

Regular Meeting June 6, 2013

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 Baxter, Cler, Ehler, Severins, and Youmans. President Ackerman led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance. Travis Youmans was sworn in as a new Trustee by Clerk Duden, having been selected by President Ackerman to fill in for the remaining two years for Brodie Crozier, who moved out of the Village.

Guests were Ryan Latvaitis (Rantoul Press), Greg Crow and Dave Atchley (MSA).

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 Severins. 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 Youmans. 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 Baxter made a motion to dispense with the reading of the bills. It was seconded by Trustee Cler. 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 Youmans. 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 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 (5 yes, 0 no). The balance in Village accounts as of April 30, 2013 was \$554,336.12. Total money received for the month of May was \$66,225.35, plus \$10.17 interest from CD #8170 and \$14.84 interest from CD #15399. Total expenses for the month were \$37,096.03, leaving a balance on May 31, 2013 of \$583,490.45.

The Police Report was read by Trustee Ehler. In Traffic Matters, there were 18 incidents, 11 warnings, and five citations. In Investigative Matters, there were 18 incidents.

WATER AND SEWER REPORT

Jess Childress reported activity for the month of May 2013.

Total gallons of water pumped-----2,778,000

Average daily consumption (Gal.)-----90,000

Childress's report further stated he had to dig up a water service on Kendall Drive and replace a broken water meter yolk and water meter pit; mowed, pulled and cut weeds in town and at the wastewater plant; located a tile in Robin's car lot and removed blockage from the tile; had the generators serviced in town at the water plant and at the wastewater plant by Onan Cross Pointe from Bloomington; had Marshall Huls install a new 400 AMP electrical service at the wastewater treatment plant, replacing a 200 AMP service; we received our NPDES permit for the wastewater treatment plant for the next five years, requiring one new test we have to take and two we have to monitor; took all samples of

water and wastewater and sent to the EPA; places new batteries and fuses in the dialer at the water plant; back washed all pressure filters at the water treatment plant; dug a waterway by the lift station in town on Plumb Street and lined it with two and three inch rock; have been in contact with well drillers, the EPA, and the engineers on the problems we have had on well #5; read all water meters and remotes; logged all water bill receipts and made all deposits; sent out 13 letters for non-payment of water and sewer bills; discontinued one water and sewer service due to non-payment.

STREET AND ALLEY REPORT

Trustee Cler checked out the street in front of Justin Fullenkamp's on North Pointe Drive where a section of the concrete needs to be repaired. After discussion, Childress said he'd investigate.

SANITARY AND STORM REPORT

Trustee Ehler said there didn't seem to be any big issues with the last big rain, so they drainage projects appear to be helping. Trustee Baxter said a neighbor of his had complained and said he'd attend one of our meetings if he got any water in his shed.

RESOURCES MANAGEMENT AND PUBLIC RELATIONS REPORT

Trustee Youmans was informed of his responsibilities as Trustee. He will have Jed Willard teach him how to update the Village website.

FACILITIES CONSTRUCTION AND MAINTENANCE REPORT

Trustee Baxter said he planned to meet with Larry Hethke to discuss sidewalks, and he'll meet with Neil Baker regarding park equipment.

OLD BUSINESS

President Ackerman said the sewer plant has been having trouble with worn out parts. MSA will run project and professional services for repairs at a cost of \$14,350 for their services. Trustee Youmans made a motion to accept the Professional Services Agreement with MSA for a fee of \$14,350. It was seconded by Trustee Cler. All Trustees concurred in a roll call vote (5 yes, 0 no).

President Ackerman said one of the wells will need to be replaced due to a pinhole in the casing. The well has been removed from service until repairs are completed. We have a professional services agreement from MSA for an estimate from \$3,500-\$6,000 depending upon the outcome of the drill tests. Trustee Cler made a motion to accept the Professional Services Agreement with MSA for a fee of \$3,500-\$6,000. It was seconded by Trustee Severins. All Trustees concurred in a roll call vote (5 yes, 0 no). There was discussion regarding the emergency status that would allow the Village to not put the job out for bids to get the repairs completed as soon as possible.

President Ackerman said the Village has been awarded the OSLAD grant for the park equipment in the amount of \$40,700. He and Larry Hethke met with the Governor in Decatur. He said there is certain documentation that is required by the State that would require us to enlist the services of MSA. The total cost of the equipment is \$81,564. He

thought the grant money would be available in January or February 2014. We will have to put the job out for bids and we cannot be brand specific. Discussion followed. Trustee Cler made a motion to have MSA provide the professional services for the park project. It was seconded by Trustee Ehler. All Trustees concurred in a roll call vote (5 yes, 0 no). Trustee Ehler suggested a boulder from Border Magic placed in the new playground in honor of Larry Hethke for his years of service to the Village as a Trustee and for all his hard work in getting this grant for the park.

Greg Crow from MSA presented the Board with handouts depicting a plan for the park. He said the next round of OSLAD grant money would need to have the applications in by July 1st. He said we would have to pass a resolution showing the Village could appropriate the full costs of the project until the grant money is received. Discussion followed regarding what park improvements the Village would like to pursue. It was decided to get estimates for a basketball court, fencing around the horseshoe pits, conduit for electricity for the batting cage and the scoreboard, and future lights. It was decided to hold a special meeting on June 20 at 7:00 P.M. to present the estimates and make a final decision in order to meet the deadline for the OSLAD grant.

President Ackerman said the Garden Club will place concrete flower pots along Main Street in the business district, with the plan to fill them with plants and maintain them.

President Ackerman said the squad car is getting to the point where it is costing us more each year to maintain it, having spent \$7,222.60 for repairs last year. He said Gibson City is interested in purchasing the old squad car, which has 115,000 miles on it. He presented bids for a new Tahoe for \$31,167 and a car for \$28,513. The equipment costs would be about \$6,000 for lights, sirens, etc. Trustee Youmans made a motion to purchase a new Tahoe SUV with LED light bar inside with the equipment for an estimated cost of \$37,000. It was seconded by Trustee Baxter. In a roll call vote there were four yes votes and one no vote with Trustee Cler dissenting.

NEW BUSINESS

Treasurer Duitsman said the budget would have to be amended after last month's approval, as we will have to adjust after winning the park grant money and to transfer for the new well. This all needs to be approved before the appropriations ordinance can be completed and approved. Trustee Cler made a motion to adjust the budget to allow for the park grant and to transfer for the new well. It was seconded by Trustee Youmans. All Trustees concurred in a roll call vote (5 yes, 0 no).

Trustee Baxter moved the meeting be adjourned. It was seconded by Trustee Severins. All Trustees concurred in a voice vote. The meeting was properly adjourned at 8:21 P.M.

Approved by me this 11th day of July 2013.

Village Clerk

President of the Board

