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, Wildermuth, Ostendorf and Kreher. Chief Buehler, Ira Renshaw and Sandy Stolte were also present.

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

VISITORS
No visitors present

LOCAL IMPROVEMENTS
Ira Renshaw noted he spoke with Bob Elkin regarding the Dollar General project. Dollar General is still interested in the site. Elkin wants a guarantee that the persons who objected to the Dollar General project would not file suit. A letter is being sent to Dollar General stating the Village’s interest in the store coming to our town. Bob Kearns did not sign the letter due to conflict of interest.

Mayor Kearns noted ordinance 2010-05 needs to be passed setting the business dist sales tax rate of 1% so it can be sent to Illinois Department of Revenue.

Trustee Ostendorf made a motion; seconded by Trustee Wildermuth to approve Ordinance 2010-05 setting the sales tax rate of 1% in the business district. A vote was answered aye by Cockrell, Wildermuth, Kreher, Hampton, Kearns and Ostendorf.

WATER & SEWER
Trustee Kearns noted Cara of Savota Inc did not show up to protest her water bill. The meter was checked and is working properly on our side.

The bill for Walden was $150 more than bid due to 7 service reconnections that needed to be done. The bid was for $17,655.16.

Trustee Kearns made a motion; seconded by Trustee Kreher to pay the Walden bill for the amount $17,805.16. A vote was answered aye by Cockrell, Wildermuth, Kreher, Hampton, Kearns and Ostendorf.

Ira Renshaw noted Rhutsal finished the feasibility study and sent it to Rural Development for review. Ira also has a copy if board would like to review.

STREETS & ALLEYS
Ira Renshaw attended a meeting at IDOT regarding the Safe Route to School Grant. The construction will start 10/11/10 and last 20 construction days. Penalties apply if go beyond date. IDOT will pay the contractor and send the village a bill.

The Canadian National Railroad will close the railroad crossing 09/20/10 on Market St and 09/21/10 on East St.

PARK
Nothing new to report

CEMETERY
Nothing new to report

PUBLIC SAFETY
Trustee Ostendorf noted a committee meeting was held at 6:45 prior to the board meeting. Ambulance calls are 287 calls year to date with 1 missed. November elections are to be held with 4 people eligible to run.
A quote was received for ballard caps at a total cost of $227. It was discussed public works will paint. ESDA received 3 computers as a donation from the library. ESDA has received in donations $1000 from the Woman’s Club and $300 from the chicken dinner.

Trustee Ostendorf stated he is committed to have a siren projected started and possibly a phone notification system.

Trustee Ostendorf to schedule a meeting with the fire district to discuss the contract with them; all to attend.

The ambulance service invoice was discussed. The consensus is to use the same Index as the Marina, but use the half year of 201.846 making the CPI increase 4.476.

POLICE
K-9 discussion tabled.

Trustee Ostendorf noted he rode with the police Friday night and said the police are proactive.

The camera in Hill’s car needs to be fixed. The Jeep has a lot of mechanical problems and is costly to keep running. Sandy Stolte stated the board needs to determine when to replace police vehicles. Chief Buehler to check for state bids and pricing for necessary equipment before the next committee meeting.

Chief attended the rifle training last week and used his personal ammo.

Chief will be attending the St. Clair County full scale exercise tomorrow in O’Fallon.

Chief reported the boat races went well. Chief also received complements from citizens on how Officer Hendricks presented himself and how kind he was.

The digital camera broke and chief purchased a new one for $179.00. The DUI fund money should be used.

Trustee Ostendorf made a motion; seconded by Trustee Cockrell to reimburse Chief Buehler $179.00 for the purchase of a camera for the police department. A vote was answered aye by Cockrell, Wildermuth, Kreher, Hampton, Kearns and Ostendorf.

The Little League wrestling event on one officer worked instead of 2 as contracted. The invoice will be revised to only bill for one officer.

Michelle noted the police hours for the boat races went over the contracted amount by 2 hours. The board consensus is to bill for the 70 hours and if they don’t pay the additional 2 hours, they don’t.

PERSONNEL
Table vote on fulltime officer due to no recommendation at this time.

A personnel/ordinance committee meeting is scheduled for Wednesday 29th at 7 p.m. to discuss public works clothing prices, personnel policy, and hiring a fulltime officer.

GRANTS
Nothing new to report.

PUBLIC BUILDINGS
Nothing new to report.

ADA
Nothing new to report.
ORDINANCE REVIEW
Ira Renshaw noted the ordinance book needs updated. Ira to contact Heiligenstein to discuss options.

TREASURERS TIME
Sandy Stolte noted $50,000 has been paid on the line of credit loan.

Sandy presented the monthly treasurer’s report.

Trustee Cockrell made a motion; seconded by Trustee Kreher to accept the monthly treasurer report at presented. A vote was answered aye by Hampton, Cockrell, Kreher, Wildermuth, Kearns and Ostendorf.

Sandy handed out the monthly financials for review.

CLERKS TIME
Nothing new to report.

MAYOR’s TIME
Nothing new to report.

OTHER BUSINESS
Trustee Cockrell attended the Kaskaskia barge trip on October 10th. Jerry Costello talked about the new bridge project over the Mississippi River. Ira Renshaw to contact IDOT about the condition of our bridge.

Trustee Cockrell stated he is resigning and this will be his last board meeting. He thanked everybody for allowing his time on the board.

Trustee Ostendorf made a motion; seconded by Trustee Kreher to accept Trustee Cockrell’s resignation from the board. A vote was answered aye by Wildermuth, Hampton, Kreher, Kearns and Ostendorf. Cockrell abstained.

Michelle noted the petitions for trustee’s can be picked up starting Tuesday 09/21/10. There are three 4 year positions and two 2 year unexpired positions available.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 8:39 p.m.

Gary Kearns
Village President

Michelle Neff
Village Clerk