

Regular Meeting July 2, 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, Cler, Jones, Pannbacker and Severins. Police Chief Weary, Water/Maintenance Childress and Treasurer Tracy Childress also present.

Trustee Baxter, absent.

Guests were Philip Kisubiks (Rantoul Press), Dave Atchley (MSA), Eric Rademacher, Zoning, Carrie Huls, Steve Thompson, Cindy Duden, Mark Frandle and Dustin Ehler.

Pledge of Allegiance and roll call.

Mark Frandle was present to ask about drainage issues/elevation problems around his house and reimbursement for the tile he put around his house. Trustee Cler said it was normal for everyone to pay for their own tile around their own home.

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 Cler. 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 Severins. All trustees concurred in a roll call vote (5 yes, 0 no).

Each Trustee and Officer had been furnished printed copies of the bills to be considered for payment, Trustee Carpenter 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 (5 yes, 0 no). Trustee Cler made a motion to pay the bills. It was seconded by Trustee Jones. All Trustees concurred in a roll call vote (5 yes, 0 no).

Each Trustee and Officer had been furnished printed copies of the Treasurer's Report, Trustee Pannbacker made a motion to dispense with the reading of the Treasurer's Report, except for the summary. It was seconded by Trustee Carpenter. All Trustees concurred in a roll call vote (5 yes, 0 no). The balance in Village accounts as of May 31, 2015 was \$688,572.74. Total money received for the month of June 2015 was \$97,357.86, plus \$8.42 interest from CD#15399 and \$10.20 interest from CD#8170. Total expenses for the month were \$44,506.67, leaving a balance on June 30, 2015 of \$741,442.55. The balance in the Disaster Recovery Fund as of June 30, 2015 was \$369,506.23; money received \$16,606.00 and paid out \$82,959.02. The balance in the Tornado/WTP Construction Fund as of June 30, 2015 was \$00.00; money received \$1,000.00 and paid out \$1,373.87, account closed. The balance in the Tornado/Tower Construction Fund as of June 30, 2015 was \$6,729.79; money received \$40,000.00 and paid out \$43,403.83. The balance in the IDOT Construction Fund as of June 30, 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 15 incidents, 2 reports and no arrests. In traffic matters there were 24 incidents, 18 warnings, 0 citations and 0 arrests.

WATER AND SEWER REPORT

Trustee Jones reported activity for the month of June, 2015. Total gallons of water pumped for June, 2015 was 2,495,600 gallons. The average daily consumption of water for the month was 83,190 gallons. Childress reported he dug up and replaced leaking water service on North Street, replaced 10 feet of 5 inch field tile that ran through

the EI diamond at the end of Church St. Jetted and dug up a section of 10 inch drain tile behind Robin's Body Shop that was partially clogged, cleaned the waste water plant after heavy rains, because it had filled the chlorine pit with at least a couple of feet of corn stalks. It also flooded the office and blower room. Pulled weeds in sand filters at waste water plant, mowed in town and at waste water plant, painted the yellow lines for the parking downtown, took all water and wastewater samples and sent them to the EPA, sent out 16 letters for non-payment of water and wastewater bills, discontinued 2 services for non-payment, cut weeds and mowed the Emord property on Main St. Logged all water bill receipts and made all deposits, backwashed all pressure filters at water treatment plant and all of the foundation work was completed on the new water tower.

Childress brought up that there would be a cost of \$6,400.00 to remove stumps at Emord's property on Main St. Mayor Ackerman directed him to the Gifford Bank for payment from the Tornado Relief Fund.

Childress said tile work needs to take place on Main St. near Robin's Body Shop, shutting down an area of Main St. for 3 to 4 days. Mayor Ackerman directed him to contact the County for approval to shut down Main St. and will approve costs for work at August meeting.

Eric Rademacher asked for a variance for Carrie Huls, 540 S. Main St. Zoning Board met and contacted appropriate parties with no objections to the building of a carport on easement.

Trustee Cler made a motion for a variance for 540 S. Main St. the building of a carport 7 inches on the easement. Seconded by Trustee Severins. All Trustees concurred in a roll call vote (5 yes, 0 no).

STREET AND ALLEY REPORT

Trustee Cler reported about IDOT Grant. Coversheet for bid at next meeting, should be enough funds for streets, sidewalks, oil and chipping.

SANITARY AND STORM REPORT

Trustee Pannbacker reported a tile was needed on Park and Plumb and an issue with water constantly pumping from residence on Park St., catch basin needed to drain to the EI field. Pannbacker is to contact Wayne Emkes regarding tile work west of town.

POWER LIGHTS AND TELEPHONE REPORT

Trustee Severins reported the light at Eagle Prairie had been fixed, all lights working at this time. Trustee Severins also reported that 20 golf carts are now registered.

RESOURCES MANAGEMENT AND PUBLIC RELATIONS REPORT

Trustee Carpenter reported that he collected \$180.00 from dumping, no money back as of yet for recycle. He also reported that a resident took advantage of the dumpster and dumped remodel items and dirt, Chief Weary will talk with the resident.

FACILITIES CONSTRUCTION AND MAINTENANCE REPORT

No report, Trustee Baxter absent.

OLD BUSINESS

Pannbacker reported about the siren, it will be located near old water tower for power source. Trustee Pannbacker also brought up discussion about recycle hopper, it was decide to locate it on Village Building property by the side trees.

Pannbacker made a motion to accept the #4 example for a Welcome Rock for the Village Building Property. It was seconded by Trustee Cler. All Trustees concurred in a roll call vote (5yes, 0 no).

Dave Atchley reported that bids will open July 30th for the water main looping, to be run in the paper twice and a bid to be accepted at August 6, 2015 meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

No new business.

Trustee Severins moved the meeting be adjourned. It was seconded by Trustee Cler. All Trustees concurred in a voice vote. The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Approved this 6th day of August, 2015
