

## Regular Meeting January 7, 2016

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 Trustee Carpenter, Ehler, Jones McFadden, Pannbacker and Severins. Police Chief Weary, Water/Maintenance Childress and Treasurer Christie Huls also present.

Pledge of Allegiance and roll call.

Guests were Philip Kisubiks (Rantoul Press), Dave Atchley (MSA) and Cindy Duden

Dave Atchley was present to speak about all of the projects and a completion notice. He also said an estimate of \$20,000 could take the old water tower down, Trustee Ehler said there were companies that would come in and take it down for just the scrap. Dave reminded the board that the insurance was coming due on the old water tower.

Trustee Ehler asked Dave Atchley what would be involved in dredging a lagoon. Dave Atchley said you get a bid on volume basis, samples of sludge need to be taken. Dave suggested to Jess to do another sludge sample, which Jess will do once the weather permits.

Jess is to check with Kalin Kocher to see how much it would be to have him finish Emords lot on Main Street and to put a culvert in on Park Street, adjust a culvert possibly and clean out some culverts there as well.

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

Each Trustee and Officer had been furnished printed copies of the bills to be considered for payment, Trustee McFadden made a motion to dispense with the reading of the bills. It was seconded by Trustee Severins. All Trustees concurred in a roll call vote (6 yes, 0 no). Trustee Pannbacker 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, Christie Huls had an amendment to the balance from last months treasurer report, it should have been \$754,767.78. Trustee Severins made a motion to dispense with the reading of the Treasurer's Report, except for the summary. It was seconded by Trustee Jones. All Trustees concurred in a roll call vote (6 yes, 0 no). The starting balance in Village accounts as of December 31, 2015 was \$754,767.78. Total money received for the month of December 2015 was \$75,643.48, plus \$8.43 interest from CD#15399 and \$10.21 interest from CD#8170. Total expenses for the month were \$81,298.52, leaving a balance on December 31, 2015 of \$749,131.38. The balance in the Disaster Recovery Fund as of December 31, 2015 was \$27,543.93; money received \$00.00 and paid out \$65,336.07. The balance in the Tornado/Tower Construction Fund as of December 31, 2015 was \$166.81; money received \$34,000.00 and paid out \$117,030.48. The balance in the IDOT Construction Fund as of December 31, 2015 was \$110,034.34; money received \$00.00 and paid out \$215,860.98. The balance in the Water Main Improvement Fund as of December 31, 2015 was \$3.30; money received \$3.30 and paid out \$28,645.12.

### **POLICE REPORT**

The Police Report was read by Chief Weary. In investigative matters there were 12 incidents, 0 report and 0 arrests. In traffic matters there were 35 incidents, 32 warnings, 3 citations and 0 arrests.

**WATER AND SEWER REPORT**

Activity for the month of December, 2015. Total gallons of water pumped for December, 2015 was 2,462,000 gallons. The average daily consumption of water for the month was 79,000 gallons. Childress reported he tapped in new water service to the new habitat house on North Park Street, repaired broken water service on the south end of Florida Drive, had Illinois Water come and help do flow tests on fire hydrants for the ISO report, dug up and replaced broken water service at 220 South New Street and cut several holes in the old water tower so it could be drained. Dug up 50 feet of 5 inch clay tile that was bad on East Willard Street and replaced it with new 6 inch plastic tile, jetted tile after all the rain on South New, South Park by the Church and on East Willard. Had to send out 20 letters for non-payment of water and wastewater bills, discontinued three services for non-payment of water and wastewater bills, put a new culvert in at Norma Reynolds residence on West Street, backwashed all pressure filters at water treatment plant, logged all water and sewer bills and made the deposit, also put up Christmas wreaths.

**STREET AND ALLEY REPORT**

Trustee Pannbacker reported that repairs were needed on Center and Park where it was dug up, it is all mud. Also, the road that leads to the culdesac by Park and Enray needs to be repaired.

**SANITARY AND STORM REPORT**

Trustee Ehler reported on work that needed to take place at the Emord lot and on Center Street.

**POWER LIGHTS AND TELEPHONE REPORT**

Trustee Severins reported 2 lights out last month, N. West Street and Willard Street. They are all fixed at this time.

**RESOURCES MANAGEMENT AND PUBLIC RELATIONS REPORT**

Trustee Carpenter had nothing to report at this time.

**FACILITIES CONSTRUCTION AND MAINTENANCE REPORT**

Trustee McFadden reported the water bill mail box is installed.

**OLD BUSINESS**

Trustee Ehler reported that the samples the UI took for nitrates indicate that a bioreactor will get our nitrate levels down. He thinks the Village should challenge the EPA and keep the bioreactor idea available.

**NEW BUSINESS**

President Ackerman received a letter from Susan Monte, Regional Planning Office of Champaign County regarding National Flood insurance. He would like her contacted and invited to a Village Meeting. The Village Clerk, Diane

Trustee Ehler moved the meeting be adjourned. It was seconded by Trustee Severins. All Trustees concurred in a voice vote. The meeting was adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Approved this 4th day of February, 2016

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