

Regular Meeting January 2, 2014

The Village Board of Trustees met at 7:00, local time, at the Gifford State Bank Board Room, to hold their regular monthly meeting. Officers and Trustees present were President Ackerman and Trustees Baxter, Cler, Ehler, Jones, Severins, and Youmans.

Guests were Ken and Deb Curtis, Steve Griswold, Donna Goldenstein, Andy Keiser from Fehr-Graham, and Dave Atchley from MSA. The Curtis's expressed concerns about an existing garage that they would like to rebuild after damage from the tornado. After discussion, it was decided to have them apply for a variance from the Zoning Committee. Goldenstein talked about a tornado disaster plan letter that she had sent. Trustee Ehler said that he would meet with her and President Ackerman at 6:00 on January 16 at the Hicksgas building to discuss tornado events, etc.

As each Trustee and Officer had been given printed copies of the minutes from the previous meetings, Trustee Baxter made a motion to dispense with the reading of the minutes. It was seconded by Trustee Cler. All Trustees concurred in a roll call vote (6 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 (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 Baxter. All Trustees concurred in a roll call vote (6 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 (6 yes, 0 no).

As each Trustee and Officer had been given printed copies of the Treasurer's Report, Trustee Baxter 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 November 30, 2013 was \$578,008.34. Total money received for the month of December was \$229,468.49, plus \$10.18 interest from CD #8170 and \$14.87 interest from CD #15399. Total expenses for the month were \$119,168.95, leaving a balance on December 31, 2013 of \$688,332.93.

The Police Report was read by Chief Weary. In Investigative Matters, there were 20 incidents, six reports, and one arrest. In Traffic Matters, there were 18 incidents, nine warnings, and six citations.

There was no Water and Sewer Report, but Jess Childress has been very busy! There was discussion regarding the water tower. MSA presented an attachment with a project update, saying we should have more information by January 10th. Andy Keiser from Fehr-Graham talked about the water treatment building and dealings with the insurance company. He said he is slowly moving forward. He is currently waiting for the electrical bid. He has submitted \$684,000 to the insurance company so far. He presented an agreement for President Ackerman to sign and stamp with the Village seal. Trustee Ehler

made a motion for President Ackerman to sign the agreement for \$684,000. It was seconded by Trustee Severins. All Trustees concurred in a roll call vote (6 yes, 0 no).

STREETS AND ALLEY REPORT

Trustee Cler said the jurisdictional transfer with the County and Jeff Blue needs to be resent.

POWER LIGHTS AND TELEPHONE REPORT

Trustee Severins talked to Dave Downing regarding electrical outlets for the Christmas lights.

NEW BUSINESS

President Ackerman presented Ordinance #318, amending Section 7.104 of Ordinance #144. Trustee Cler made a motion to accept Ordinance #318. It was seconded by Trustee Severins. All Trustees concurred in a roll call vote (6 yes, 0 no).

Brad Johnson of Johnson Tree Care had said he would work with the Village on tree removal, etc.

Bill Schluter had given Trustee Ehler a bid for removal of the trees we lost so far.

Casey's General Stores has requested a hard liquor license for their store at the corner of Main Street and Route 136.

Trustee Ehler moved the meeting be adjourned. It was seconded by Trustee Severins. All Trustees concurred in a voice vote. The meeting was properly adjourned at 8:42 P.M.

Village Clerk

Approved by me this 6th day of February 2014.

President of the Board