February 16, 2010

7:30 p.m. The Regular Meeting of the Village Board of Trustees was called to order by Mayor Kearns who led the Pledge of Allegiance. A roll call was answered aye by Hampton, Wildermuth, Rausch, Kearns, Cockrell and Ostendorf. Sandy Stolte and Chief Rainey were also present.

Ostendorf made a motion; seconded by Hampton to approve the minutes from the previous meeting as were presented. A vote was answered aye by all members present.

VISITORS

WATER & SEWER
Trustee Kearns reported a committee meeting was held 02/02/10 at 7 p.m. to view the sewer lines video tapes for a possible problem that caused the back up into Mr. Junge’s basement. After reviewing of the video recordings, there was still not a answer to the problem. The camera could not get through a portion of the line. The camera crew to come back out and continue through the section of sewer line. Mayor Kearns noted the camera crew was back out and there was a large piece of concrete that clogged up the line. The blockage was removed. There is still a problem at the manhole by Nonie Shepherds that needs to be fixed. Trustee Kearns noted public works needs to be trained in confined spaces and the proper equipment needs to be purchased. Ira Renshaw to check into the training and equipment needed.

STREETS & ALLEYS
Trustee Kearns went over the bids for the John Deere tractor deck. Wildermuth said to wait until Ira comes on board to double check and oversee the project.

Trustee Kearns went over the tree cutting bids and addresses. The board’s consensus is to wait until Ira comes on board to double check and oversee the project.

Trustee Ostendorf noted the Fire Department sent a letter regarding the snow plowing of their lot being put on top of the list. Also a parking block was pulled up when plowing the EMS lot, public works to fix.

TIF/BUSINESS DIST
Mark Noonan of DMI was present to hand out and go over the schedule of events for a business district. The size of the area and the percentage are still to be determined. A motion is needed to begin Business District process and to hire DMI as the Village’s consultant in that process. Rausch and Kearns own property in the potential business district area and will be voting present.

Cockrell made a motion; seconded by Ostendorf to approve the beginning of the Business District Establishment Process and to hire DMI Solutions as the Village’s consultant for that process at a cost not to exceed $13,000. A vote was answered aye by Cockrell, Hampton, Wildermuth and Ostendorf. Kearns and Rausch voted present.

PARK
Trustee Rausch noted a committee meeting will be set up with Little League and Wade Ball.

Trustee Ostendorf noted the closed off exit at the park needs reflectors.

CEMETERY
Trustee Wildermuth noted there are bids for the lawn mower but should wait until Ira comes on board for review.

Rock is needed on the roadways in the cemetery.

Ordinance 2009-08 Chapter 12 Cemeteries. The prices were increased. After much discussion Sandy Stolte to do a cost analysis on cemetery prices. Table till cost analysis is done.

PUBLIC SAFETY
Trustee Ostendorf noted public safety met tonight. The bench latch was repaired on 4C20.

Chief Rainey to call John Cook about skunk removal. A permit is needed from Bryan Mahan of INDR

Trustee Ostendorf to check with OSHA regarding requirements on first aid kits available for employees.

MARINA
Trustee Cockrell went over a letter from the Marina. Cockrell to contact DNR about the deeded property.

Mayor Kearns appointed Wildermuth to the marina committee due to Kearns resigning from the committee.

POLICE
Trustee Cockrell noted citations need to be purchased. The cost is $100.00 from the county.

Ostendorf made a motion; seconded by Rausch to approve the purchase of citations from the county for $100.00. A vote was answered aye by all members present.

Trustee Cockrell noted file folders are needed at a cost of $247.00

Ostendorf made a motion; seconded by Cockrell to approve the purchase of file folders at a cost of $247.00. A vote was answered aye by all members present.

Ordinance 2009-10 Chapter 24 Adding Article 9. Table due to error on cover sheet.

Trustee Cockrell noted 2 tazer cartridges needs to be purchased at $25.00 each.

Ostendorf made a motion; seconded by Hampton to approve the purchase of 2 tazer cartridges at $25.00 each. A vote was answered aye by all members present.

Personnel to have a committee meeting to discuss police candidates.

Chief Rainey discussed purchasing a new police car. We received $5505 from the sale of the camper and $5600 from insurance on the black and white. Miles Chevy is offering $1800 as a trade in on the Jeep. To be discussed at committee meeting.

Chief noted field test kits for testing drugs are needed. The cost is $300 from Galls.
Ostendorf made a motion; seconded by Cockrell to approve the purchase of field test kits for testing drugs from Galls for $300. A vote was answered aye by all members present.

Chief noted mace is out dated and also needs to be purchased. QuarterMaster has the best price of $109.94 plus shipping.

Ostendorf made a motion; seconded by Cockrell to approve the purchase of mace from QuarterMaster at $109.94 plus shipping. A vote was answered aye by all members present.

PERSONNEL
Trustee Cockrell noted a committee meeting was held prior to the board meeting tonight with Ira Renshaw present to negotiate a contract. The recommendation is to hire Ira Renshaw with a starting salary of $56,000 for the first year. The second year will increase to $57,000 and the third year to increase to $58,000 annual salary. He will start February 22, 2010. Ira will also be taking care of the sewer plant.

Cockrell made a motion; seconded by Wildermuth to hire Ira Renshaw on the terms of the contract. A vote was answered aye by all members present.

GRANTS
Michelle noted Pam Hogan from St. Clair County Park Grants department called and is needing an actual receipt instead of the handwritten receipt for straw bales that was turned in. Michelle will take care of.

Trustee Cockrell noted the FEMA grant is still being processed.

PUBLIC BUILDINGS
Trustee Rausch noted he will be meeting with a group of citizens that is interested in setting up a museum in the old village hall.

Trustee Kearns noted pricing was received on 2 blinds for Village Hall that has broke some time ago. The price for Chief’s window is $135.10 and the other window is $100.80 plus $5.00 for shipping.

Cockrell made a motion; seconded by Wildermuth to approve the purchase of 2 blinds for $135.10 and $100.80 plus $5.00 shipping. A vote was answered aye by all members present.

ENGINEER
Nothing new to report

TREASURER
Sandy Stolte presented the monthly treasurer report.

Cockrell made a motion; seconded by Rausch to approve the monthly treasurer report. A vote was answered aye by all members present.

CLERK
Michelle Neff attended the clerk seminar in Peoria on February 10. Handouts will be given out at a later date.
Michelle Neff noted Nancy and herself have completed the FIOA training through the Attorney General's office.

Rausch left.

MAYOR
Mayor Kearns stated a letter was received from Trustee Cockrell to resign from Police committee chairman. Mayor Kearns appointed Trustee Ostendorf to take Trustee Cockrell place and Trustee Rausch to take Trustee Kearns place on the police committee. Mayor Kearns also moved Trustee Wildermuth from the local improvements committee to the Marina committee and Trustee Kearns from the Marina to the Local Improvements committee as chairman.

OTHER BUSINESS
Ordinance 2009-09 revising the pricing on Chapter 20 Article 15 - 1 penalties 2 application fees.

Ostendorf made a motion; seconded by Kearns to approve Ordinance 2009-09 Chapter 20 Article 15 – 1 & 2. A vote was answered aye by Kearns, Hampton, and Ostendorf. Cockrell and Wildermuth noted nay. Rausch was absent.

Ordinance 2009-11 replacing Chapter 5 Article 7 Fees.

Kearns made a motion; seconded by Hampton to approve Ordinance 2009-11 Chapter 5 Article 7 Fees. A vote was answered aye by Kearns, Hampton, Wildermuth and Ostendorf. Cockrell noted nay. Rausch was absent.

Trustee Kearns went over a handout from Reliable discussing the new rollable trash can supplied by Reliable. The trash truck will no longer go through the alleys using these trashcans. Curbside recycling pick up was also discussed.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 9:53 p.m.

Gary Kearns
Village President

Village Clerk
Michelle Neff