

## Regular Meeting August 6, 2015

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, and Trustees Carpenter, Jones, Pannbacker and Severins. Police Chief Weary, Water/Maintenance Childress and Treasurer Tracy Childress also present.

Police Chief Weary absent.

Resignations from Trustee Cler and Trustee Baxter accepted by Mayor Ackerman.

All Trustees with a voice vote of yes accepted the appointment of Dustin Ehler as Trustee to complete the term of Trustee Cler and Rich McFadden as Trustee to complete the term of Trustee Baxter. Trustee Ehler and Trustee McFadden in attendance.

Pledge of Allegiance and roll call.

Guests were Philip Kisubiks (Rantoul Press), Dave Atchley (MSA), Jo Pisula (Donahue's), Eric Rademacher, Zoning, Frank Rademacher, Dave Albers, Steve Wright, Tom and Devita Reitz, Herb Zentera, Lori Cooper and Jessie Starkey.

Jo Pisula from Donahue was present to talk further/more about the nitrates. He said we had 4 years from the date of permit to be in compliance. He said we could do one of two things, move forward or protest and do nothing. No action taken at this time.

Dave Albers was present to make the board aware of a street problem; he said that the asphalt was eroding on Plumb and West St. Jess Childress was aware of the problem.

Lori Cooper was present to ask about the minutes being put on the website. Minutes had been sent to Jeb Willard and should be on soon.

Jessie Starkey was Present to report about the Farmers Market that takes place every Thursday from 4-7 p.m. on Summit St. She thanked the board for letting her shut the road down for the few hours weekly to have this take place. She has had approximately 10 vendors each time. It will run from July1, 2015 to October 29th, 2015. Lenny's has been keeping their salad bar open on this evening because of the extra flow of people in town.

Tom and Devita Reitz were present to ask about hooking a drain into catch basin on Park St. Board was okay with them doing this.

Steve Wright was present to talk about the water flow on Plumb St., specifically his property and that the catch basin was not work. He was asked if he wanted the catch basin removed and he does not want his yard dug up again.

Eric Rademacher was present to ask for a variance for Herb Zentera, North Park St. The zoning board met and had no objections to the addition to the existing garage on the property.

Trustee Ehler made the motion to accept the addition on existing garage on the property of Herb Zentera, North Park St. It was seconded by Trustee Jones. All Trustees concurred in a roll call vote (6 yes, 0 no).

Eric Rademacher also told the board that he would like for them to find a replacement for him for the zoning of Gifford.

Dave Atchley was present to report about the bids for the water main. Cross construction came in with the lowest bid for \$139,410.79. Trustee Ehler made the motion to accept the bid from Cross Construction for \$139,410.79 for

the water main using PVC C900 as the main material. It was seconded by Trustee Severins. All Trustees concurred in a roll call vote (6 yes, 0 no).

Each Trustee and Officer had been furnished printed copies of the minutes of the last regular meeting, Trustee Severins made a motion to dispense with the reading of the minutes. It was seconded by Trustee Pannbacker. All trustees concurred in a roll call vote (6 yes, 0 no). Trustee Pannbacker made a motion to accept the minutes as read. It was seconded by Trustee Jones. All trustees concurred in a roll call vote (6 yes, 0 no).

Each Trustee and Officer had been furnished printed copies of the bills to be considered for payment, Trustee Jones made a motion to dispense with the reading of the minutes. It was seconded by Trustee Pannbacker. All Trustees concurred in a roll call vote (6 yes, 0 no). Trustee McFadden made a motion to pay the bills. It was seconded by Trustee Jones. All Trustees concurred in a roll call vote (6 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 Ehler. All Trustees concurred in a roll call vote (6 yes, 0 no). The balance in Village accounts as of July 31, 2015 was \$741,442.55. Total money received for the month of July 2015 was \$103,259.93, plus \$8.42 interest from CD#15399 and \$10.20 interest from CD#8170. Total expenses for the month were \$90,191.16, leaving a balance on July 31, 2015 of \$754,529.94. The balance in the Disaster Recovery Fund as of July 31, 2015 was \$368,226.23; money received \$00.00 and paid out \$1,280.00. The balance in the Tornado/WTP Construction Fund as of July 31, 2015 was \$00.00; money received \$00.00 and paid out \$00.00, account closed. The balance in the Tornado/Tower Construction Fund as of July 31, 2015 was \$409.19; money received \$00.00 and paid out \$6,320.60. The balance in the IDOT Construction Fund as of July 31, 2015 was \$343,124.17; money received \$00.00 and paid out \$00.00.

#### **POLICE REPORT**

The Police Report was read by Chief Weary. In investigative matters there were 13 incidents, 2 reports and no arrests. In traffic matters there were 38 incidents, 36 warnings, 1 citation and 0 arrests.

#### **WATER AND SEWER REPORT**

Trustee Jones reported activity for the month of July, 2015. Total gallons of water pumped for July, 2015 was 2,544,100 gallons. The average daily consumption of water for the month was 82,000 gallons. Childress reported he dug up and replaced the water service at 305 West Summit because of a broken yolk, replaced 10 feet of 5 inch field tile going into ditch at 304 North Main due to tree roots, jetted and located field tile running behind homes along the west side of South New St. Spent several days trenching in electrical lines, removing all of the old siphons and installing new siphons in dosing tank at water treatment plant. Pulled weeds in sand filters at water treatment plant, mowed in town and at water treatment plant, had to take out number 3 blowers at water treatment plant and have repairs done to it. Took all water and waste water samples and sent them into the EPA, sent out 13 letters for non-payment of water and wastewater bills, had to discontinue 3 services for non-payment of water and waste water bills. Cut weeds and mowed the Emord property on Main St., logged all water bill receipts and made all the deposits. Backwashed all pressure filters at water treatment plant, dug up and permanently cut off water service at 106 West Center St.

Directed to get permit to shut down Main St. in front of Robin's Body Shop for repairs to tile.

#### **STREET AND ALLEY REPORT**

Trustee Pannbacker reported that the final 50% of the siren money is due by the end of August. The last amount does not include electrical. September will be the installation of the siren.

**SANITARY AND STORM REPORT**

No report at this time.

**POWER LIGHTS AND TELEPHONE REPORT**

Trustee Severins had nothing to report on street lights. Golf Cart stickers need to be ordered for the new year.

**RESOURCES MANAGEMENT AND PUBLIC RELATIONS REPORT**

Trustee Carpenter reported that Jeb Willard is to be paid \$350.00 for the web site upkeep. Also, need to send John Stalter a bill for dumping and add interest monthly.

**FACILITIES CONSTRUCTION AND MAINTENANCE REPORT**

No report at this time.

**OLD BUSINESS**

**NEW BUSINESS**

Dave Atchley to let bids for road resurfacing, August 13<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> in paper. Bids to be opened on August 26<sup>th</sup> with a special Village Board Meeting on August 27<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m. to accept a bid. Work to be completed by November 15, 2015.

Trustee Severins moved the meeting be adjourned. It was seconded by Trustee Ehler. All Trustees concurred in a voice vote. The meeting was adjourned at 8:47 p.m.

Approved this 3rd day of September, 2015

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