

Regular Meeting March 1, 2012

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, Jones, and Severins. President Ackerman led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Guests included Carrie Mulvaney and Nicole Keeney (Rantoul Press).

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 Ehler. All Trustees concurred in a roll call vote (6 yes, 0 no). Trustee Hethke made a motion to accept the minutes as read. It was seconded by Trustee Cler. All Trustees concurred in a roll call vote (6 yes, 0 no).

As each Trustee and Officer had been given printed copies of the bills to be considered for payment, Trustee Severins 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 (6 yes, 0 no). Trustee Crozier made a motion to pay the bills. It was seconded by Trustee Cler. All Trustees concurred in a roll call vote (6 yes, 0 no).

As each Trustee and Officer had been given printed copies of the Treasurer's Report, Trustee Severins 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 (6 yes, 0 no). The balance in Village accounts as of January 31, 2012 was \$526,124.54. Total money received for the month of February 2012 was \$43,275.86, plus \$13.98 interest from CD #8170 and \$21.78 interest from CD #15399. Total expenses for the month were \$44,010.57, leaving a balance on February 29, 2012 of \$525,425.59.

The Police Report was read by Chief Weary. In Investigative Matters, there were 18 incidents, five reports, and one arrest. In Traffic Matters, there were 23 incidents, 13 warnings, and eight citations. There was discussion regarding the house on the cul-de-sac at the end of New Street that has been vacant for a few years, and now has a basement full of water. Weary said he would try to contact the mortgage company that owns it.

WATER AND SEWER REPORT

Trustee Jones reported activity for the month of February 2012.

Total gallons of water pumped-----1,611,000

Average daily consumption (gallons)-----55,600

Jess Childress's report further stated that he jetted the tile on South Road for the township for a broken tile in front of Steve Bruns's property; replaced four broken meters with new meters and new touch reads; took inorganic samples for the EPA which are taken every three years; filled the salt spreader and spread salt several times; took 40 year old meters apart to ready for scrap; back washed all pressure filters at the water plant; read all water meters and remotes; logged all water bill receipts and made all deposits; sent out 14 letters for non-payment of water and sewer bills. President Ackerman read a letter from the Illinois Association of Water Pollution Control Operators telling of an awards ceremony to be held

on April 18th in Springfield. Childress has been nominated for this award and the winners will be announced at that time. Discussion followed.

STREETS AND ALLEY REPORT

Trustee Cler said he had filed paperwork with IDOT for the jurisdiction of transfer for Main Street. He also is getting the paperwork prepared for the oil and chip work scheduled for this summer. He would like to get a plan for asphalt work in the North Pointe subdivision, which will probably need to be completely reworked in the next few years. Discussion followed.

SANITARY AND STORM REPORT

Trustee Ehler said he has not heard back from any members from the drainage district to discuss cost sharing. Kalin Kocher hopes to get started on the drainage plan later in the spring. There was discussion regarding Park Street drainage issues.

POWER LIGHTS AND TELEPHONE REPORT

Trustee Severins had a light out on South New Street and one in Eagle Prairie subdivision to report.

RESOURCES MANAGEMENT AND PUBLIC RELATIONS REPORT

Trustee Crozier said a new law was passed January 1, 2012 requiring all elected officials to have Open Meetings training online and file a certificate with the Village Clerk. The website is www.foia.ilattorneygeneral.net.

FACILITIES CONSTRUCTION AND MAINTENANCE REPORT

Trustee Hethke had requested a quote for playground equipment, lights, fencing, etc, for the park, and gave the request to Dave Atchley in preparation of the grant due in May. Hethke also proceeded with signs for local military personnel to place on light poles along Main Street. They will be 2'x18" signs at a cost of approximately \$90 each. He is trying to get names of those who are currently serving in the military.

OLD BUSINESS

President Ackerman had a meeting set up with the bank for March 29 to get the water and sewer bills available for customers to pay electronically.

President Ackerman requested a date for a meeting for employee evaluations before the budget meeting in April. It was decided that Trustees Ehler and Hethke and President Ackerman will meet with Jess Childress and Sean Weary beginning at 6:00 on March 5th.

The first Thursday of the month in April is Holy/Maundy Thursday, so we will reschedule our regular monthly meeting for Wednesday April 4th at 7:00 P.M.

NEW BUSINESS

Trustee Crozier suggested we have a plan set up for replacement of the police vehicle to present in the budget. Discussion followed.

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 7:45 P.M.

Village Clerk

Approved by me this 4th day of April 2012.

President of the Board