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## Developer complains of impact fees

By Ed Carter

SPECIAL TO THE BEACON NEWS

SOMONAUK — A home builder complained to the Village Board this week about the village's impact fees.

Rich Smolik Sr., developer of Alexander Place on the south side of the community, said he felt that the board had made too many changes in the impact fees.

According to Smolik, his fees went from \$3,000 to \$9,000 from the start of the project. He said he was willing to meet with the board and offered \$6,000 for the remaining lots, to be paid immediately upon reaching such an agreement.

The issue will be discussed by a committee of the board, Village Board President Kevin Brockman said.

In other action at a pair of special meetings this week, Paul Gozder, of Sheridan, presented diagrams for possible new park equipment for the south side park and for the Illowa Farms Park.

Gozder's proposal would cost \$37,000 to \$38,000, and would feature a rustic look to the various pieces of equipment. The board will study the proposal.

Three proposals had been received by board member Aaron Grandgeorge for remodeling the village hall to make it handicapped-accessible. Accessible Wheel Chairs was the choice for the work at \$6,780.

Denise Fenstemaker was appointed treasurer for the village.

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