June 7, 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 Cockrell, Kearns, Hampton, and Wildermuth. Rausch and Ostendorf were absent. Chief Buehler, Ira Renshaw and Sandy Stolte were also present.

Trustee Kearns noted audit committee met tonight and handed out a copy of the minutes. The audit committee recommended paying the bills as submitted.

Trustee Kearns made a motion; seconded by Trustee Hampton to approve the audit as was presented. A vote was answered aye by Kearns, Hampton, Cockrell and Wildermuth. Rausch and Ostendorf were absent.

Trustee Cockrell made a motion; seconded by Trustee Hampton to approve the minutes from the previous meeting as presented. A vote was answered aye by Cockrell, Hampton, Wildermuth, and Kearns. Rausch and Ostendorf were absent.

VISITORS
Larry Weber, Jim Wade and Jill Toedte

Larry Weber asked for a parade donation. Mayor Kearns suggested $400.00 for the Banana Bike Brigade.

Trustee Hampton made a motion; seconded by Trustee Kearns to approve the donation for the parade in the amount of $400.00. A vote was answered aye by Kearns, Hampton, Cockrell and Wildermuth. Rausch and Ostendorf were absent.

LOCAL IMPROVEMENTS
Trustee Kearns noted a committee meeting was held 06/02 to discuss property owned by Herb Foerster. Mr. Foerster is requesting the Village give him permission to build a drive way and put utilities to his lot on the Village right-of-way. The committee recommends allowing Mr. Foerster permission to build a private drive and install private utility services to his lot across the Village right-of-way on the North Street right-of-way only. It was discussed on granting permission by a license agreement to allow driveway and utilities on right-of-way at resident's expense.

Trustee Cockrell made a motion; seconded by Trustee Hampton to allow Herb Foerster to build a private driveway and install utilities at resident’s expense on Village’s right-of-way pending a license agreement is signed. A vote was answered aye by Hampton, Wildermuth, Cockrell and Kearns. Rausch and Ostendorf were absent.

WATER & SEWER
Ira Renshaw noted Illinois Rural Water Association membership is $327. Ira felt it is not necessary.

Ira Renshaw stated the inspection for the water tower is $3200.00 by Liquid Engineering.

Trustee Hampton made a motion; seconded by Trustee Cockrell to approve the water tower inspection from Liquid Engineering as presented. A vote was answered aye by Kearns, Hampton, Cockrell and Wildermuth. Rausch and Ostendorf were absent.

Ira also noted the consumer confidence report needs to be published. Belleville News Democrat cost is $1800.00. Ira is waiting on a price from Freeburg Tribune.

Trustee Hampton made a motion; seconded by Trustee Cockrell to publish the consumer confidence report with the best interest of the Village. A vote was answered aye by Kearns, Hampton, Cockrell and Wildermuth. Rausch and Ostendorf were absent.

Trustee Kearns stated a letter was received from Mulholland's regarding a water leak. The leak did not go into the sewer and the credit would consist of $28.00 (4500 gallons) on the sewer side of the bill.
Trustee Kearns made a motion; seconded by Trustee Hampton to approve a sewer credit of $28.00 on Mulholland's bill. A vote was answered aye by Kearns, Hampton, and Wildermuth. Cockrell voted nay. Rausch and Ostendorf were absent.

Ira to look at hole in Becherer yard by the flower bed to check for sewer main leaks.

STREETS & ALLEYS
Ira noted the backhoe needs tires. Wetzel had the best bid at $211.59 per tire installed.

Trustee Cockrell made a motion; seconded by Trustee Hampton to purchase backhoe tires from Wetzel's at $211.59 per tire. A vote was answered aye by Kearns, Cockrell and Wildermuth. Hampton voted nay. Rausch and Ostendorf were absent.

One third of the road oiling will be done on June 21st. They will start with the streets where the water line was replaced. The street crossings and where the valves are were patched. The hydraulic pump on the roller went out and it will cost $5000 to fix. Dave Parker is looking for a hydraulic pump.

Trustee Cockrell noted some of the stop signs are faded and need to be replaced after road oiling.

PARK
The committee to meet and discuss the reservation permit draft and get back with Ira if changes to be made. Also to also discuss who can use the hydrants and the cost of lights and set up rules and regulations and pricing.

CEMETERY
Nothing new to report.

PUBLIC SAFETY
Nothing new to report.

POLICE
Chief Buehler noted with the LESO Grant we now have two M-16’s and one M 14 rifle for squad cars. The 2010 tobacco grant is complete. The fee receipts to date are $3,280.00. Letters were given to the bars regarding the smoke free act. The Rural Police Institute has free federal training for the officers. The 475-2133 line will now be forwarded to the cell phone during the day and when Officer Hill works to reduce the CINCOM bills. It will still be forwarded to CINCOM for some night shifts depending on the officer working. Chief also noted numerous emergency calls are made to Village hall when 911 should be called instead.

Chief Buehler presented Officer Hill with an Outstanding Accommodation Bar Award for all the drug arrests and other arrests he has made.

PERSONNEL
A committee meeting to be held next week.

GRANTS
Ira Renshaw reported IDOT will now handle the bidding for the Safe Routes to School Grant. The project will not be done before school starts but now there is no time limit since IDOT is in charge.

PUBLIC BUILDINGS
Nothing new to report.

ADA
Nothing new to report.

ORDINANCE REVIEW
Ira noted Resolution 2010-04 authorizing Mayor's signature on memo of understanding for Ordinance 2010-01
Trustee Cockrell made a motion; seconded by Trustee Hampton to approve Resolution 2010-04 authorizing the Mayor’s signature on the memo of understanding for Ordinance 2010-01. A vote was answered aye by Kearns, Hampton, Cockrell and Wildermuth. Rausch and Ostendorf were absent.

Trustee Kearns noted a committee meeting was held 06/02 to discuss the industrial lot sale contract. After discussion with committee and legal council the new contract was recommended to the board.

Trustee Cockrell made a motion; seconded by Trustee Hampton to accept the revised sales contract for the industrial lots as presented. A vote was answered aye by Kearns, Hampton, Cockrell and Wildermuth. Rausch and Ostendorf were absent.

TREASURERS TIME
Sandy Stolte went over the Ethics, Debt and Electronic Mail Retention Policy drafts handouts. The board to look over and vote on at the next meeting. Trustee Kearns stated all board members should attend the committee meetings for these items.

CLERKS TIME
The Clerk noted the addresses have been marked off the list for all that have purchased city stickers up to this date. Chief to enforce the ordinance.

MAYOR’s TIME
Mayor Kearns stated somebody is possibly interested in reopening the New Athens Yellow Jackets Bar. The board consensus is to allow the liquor license.

OTHER BUSINESS
The board consensus is not to renew the Tourism Bureau Membership for the cost of $225.

Trustee Kearns stated the Village in not receiving any revenue on the 1.61 acres in exhibit C where the Marina has campers located. We should be receiving percent rent on this acreage as stated in exhibit C. It was also noted the percentage rent for the last 3 years has not been paid.

Trustee Cockrell left at 9:23 p.m.

Trustee Kearns asked the if we received an invoice from Steve Giacoletto yet. Trustee Wildermuth to contact Steve Giacoletto and let him know his services are not needed at this time.

Ira Renshaw and Sandy Stolte to come up with a list for the $30,000 grant.

Trustee Hampton noted he will not be able to attend the next board meeting.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 9:27 p.m.

Gary Kearns
Village President

Michelle Neff
Village Clerk