

Regular Meeting July 1, 2010

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 Clerk Duden and Trustees Ehler, Hethke, Jones, Parkerson, and Severins. As President Bouse was not in attendance, Trustee Parkerson acted as Mayor pro-tem and led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Guests included Robert Ward from the Rantoul Press, Mary Sutherlin, Gary Jones, Carrie Mulvaney, and Tony Cler. Jones asked if the Board had thought to revise the ordinance regarding driving golf carts in the Village. Trustee Jones said she would talk to the Mayor of Ludlow to find out how their ordinance reads. Chief Weary said he would get more information before the next meeting. After discussion, the Board decided to give consideration to an ordinance allowing golf carts being driven in the Village, following state guidelines.

Carrie Mulvaney had questions regarding the Village's website, but since Trustee Gehrt was not in attendance, the questions remained unanswered. Trustee Parkerson said he would contact Trustee Gehrt to find out more information about the website. Mulvaney also asked if it would be possible to place a stop sign at the corner of West Street and Plumb Street or North Street, to slow traffic down on West Street. After discussion, Chief Weary said he would investigate where the best place would be to install stop signs to be most effective in slowing traffic down on West Street. Trustee Parkerson said we would need to have our attorney draft an ordinance before we could install any signs.

Mary Sutherlin asked about maintenance on Plumb Street at the edge of her driveway. She said there is a hole in the street from large trucks stopping at the stop sign at the corner of Plumb and Main, in front of her house. Childress said he would fill the hole since it is the responsibility of the Village to maintain that area. He also said when the asphalt is laid at the North Pointe subdivision, he would have them lay some asphalt in the area as well.

As each Trustee and Officer had been given printed copies of the minutes from the last meeting, Trustee Severins made a motion to dispense with the reading of the minutes. It was seconded by Trustee Hethke. All Trustees concurred in a roll call vote (5 yes, 0 no). Trustee Severins made a motion to accept the minutes as read. 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 bills to be considered for payment, Trustee Ehler made a motion to dispense with the reading of the bills. It was seconded by Trustee Severins. All Trustees concurred in a roll call vote (5 yes, 0 no). Trustee Jones had a check for \$1,498.75 from Mack's recycling for the collection from dump day. She said that after

paying for the dumpsters that day, we made \$300. Trustee Ehler made a motion to pay the bills. 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 Treasurer's Report, Trustee Jones made a motion to dispense with the reading of the Treasurer's Report, except for the summary. It was seconded by Trustee Ehler. All Trustees concurred in a roll call vote (5 yes, 0 no). The balance in Village accounts as of May 31, 2010 was \$461,582.03. Total money received for the month of June 2010 was \$82,481.01, plus \$41.69 from CD#8170 and \$68.40 from CD#15399. Total expenses for the month were \$39,682.29, leaving a balance on June 30, 2010 of \$504,490.84.

The Police Report was read by Chief Weary. In Investigative Matters, there were 50 incidents, four reports, and no arrests. In Traffic Matters, there were 27 incidents, 21 verbals, and two citations. Weary also said they had been kept rather busy during the celebration, but had no real problems.

WATER AND SEWER REPORT

Trustee Jones reported activity for the month of June 2010.

Total gallons of water pumped-----2,477,000

Average daily consumption-----82,567

Jess Childress's report further stated he put in new field tile on West Street between Rex Frye's and Debbie Farmer's; had to dig up and replace broken water service at the Longbranch; helped run a new water and sewer service to the new grain elevator office; put up several new street signs; received a new sewage pump and put it in on the 18th at the Plumb Street lift station' got called out at 1:30 A.M. on the 16th for a pump outage at the wastewater treatment plant; raised #2 pump and removed debris wrapped around the impeller; mowed wastewater plant, maintenance building, lot by the Spreader, and at the office; pulled and sprayed weeds around lagoons at the wastewater plant; replaced four broken remotes and had to replace three broken water meter heads; read all water meters and remotes; logged all water bill receipts and made all deposits; sent out 12 letters for non-payment of water and sewer bills; discontinued one water service for non-payment.

STREETS AND ALLEYS REPORT

Trustee Parkerson had a bid from Brad Polson for asphalt work on N. West Street. A bid is enclosed with the minutes. There are three different areas that need repairs, and each job is less than \$20,000, so it will not need to be put out for bids. Trustee Ehler made a motion to accept the bid from Brad Polson for \$18,000 to do the first section of N. West Street. It was seconded by Trustee Jones. All Trustees concurred in a roll call vote (5 yes, 0 no). Trustee Parkerson said he would also ask Polson to repair the hole on Plumb Street by Mary Sutherlin's residence. Childress said he had about 20 tons of cold patch to use for repairs. Trustee Parkerson said he

spoke to Bryan Schluter about crack filling, but hasn't heard back from him. Childress said Carl Withers asked if the Village could do anything about water coming across his driveway from the east. After discussion, it was decided to have Childress put some cold patch across the road to help with the issue.

SANITARY AND STORM REPORT

Trustee Ehler said the tile project is moving slowly with all of the rain last month, but should get started next week. The job shouldn't take more than a few days. After repairing the tile by the Frye residence, it was discovered the tile going to the Longbranch isn't working. Childress will check into that issue. Trustee Ehler also said the swale between Herb Kirkley's and the Enray subdivision isn't flowing and water is backed up. Childress said it had been mowed and should now flow better. Ehler also said the Village may need to decide who pays for what in regards to the Frye drainage issue, since the tile was broken under the Farmer house.

POWER LIGHTS AND TELEPHONE REPORT

Trustee Severins reported a light out. Also wanted to know if a light could be installed at the corner of Church and Park. There is a possibility of using a pole from 505 N West, where residents don't want a light, and place that pole on the corner of Church and Park.

FACILITIES CONSTRUCTION AND MAINTENANCE REPORT

Trustee Hethke is waiting on John Stalter to get started on the sidewalks. We had too much rain last month to get started before now.

OLD BUSINESS

Trustee Parkerson asked Trustee Jones how the clean up day went and if she had any suggestions for the next time. She said it should only run from 8-12 and not 8-2, because once the dumpsters fill up, we are done, and they filled up fast. She also suggested holding it every other year.

Trustee Jones said the celebration was very successful. The sales behind the bank were great and the fireworks were also. She offered a special thanks to Fisher for the use of their police vehicle.

Trustee Jones asked how the employee manual was progressing. It was suggested a committee meet and work on that. Trustees Jones, Ehler, and Severins will meet and bring a proposal to the Board.

NEW BUSINESS

Mayor pro-tem Parkerson asked for a motion to accept Ordinance #297 for prevailing wages.

Trustee Severins made a motion to accept Ordinance #297 for prevailing wages. It was seconded by Trustee Hethke. All Trustees concurred in a roll call vote (5 yes, 0 no). Parkerson then presented Ordinance #298 for the appropriations for fiscal year 2010-2011. Trustee Ehler made a motion to accept Ordinance \$298 for the appropriations for fiscal year 2010-2011. It was seconded by Trustee Jones. All Trustee concurred in a roll call vote (5 yes, 0 no).

Childress asked if there was a Visa card or debit card he and Weary could use when making purchased for the Village. In the past they have had to use their personal cards and then get reimbursed later. After discussion, Treasurer Duitsman said he would investigate with the bank, but it would have to be something that the auditors would approve.

Mayor pro-tem Parkerson had a letter from Mediacom notifying of a rate increase.

Trustee Ehler moved the meeting be adjourned. It was seconded by Trustee Severins. All Trustees concurred in a voice vote. The meeting was properly adjourned at 8:12 P.M.

Approved by me this 5th day of August 2010.

Village Clerk

President of the Board