

Regular Meeting March 2, 2017

The Village Board of Trustees met at 7:00 p.m. in the Gifford Village Building, to hold their regular monthly meeting. Officers and Trustees present were President Ackerman, Clerk Baker, Treasurer Christie Huls and Trustees Carpenter, Jones, McFadden, and Pannbacker. Water/Maintenance Childress, Police Chief Weary and Zoning Marshall Huls were all present.

Pledge of Allegiance and roll call.

Guests were Dave Atchley (MSA), Philip Kisubiks (Rantoul Press), Mary Sutherlin, Mel Zech, Cindy Duden and Devin Hammond.

Marshall Huls said he had two permits for March, one for a house and one for a storage shed.

Dave Atchley, MSA said he really had nothing for the meeting and he has not heard anything from IDOT.

Mary Sutherlin and Mel Zech were present to talk about a liquor license for Lenny's Ice Cream Shop. They plan on a start date of May 1, 2017 for opening. The liquor license will be written out for a start date of 4/1/2017.

Each Trustee and Officer had been furnished minutes of the last regular meeting of March 2, 2017. Trustee Pannbacker made a motion to dispense with the reading of the minutes. It was seconded by Trustee Jones. All trustees concurred in a roll call vote (4 yes, 0 no). Trustee Jones made a motion to accept the minutes as read. It was seconded by Trustee Carpenter. All trustees concurred in a roll call vote (4 yes, 0 no).

Each Trustee and Officer had been furnished printed copies of the bills to be considered for payment, Trustee Pannbacker made a motion to dispense with the reading of the bills. It was seconded by Trustee Carpenter. All Trustees concurred in a roll call vote (4 yes, 0 no). Trustee Jones made a motion to pay the bills. It was seconded by Trustee Pannbacker. All Trustees concurred in a roll call vote (4 yes, 0 no).

Each Trustee and Officer had been furnished printed copies of the Treasurer's Report, Trustee Carpenter made a motion to dispense with the reading of the Treasurer's Report, except for the summary. It was seconded by Trustee Pannbacker. All Trustees concurred in a roll call vote (4 yes, 0 no). The starting balance in Village accounts as of February, 2017 was \$758,977.35. Total money received for the month of February, 2017 was \$53,497.78, plus \$8.75 interest from CD#15399 and \$10.57 interest from CD#8170. Total expenses for the month were \$40,417.53, leaving a balance on February 28, 2017 of \$772,076.92. The balance in the Disaster Recovery Fund as of February 1, 2017 was \$161,437.64; money received \$7,729.00 and paid out \$73.94 leaving a balance on February 28, 2017 of \$169,092.70. The balance in the IDOT Construction Fund as of February 1, 2017 was \$30,372.17; money received \$73.94 and paid out \$7,729.00 leaving a balance on February 28, 2017 of \$22,717.11.

POLICE REPORT

Chief Weary reported in investigative matters there were 16 incidents, 5 reports and 1 arrest. In traffic matters there were 26 incidents, 20 warnings, 2 citations and 0 arrests.

Sean Weary also reported that he is trying to contact the actual owner of the vacant house on Park St. It needs to be cleaned up after the last renters moved out.

WATER AND SEWER REPORT

Activity for the month of February, 2017. Total gallons of water pumped were 1,824,000 gallons. The average daily consumption of water for the month was 65,000 gallons.

Childress reported he had to wash down and clean all piping and filters in the pump house at the water plant, went to a training in Danville on chlorination and alternative disinfection at Aqua, IL. He cleaned the maintenance building and power washed the floors, went to Illinois Rural Water Associations Annual Technical Conference in Effingham and won runner up for Water Operator of the Year 2016. Plowed snow, had to change out two broken meters and two touch reads. Repaired small sink hole by catch basin in along Park St. by the Church, backwashed all pressure filters at pump house, logged all water bill receipts and made all deposits. Read all water meters and remotes, sent out 13 letters for non-payment of water and sewer bills and had to discontinue 1 service for non-payment.

Jess Childress reported that the ditches will get cleaned out this summer.

STREET AND ALLEY REPORT

Trustee Pannbacker – Trustee Pannbacker reported about oiling and chipping roads, Trustee Ehler has the map.

SANITARY AND STORM REPORT

Trustee Ehler – No Report

POWER LIGHTS AND TELEPHONE REPORT

Trustee Severins – No Report

RESOURCES MANAGEMENT AND PUBLIC RELATIONS REPORT

Trustee Carpenter asked about gaming fees. The towns’ fees are \$5 per gaming machine, that includes pool tables and juke boxes.

FACILITIES CONSTRUCTION AND MAINTENANCE REPORT

Trustee McFadden reported he bought the material from Teppers for the lights out front.

OLD BUSINESS

Trustee Severins received prices for garbage pick-up for the village buildings. Central Illinois Disposal was the lowest.

Trustee Pannbacker made the motion to change vendors and use Central Illinois Disposal for the village garbage pick-up. It was seconded by Trustee Jones. All Trustees concurred in a roll call vote (4 yes, 0 no).

Trustee Jones had the revised ordinance #258-B redone, the change in the ordinance was the per day charge.

Trustee Jones made the motion to accept ordinance 402, Establishing Ordinance Violations For Certain Petty Offenses And Providing For Voluntary Settlement Of Ordinance Violation Fines. It was seconded by Trustee Carpenter. Trustees voted (3 yes, 1 no), motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS - None

Trustee Pannbacker moved the meeting be adjourned. It was seconded by Trustee Carpenter. All Trustees concurred in a voice vote. The meeting was adjourned at 7:36 p.m.

Approved this 6th day of April, 2017

