

Regular Meeting July 7, 2011

The Village Board of Trustees met at 7:00 P.M., local time, in the Village Board Room, to hold their regular monthly meeting. Officers and Trustees present were President Ackerman, Clerk Duden, and Trustees Cler, Crozier, Ehler, Hethke, and Severins. President Ackerman led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Guests included Andrew Helregel (Rantoul Press) and Jed Willard. Willard had an update on the Village website. He had made copies of some of the ordinances and put them on the website. He has changed the site to content management so the Board can update information. He also will update the appearance of the site with photos, more content, and an ordinance search. He is adding more pages so business and residential are all separate for easier searching. Discussion followed.

As each Trustee and Officer had been given printed copies of the minutes from the last meeting, Trustee Ehler made a motion to dispense with the reading of the minutes. It was seconded by Trustee Cler. All Trustees concurred in a roll call vote (5 yes, 0 no). Trustee Cler made a motion to accept the minutes as read. It was seconded by Trustee Hethke. All Trustees concurred in a roll call vote (5 yes, 0 no).

As each Trustee and Officer had been given printed copies of the bills to be considered for payment, Trustee Ehler made a motion to dispense with the reading of the bills. It was seconded by Trustee Crozier. All Trustees concurred in a roll call vote (5 yes, 0 no). Trustee Cler made a motion to pay the bills. It was seconded by Trustee Ehler. All Trustees concurred in a roll call vote (5 yes, 0 no).

As each Trustee and Officer had been given printed copies of the Treasurer's Report, Trustee Hethke made a motion to dispense with the reading of the Treasurer's report, except for the summary. It was seconded by Trustee Cler. All Trustees concurred in a roll call vote (5 yes, 0 no). The balance in Village accounts as of May 31, 2011 was \$469,633.21. Total money received for the month of June 2011 was \$77,185.61, plus \$20.94 from CD #8170 and \$38.98 from CD #15399. Total expenses for the month were 449,320.29, leaving a balance on June 30, 2011 of \$497,558.45.

The Police Report was read by Trustee Severins. In Traffic Matters there were 27 incidents, 22 warnings, and four citations. In Investigative Matters there were 30 incidents, three reports, and two arrests.

WATER AND SEWER REPORT

Jess Childress reported activity for the month of June 2011.

Total gallons of water pumped-----2,526,000

Average daily consumption (gal.)-----84,200

Childress's report further stated he raised pumps #1 and #2 on the 7th to clean debris from the impellers at the wastewater plant; dug up a leaking water service at 203 W Summit and replaced the meter, yolk, and pit; mowed at the office, water plant, corner by Spreader, and wastewater plant; raised pumps #1 and #2 on the 13th to clean debris from the impellers; dug up a leaking water service at 614 S Park, put a repair clamp over the water main, and tapped in a whole new water service; raised pump #2 on the 22nd to clean debris from the impellers; put up flags and bows on poles along Main St; read all water meters and remotes; back washed all pressure filters at the water plant; sent out a cross-connection control survey as ordered by the EPA; put in 11 more new meters and touch reads; logged all water bill receipts and made all deposits; sent out eight letters for non-payment of water and sewer bills; raised

pumps #1 and #2 on the 30th to clean debris from the impellers; and put rock in the alleys and filled a few holes with coal mix. Childress also said that the idea for the new impellers would not fit the current pumps so he would have to come up with a different plan. He got a price estimate for a 'basket' (\$9,500) to put at the plant and he could clean it out periodically to help with the debris issues. After discussion it was decided to have Childress investigate the success of the usage of the 'basket' in other municipalities, and the ease of installation. Childress also had Schnoover's run a camera under Main St to examine the catch basins in the alley by Robin's Body Shop and vicinity. The tile under Main St is good, but several along that alley are broken down. Discussion followed.

STREET AND ALLEY REPORT

Trustee Cler said he talked to Dave Atchley regarding the oil and chip work for the streets. He said the costs have gone down and they plan to have the work done whenever a larger job gets contracted locally, since we only need a small amount for touch up work this summer. He also said that some work needs to be done around the stop sign in front of Neil and Robin Bruns's house on Park St.

POWER LIGHTS AND TELEPHONE REPORT

Trustee Severins had information regarding a franchise agreement with Ameren IP. After discussion it was decided to have him investigate and make a decision at the next meeting.

RESOURCES MANAGEMENT AND PUBLIC RELATIONS REPORT

Trustee Crozier said the website is looking good. He said 'Dump Day' went well and we took in \$365 for the recyclables and \$300 for fees. Crozier said he talked to Spring Green and they said they treat drains once a month and sprayed for mosquitoes the night before the celebration. We can also call to schedule times as we request for additional spraying. In regard to the sale of the red Dodge truck, Crozier said we need to pass a resolution. The Blue Book price for the truck is \$5,900. Brian Schurter will place the information in the newspaper and Trustee Ehler will handle the online bids. Trustee Hethke suggested adding the old generator. A motion for Resolution #215 for the sale of the old Dodge Truck was made by Trustee Crozier. It was seconded by Trustee Severins. All Trustees concurred in a roll call vote (5 yes, 0 no). A motion to sell the old generator by sealed bid was made by Trustee Ehler. It was seconded by Trustee Cler. All Trustees concurred in a roll call vote (5 yes, 0 no). Crozier said after discussion that only department heads should be listed with phone numbers on the Village website, not all of the part time officers, since that could be a safety issue. There was discussion regarding forwarding phone calls for the police and for Childress to their individual cell phones for after hour reporting.

FACILITIES CONSTRUCTION AND MAINTENANCE REPORT

Trustee Hethke said John Stalter will begin sidewalk construction and repairs next week.

OLD BUSINESS

President Ackerman had a copy of an employee manual from the Gifford Fire Department as presented by Trustee Crozier. Discussion followed. Trustee Ehler made a motion to accept the employee manual that had been presented at an earlier meeting, to be reviewed within three months as a Board to respond to any changes. It was seconded by Trustee Crozier. All Trustees concurred in a roll call vote (5 yes, 0 no).

Jess Childress asked if anyone had a Christmas tree in mind for this year. He said Angie Stalter said the tree in her front yard needs to come down. After discussion it was decided to contact Travis Uden since he owns the property.

NEW BUSINESS

President Ackerman presented Ordinance #303 regarding prevailing wages. Trustee Ehler made a motion to accept Ordinance #303 for prevailing wages. It was seconded by Trustee Cler. All Trustees concurred in a roll call vote (5 yes, 0 no).

President Ackerman had a letter from someone who had served in the military who was requesting a nice flag and pole with a light at the Village Hall. After discussion it was decided to get flags, poles, and lights for both the Village Hall and for the park. Trustee Severins will investigate the purchases.

President Ackerman had a letter from the Champaign County Public Health regarding the food stand at the park being certified. After discussion it was decided that since they only serve prepackaged good, they shouldn't need certification for a permit.

Treasurer Duitsman said the Village financial records have been sent to Michael Graham to be audited and hope to get all records back by December.

Trustee Severins moved the meeting be adjourned. It was seconded by Trustee Cler. All Trustees concurred in a voice vote. The meeting was properly adjourned at 8:32 P.M.

Village Clerk

Approved by me this 4th day of August 2011.

President of the Board