

Regular Meeting June 4, 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 Baxter, Carpenter, Cler, Jones, Pannbacker and Severins. Water/Maintenance Childress and Treasurer Tracy Childress also present.

Chief Weary, absent.

Guests were Philip Kisubiks (Rantoul Press), Dave Atchley (MSA), Earl Smith and Kelly Carter.

Pledge of Allegiance and roll call.

Earl Smith presented the flag in the frame. Trustee Baxter also asked if he was the person to notify about adding names to the War Memorial at the Park, and he is. Mr. Tiarks wants his Son's name on the Memorial, Mr. Tiarks to be notified.

Kelly Carter was present to ask if the Village Board had any objections to shutting down Main Street the evening of June 27th for the Independence Day Celebration. There were no objections to her request on behalf of the Bank and Gifford Independence Day Committee. The Committee is also taking care of the cost again this year, knowing the Village is not financially able to cover the costs.

Trustee Cler made a motion for a Resolution for Maintenance of Streets and Highways by Municipality Under the Illinois Highway code. 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 Cler 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 (6 yes, 0 no). Trustee Severins 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 Baxter made a motion to dispense with the reading of the minutes. It was seconded by Trustee Carpenter. All Trustees concurred in a roll call vote (6 yes, 0 no). Trustee Baxter 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 Cler. All Trustees concurred in a roll call vote (6 yes, 0 no). The balance in Village accounts as of April 30, 2015 was \$652,408.64. Total money received for the month of May 2015 was \$57,119.32, plus \$8.41 interest from CD#15399 and \$10.20 interest from CD#8170. Total expenses for the month were \$43,934.71, leaving a balance on May 31, 2015 of \$665,611.86. The balance in the Disaster Recovery Fund as of May 31, 2015 was \$435,859.25; money received \$85,473.88 and paid out \$460,598.91. The balance in the Tornado/WTP Construction Fund as of May 31, 2015 was \$373.87; money received \$00.00 and paid out \$00.00. The balance in the Tornado/Tower Construction Fund as of May 31, 2015 was \$10,133.62; money received \$60,000.00 and paid out \$64,230.25. The balance in the IDOT Construction Fund as of May 31, 2015 was \$343,124.17; money received \$00.00 and paid out \$00.00.

POLICE REPORT

The Police Report was read by Trustee Jones. In investigative matters there were 15 incidents, 2 reports and no arrests. In traffic matters there were 34 incidents, 31 warnings, 2 citations and 0 arrests.

WATER AND SEWER REPORT

Trustee Jones reported activity for the month of May, 2015. Total gallons of water pumped for May, 2015 was 2,587,400 gallons. The average daily consumption of water for the month was 83,000 gallons. Childress reported he replaced about 70 feet of 6 inch field tile on the west side of the Park along Main Street, replaced 200 feet of 4 inch field tile behind the residence at 617 South Park Street, had a 2 inch main break on Florida Drive, jetted tile on Florida Drive, Main Street and Park Street, pulled weeds around lagoons at wastewater treatment plant, mowed in town and at wastewater plant, graded ditches and Park Street to remove standing water along roadway, took all water and wastewater samples and sent them into the EPA, sent out 16 letters for non-payment of water and wastewater bills, had to discontinue 1 service for non-payment, cut up and hauled tress from park, took down Christmas Wreaths/Lights and put up flags, 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..

STREET AND ALLEY REPORT

Trustee Cler reported about the list of IDOT Recovery Projects, sidewalks and roads. Coversheet for bid at next meeting.

SANITARY AND STORM REPORT

Trustee Pannbacker reported a field tile broke at the Park and the tile on North Park Street had been repaired. The problem with the water draining behind Johnny Christians is no longer a problem; he cut the tile shorter and is draining in a different direction.

POWER LIGHTS AND TELEPHONE REPORT

Trustee Severins reported all lights are on and 4 were fixed this month. Trustee Pannbacker reported a light at Eagle Prairie was blinking, Trustee Severins said he would take care of it.

RESOURCES MANAGEMENT AND PUBLIC RELATIONS REPORT

Trustee Carpenter reported that the Community Garage Sale will be Saturday, June 13th and the recycle day will be Saturday June 20th from 8 a.m.-12 p.m. and there will be a \$10 fee per load. No yard waste, tires or old TV's can go in the recycle.

Trustee Carpenter was also notified that 104 W. Park St. was R-1 zoned.

FACILITIES CONSTRUCTION AND MAINTENANCE REPORT

Trustee Baxter reported that the Boulder Sign will go in the oval grass circle area out front with a drop box for the water bills attached, it just needs to be 40 feet away from the 136 center line and no approval is needed.

Trustee Baxter also reported that the Gifford Lions Club donated the 4 new Flags at the Park, Farm Bureau donated 10 new trees, Darren Suits donated 3 trees and the Gifford Lion's will be donating \$1,500.00 towards more new trees when they are ready to be planted. This was all reported to him from Neil Baker.

Trustee Baxter to get with Lee Jones family about a sign for him in town, he is in the Army. Living outside of town the family is to pay for the sign if they want one.

Trustee Baxter is to buy fire extinguishers from Getz, same place as alarm system. A small one for the office areas at a cost of \$54.38 and a larger one for the shop at a cost of \$78.75. They will also take care of yearly inspection of the extinguishers.

Trustee Baxter is to get a copy of Brian Hesterberg's insurance policy for his equipment, etc. that is in the Village Building.

Trustee Baxter is to look into getting a lock box for the outside of the Village Building, for Fire Department use only.

OLD BUSINESS

Discussion about grant money being used for the tornado sirens and discussion about taking care of this before August 31, 2015 to use the grant money for this project. Trustee Pannbacker had bids from Mr. Bletscher from Global Technical Systems, Inc. and Griffin Tower Connection, Inc. President Ackerman asked for a motion. Trustee Pannbacker made a motion to go with Global, total cost \$24,967.96. It was seconded by Trustee Baxter. All Trustees concurred in a roll call vote (6 yes, 0 no).

Dave Atchley (MSA) was at the meeting to discuss getting bids out as early as July so work can get started on the water tower. President Ackerman asked for a motion. Trustee Cler made a motion to continue with documents for 10inch loop to Park St. including service connectors with MSA. It was seconded by Trustee Severins. All Trustees concurred in a roll call vote (6yes, 0no).

Discussion about the long-term recovery committee from the tornado dropping the recycle hopper and does the Village want to consider paying for this to continue. Discussion was brought up from Trustee Pannbacker to look at a possible franchise for the garbage pick-up in town; Trustee Pannbacker said it would have to be for everyone in town, 100% participation. They decided to continue with what we are doing at this time for garbage pick-up and no decision was made about the recycle hopper.

Discussion about signage for the Village Building, Trustee Baxter has not had time as of yet to look into this. No decision made at this time.

Jess Childress noted that a letter was sent to EPA regarding the monitoring of nitrates.

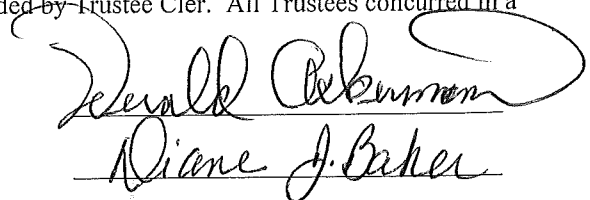
NEW BUSINESS

President Ackerman asked for a motion to accept an Ordinance with Champaign County Animal Control Department, from Chief Weary. Trustee Cler made a motion to accept the Ordinance for an Intergovernmental Agreement for Animal Impoundment Services. It was seconded by Trustee Severins. All Trustees concurred in a roll call vote (6 yes, 0 no).

President Ackerman asked for a motion to accept an Ordinance for the 2016 Budget. Trustee Cler made a motion to accept an Ordinance for the 2016 Budget as presented. It was seconded by Trustee Baxter. All Trustees concurred a roll call vote (6 yes, 0 no).

President Ackerman asked for a motion to accept an Ordinance for Prevailing Wages. Trustee Cler made a motion to accept an Ordinance of Village of Gifford, Champaign County, Illinois Asserting the Prevailing Rate of Wages for Laborers, Workmen and Mechanics Employed on Public Works of Said Village of Gifford. It was seconded by Trustee Baxter. All Trustees concurred in a roll call vote (6 yes, 0 no).

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 9:03 p.m.



Donald Ackerman
Diane J. Baker

Approved this 2nd day of July, 2015