

Regular Meeting September 6, 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 were Nancy Cogil, Minnie Burk, Nicole Keeney (Rantoul Press), Randy Duden, and Dave Atchley (MSA).

As each Trustee and Officer had been given printed copies of the minutes from the last meeting, Trustee Cler 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 (6 yes, 0 no). Trustee Jones made a motion to accept the minutes as read. It was seconded by Trustee Ehler. 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 Cler made a motion to dispense with the reading of the bills. It was seconded by Trustee Ehler. 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 July 31, 2012 was \$607,124.15. Total money received for the month of August 2012 was \$72,351.46, plus 10.49 interest from CD #8170 and \$21.83 interest from CD #15399. Total expenses for the month were \$56,831.55, leaving a balance on August 31, 2012 of \$622,676.38.

The Police Report was read by Chief Weary. In Traffic Matters, there were 21 incidents, 18 warnings, and three citations. In Investigative Matters, there were 21 incidents and 10 reports. Weary added that the Methodist Church was offering an eight week course on self defense beginning September 2nd from 2-4. There is no cost, but they are asking for donations.

WATER AND SEWER REPORT

Trustee Jones reported activity for the month of August 2012.

Total gallons of water pumped-----2,275,000

Average daily consumption (Gal.)-----73,000

Jess Childress's report further stated that he power washed the lift station at the wastewater plant; sprayed and pulled weeds in the sand filters and around both lagoons at the wastewater plant; dug up water service on South Main Street in front of Jean Hogan's residence and replaced it with a new pit, yolk, and touch read meter; helped Kalen Kocher put in a new 10" culvert at 614 S. Park Street; dug up

a water service on Kendall Drive and rebuilt the old pit and replaced it with a touch read meter; mowed in town and at the wastewater plant; read all water meters and remotes; logged all water bill receipts and made all deposits; had Brad Polson come and repair five different spots in town with asphalt; put in 36 new touch read remotes and meters; flushed and oiled all the fire hydrants in town.

STREETS AND ALLEY REPORT

Trustee Cler said the roads have been oil and chipped and some repairs have been made on New Street, and it all looks really good.

SANITARY AND STORM REPORT

Trustee Ehler said he drove around town after the recent rains and the new tile and drainage work seems to be working great. He said Bob Hesterberg had a drainage issue, but Childress will check into that. The Pannbacker residence looks good after the drainage work completed there.

POWER LIGHTS AND TELEPHONE REPORT

Trustee Severins said he talked to Dave Dowling (Ameren) regarding tree trimming at the park. He was told he will talk to Mike Krumweide to determine who the responsible party would be for the work.

RESOURCES MANAGEMENT AND PUBLIC RELATIONS REPORT

Trustee Crozier said he ordered the shirts for Village employees. In regard to the sirens, he is waiting to hear back from Dave Bletscher, who will renew their FCC license and then order the radios.

FACILITIES CONSTRUCTION AND MAINTENANCE REPORT

Trustee Hethke said the sidewalk project is in progress. In regard to the park grant, we are still in the running, but will need a capital plan for the park and have requested more public input. He suggested the Board get together and plan a long range plan for the Village, getting input from other departments in town, such as the fire department, school, chamber, etc.

OLD BUSINESS

Chief Weary said he is having issues with the squad car lights. They will inadvertently shut off or not flash. He needed to get them repaired or purchase a new light bar. Discussion followed. He said the lights need to work properly or it could become a liability issue. He also said his Sony disk camera melted over the summer and he needs a new camera since he has been using his personal camera from home. There was discussion regarding petty cash versus a Visa card for small purchases made by Weary or Childress. Trustee Cler made a motion to get a debit card tied to the Village account for them to use. It was seconded by Trustee Severins. All Trustees concurred in a roll call vote (6 yes, 0 no). Weary also asked about the issue with the property with the pool on West Summit. President Ackerman said he went to the resident and she had cleaned the pool up and is going to install a cover for it and get it in compliance with Village Ordinances.

Treasurer Duitsman said the Mediacom franchise agreement will be ready by the next regular meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

President Ackerman presented Ordinance #310 for the Tax Levy for F/Y 2012-2013 in the amount of \$66,724, which did not reflect any increase from last year. Trustee Ehler made a motion to accept Ordinance #310 for the Tax Levy in the amount of \$66,724. It was seconded by Trustee Crozier. All Trustees concurred in a roll call vote (6 yes, 0 no).

President Ackerman had received a letter from IDOT with a check for the Motor Fuel Tax in the amount of \$3539.

President Ackerman said a resident of Florida Court was requesting a tree be replaced in what used to be a circle drive. The tree had been removed several years ago and the center grassy area had been replaced with oil and chip, due to a drainage issue, which has since been repaired. Discussion followed. Minnie Burk offered to purchase the tree. Trustee Cler said he would investigate the depth of the oil and chip area to determine how to continue.

Trustee Ehler asked about the zoning of the lots on North Main and Park Streets that are currently owned by Mark Garrelt and Ken Warner. After discussion it was decided to publish a request in the newspaper to change that status from residential to commercial.

President Ackerman presented a letter from the Champaign County Regional Planning Commission with their meeting times available.

Childress said he talked to truck driver Harry Martin, who told him they would charge \$75 an hour to haul old concrete from the sidewalk repairs. Discussion followed. Trustee Ehler said it can be hauled to Illini FS at Leverette for free. Childress said he could haul that in one of the Village trucks. Ehler suggested we have the next sidewalk bid include the disposal of the old cement.

Trustee Severins asked if there were any problems with local residents running a business from their homes. Discussion followed. It was decided to talk to the Zoning Officer.

Trustee Ehler moved the meeting be adjourned. It was seconded by Trustee Cler. All Trustees concurred in a voice vote. The meeting was properly adjourned at 7:56 P.M., local time.

Village Clerk

Approved by me this 4th day of October 2012.

President of the Board