AMSTERDAM/CHURCHILL PLANNING GROUP

Minutes of 10/11/10

ATTENDEES: Warren Vaughn, Dean Sybesma, Walt Sales, Del Van Den Berg, Dave Hoekema, Brent Sinnema, Dave Douglas, Tim Van Dam

BUSINESS:

- Introductions and rumor mill

- Quorum was met: Yes

- Excused absence: Gail Weidenaar, Leroy Logterman

- Minutes approved for 092710 meeting

- Committee reports: Treasurer-no report, Dave Douglas to talk with Gail Weidenaar concerning the non profit status of APPCG.

Sidewalk-Reviewed the PR work done at the Fireman’s breakfast. Mostly good comments reported, even received some money already. One home owner said he would donate the amount for his property. Tim and Dave D. would call interested members of the community to form a sub committee to work on the sidewalk project. Discussed who would sponsor and provide maintenance of the sidewalks. Discussed having one sponsor and collecting donations to hire someone for the snow removal. Ideas for sponsor were the Fire Debt, ACCPG, the two schools, the two churches and private businesses. The county will not be the sponsor. Tim will gather info on how much snow removal cost.

Sewer/Water-No report

Other Business-Discussed having the state do a traffic/speed study on Churchill Rd. south of Churchill. Concerns were expressed about how fast drivers are going when the speed limit is 35 and 25, and about the actual letter that is sent to the DOT. This group would like to see the letter before it is submitted to the DOT.

Discussed how we could codify water distribution for fire protection thru out Churchill/Amsterdam. Talked about easements for fire protection. Talked about how much money and effort is being spent on testing the community and public wells in the area. Suggested that when new development is being reviewed the Fire Dept. should require easements at that time, instead of trying to write regs for that.

Warren gave an update on gravel zoning in the county since the court case and ruling. Basically starting over for regs. How do we move forward? Discussed how we have to do some PR work with the ACCP area on the total package of the plan and regs that go with it. Discussed meeting with gravel pit developer in the area for their input.
Decided to move meetings to the 1st and 3rd Tuesday of the month.

NEXT MEETING: October 19 2010  7pm at the bank.
MEETING ADJOURNED