

Regular Meeting December 1, 2011

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

Guests included Carrie Mulvaney, Nicole Keeney (Rantoul Press), and Tim Dillman. Mulvaney wanted to apologize for her dog getting loose.

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 Crozier. All Trustees concurred in a roll call vote (5 yes, 0 no). Trustee Ehler made a motion to accept the minutes as read. It was seconded by Trustee Jones. 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 Hethke 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 Ehler made a motion to pay the bills. It was seconded by Trustee Severins. 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 Severins. All Trustees concurred in a roll call vote (5 yes, 0 no). The balance in Village accounts as of October 31, 2011 was \$567,934.09. Total money received for the month of November 2011 was \$54,255.26, plus \$17.47 interest from CD #8170 and \$39.13 interest from CD #15399. Total expenses for the month were \$86,695.32, leaving a balance on November 30, 2011 of \$535,550.63.

The Police Report was read by Chief Weary. In Traffic Matters, there were 27 incidents, 19 warnings, and eight citations. In Investigative Matters, there were 11 incidents and two reports. There was discussion regarding golf carts on Village roads. It was decided to post something on the Village website informing residents that golf carts aren't allowed on Village roads. Trustee Crozier will investigate any ordinances that other villages have allowing golf carts on their roads.

WATER AND SEWER REPORT

Trustee Jones reported activity for the month of November 2011.

Total gallons of water pumped-----2,644,000

Average daily consumption-----88,133

Jess Childress's report further stated he had to raise pumps and clean debris from around the impellers at the wastewater plant on the 4th, 11th, and 18th; got called out on the 24th for pump blockage in pump #2 at the wastewater plant and also cleaned out pump #1; repaired three tile behind lagoon #1 at the wastewater treatment plant; had to empty the water tower for three days while it was cleaned and painted; installed a new cutting edge on the tractor, changed the oil and fuel filter, and greased it for winter; changed the oil in the Ford pick up and put on the snow plow and salt spreader; installed six new touch read remotes and two new meters; read all water meters and remotes; back washed all pressure filters at the water plant; took ten sludge readings from lagoon #1 to determine the depth of the sludge; replaced about 200 bulbs on the Christmas lights and helped Marshall Huls put them up; cut down the Christmas tree and put the lights on it for the downtown area; logged all water bill receipts

and made all deposits; sent out 14 letters for non-payment of water and sewer bills. Childress said he talked to Dave Atchley regarding the sludge and was told the readings looked good and shouldn't need to be cleaned out.

SANITARY AND STORM REPORT

Trustee Ehler said the rock and pipe needed for next year's drainage project are paid for and being stored at Rademacher's.

POWER LIGHTS AND TELEPHONE REPORT

Trustee Severins reported a light out. He said the flag and poles are ordered and paid for, and he hopes to have them installed before the ground freezes.

RESOURCES MANAGEMENT AND PUBLIC RELATIONS REPORT

Trustee Crozier said he had been having technical difficulties getting the minutes placed on the website, but had a call in to Jed Willard for help. He said Frontier wouldn't negotiate with us on the phone lines, so he had the one line shut off. The Christmas light decorating contest judging will be the week of December 19th.

OLD BUSINESS

Trustee Ehler said he talked to Michael Schluter about the school crossing guard, and the school Board decided it was the Village's responsibility to pay for the guard. After discussion it was decided to continue to pay for the guard until the next budget year and offer it as a volunteer position.

Jess Childress said they will come do the test holes on December 9th.

NEW BUSINESS

President Ackerman asked if any of the Village boundaries had changed since the last census. Discussion followed. He had a form that needed to be completed, signed, and returned to the Census Bureau before February 2012.

Trustee Crozier moved the meeting be adjourned. It was seconded by Trustee Ehler. All Trustees concurred in a voice vote. The meeting was properly adjourned at 7:40 P.M.

Village Clerk

Approved by me this 5th day of January 2012.

President of the Board