campfires

- Carnival at campground was set up right next to the road – dangerous for children

- Dogs barking at campground

In regards to the adjacent land in the county Lisa Jording, Woodford County Zoning Administrator, sent Mr. Steidinger a letter stating, "Through a course of recent events it has come to our attention that you may have begun expanding portions of your existing RV Park onto this parcel located at the intersection of Grimm Road and Timberline Road. Your current facility is located in the Village limits of Goodfield, however, the new parcel is in unincorporated Woodford County and therefore subject to the County Zoning regulations. This property is located in the (AG) Agriculture District and the operation of recreational facilities requires a Special Use permit.

According to one resident the day Mr. Steidinger received the letter about 8:30-9:00pm he came to his home and said, "You and I have a problem. I got a letter from Woodford County and now I can't use the land for what I want." The resident called the police. Mr. Steidinger also went to another resident's home and said if you go against me I will bull doze your fence that is on my property. The next day dirt bikes were doing a bunch of donuts by these two properties.

A resident suggested identifying actionable items and then discussing possible ways to get them done. Actionable items include:

Noise ordinance – if current Village ordinance is not enough possibly draft a new ordinance. One of the residents said they have information on sample ordinances they could give to the Village.

Building Permits on Permanent Structures - Have Village personnel go out and inspect structures to see if they are permanent.

Permanent Trailers – Checking to see if there are trailers that are camping permanently
Children Driving Golf Carts on the Road – If anyone sees a child driving a golf cart on the road please call the Police.

Garbage/Debris – Village ask owner to clean up. If he does not clean up the health department could be called.

Another resident brought up the concern that things were getting out of control at the campground and with Mr. Steidinger. He asked if the police could come up with a multi-tiered intervention plan.

The police were asked how many times they have been called to the campground. Both Woodford County and Deer Creek/Goodfield said many times. The Police urged the residents to call if there is a problem. One resident asked, "Are we supposed to call the Police every time? We want to be a good neighbor but at what point is enough enough? Someone asked if the campground owner could be held responsible for what the campers do. Mr. Steidinger needs to make sure the campers are obeying the law. Chief Potts said that may be a civil issue. Chief Potts also said they have jurisdiction at the campground and if they see anything they will arrest if needed. Another resident asked if a complaint can be filed about incidents at the campground and then a cease and desist order be given? They also asked if someone was arrested would they go to Woodford County Jail? Would a threat with bodily harm require them to go to jail? Chief Potts answered as a broad stroke, yes, but depends on the situation.

Chief Potts told residents to feel free to call the Police Department if there is a problem. If they call the Police Department they need to leave their name, address and phone number.

Residents asked for a follow up meeting with the Village. President Edwards scheduled another meeting for Tuesday, June 4, 2019 at 6:30pm.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned. Meeting adjourned at 8:05pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sheri Martin, Village Clerk