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 Kearns, Hampton, Wildermuth, Ostendorf and Kreher.
Chief Buehler, Lieutenant Hill, Officer Hamon, Ira Renshaw and Sandy Stolte were also present.

Trustee Kearns noted audit committee met tonight and went over the bills. The committee questioned the bills for
Hartmann Farm Supply and the Ambulance Shed cleaning bill. Ira Renshaw explained the Hartmann bill was about
$160 to fix the chainsaw and the rest of the bill is for string for the trimmers. The ambulance cleaning has always
been paid $150 to clean the shed and wash linens. The committee recommended to pay the bills as presented.

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

Chief Buehler questioned the minutes from last meeting under visitors if all the comments had to be included.
After discussion the board consensus is to table the minutes until changes have been made.

VISITORS

LOCAL IMPROVEMENTS
Trustee Ostendorf asked if letters went out possible future business for New Athens. Michelle stated the addresses
are ready; she is waiting on the board for letter in order to send out.

WATER & SEWER
Ira Renshaw noted at 1031 Spotsylvania the ground over the sewer main lines are still sinking. The sewer line needs
to have a camera ran through it to see what the problem is. Trustee Ostendorf noted there is a hole off of Mill
Street by Parkers old house that may need a camera ran through it too. Ira to check if other places in town need a
camera ran thought it too, while Walden is here for 1031 Spotsylvania.

Gary Kearns noted he has been charged for trash service for 825 New Baldwin Rd #C since May 2009. He has a
dumpster and should not be charged for an additional trash service. It was discussed if credit should be issued for
trash service paid. Michelle to pull out applications for utilities for all tenants in the building. Table till next
meeting.

STREETS & ALLEYS
Ira Renshaw noted there have been several complaints about roll off dumpsters on the streets. Some dumpsters have
been there for many months. The committee to review ordinance and check into including a limitation on how long
the dumpster can sit on the street.

PARK
Nothing new to report.

CEMETERY
Nothing new to report.

PUBLIC SAFETY
Trustee Ostendorf went over the tire bids for the Ambulance. Nu-Deal bid $1559.70, Bills Transmission bid
$1307.84 and Wetzel’s bid $1211.34.

Trustee Ostendorf made a motion; seconded by Trustee Kearns to approve the bid from Wetzel’s in the amount of
$1211.34 for Wrangler HTBLK LT225/75R16 tires. A vote was answered aye by Wildermuth, Kreher, Kearns,
Ostendorf and Hampton.

Trustee Ostendorf noted the committee met on 11/22/10 and most of the ambulance volunteers were present. They
discussed the ambulance personnel becoming part-time employees. Ira Renshaw went over the requirements.
Table emergency notification system and storm warning siren until further notice.

POLICE
Trustee Ostendorf noted the committee meeting held on 11/22 went well. It was an informational meeting.

Chief Buehler went over the activity report.

Trustee Ostendorf questioned if an arrested person is to get several tickets are they all issued at the time of attest? Lieutenant Hill responded as the supervisors review the officers report, they point out any missed citations that could have been issued. It is then that officer’s choice to mail the additional citations if he chooses.

Chief Buehler went over the Illinois Vehicle Code with the driver’s Ed students. Also discussed laws with government classes.

Chief Buehler gave Officer Hendricks an accommodation letter for his efforts on taking a reckless driver off the streets.

PERSONNEL
Trustee Kreher noted a committee meeting is being held 12/16/10 at 7 p.m.

A committee meeting was held 11/29 to discuss the 120 hour cap on sick time in the new personnel policy. Ira is waiting on clarification with the use of 120 hours and accumulation of sick hours. To be voted on at next meeting.

It was discussed to start the Ambulance employee pay December 27 so they are on the same pay period schedule as all other employees. Nancy to pay the volunteers through December 26, 2010. They will be paid for runs and on call, everything else is still voluntary. The cleaning of the ambulance shed and linens was discussed and they will still receive a check for $150 made to New Athens Ambulance Volunteers, to cover their expenses. They will still follow their bi-laws as approved by the Village board. Vote on part-time policy and Resolution to set pay at next meeting.

GRANTS
Nothing new to report.

PUBLIC BUILDINGS
Nothing new to report

ORDINANCE REVIEW
Trustee Kearns noted the golf cart ordinance was discussed at the 11/29 committee meeting. The committee recommends to leaving the ordinance as written.

TREAURERS TIME
Sandy Stolte went over the tax levy information. Trustee Wildermuth is not in favor of raising taxes. Trustee Kearns is willing to increase the levy up to $150,000. Last year the levy was $146,500. The levy would have to be increased to $156,432 or higher before a hearing would have to be held.

Trustee Wildermuth made a motion; seconded by Trustee Ostendorf to approve the $146,500 for the tax levy. A vote was answered aye by Wildermuth, Ostendorf and Hampton. Kearns and Kreher voted nay.

Sandy Stolte noted the state is 5 months behind paying the Village the income tax due by approximately $60,000.

CLERKS TIME
Michelle noted the 2011 regular scheduled meeting dates need to be approved and posted.

Trustee Ostendorf made a motion; seconded by Trustee Kreher to approve the 2011 regular scheduled meeting dates
as presented for posting. A vote was answered aye by Wildermuth, Ostendorf, Kearns, Kreher and Hampton.

**MAYOR’s TIME**
Mayor Kearns asked about an employee Christmas party. The board consensus is not to have a party this year, but to give out hams and turkeys.

Trustee Hampton made a motion; seconded by Trustee Ostendorf to purchase hams and turkeys and give to each fulltime employee for Christmas. A vote was answered aye by Wildermuth, Ostendorf, Hampton, Kearns and Kreher.

It was discussed to give part-time active employees as of 12/6/10 a ham for Christmas.

Trustee Ostendorf made a motion; seconded by Trustee Hampton to purchase hams and give to active part-time employees as of 12/06/10 for Christmas. A vote was answered aye by Wildermuth, Ostendorf, Hampton, Kearns and Kreher.

**OTHER BUSINESS**
Sandy Stolte noted her and Ira have been looking into upgrading Quick books and also installing payroll on Quick books. They would like to see it done by January 1st. They are also checking into a different internet provider.

Trustee Ostendorf has been in contact with a family circus and they would like to have a circus at the park Saturday April 16th 2011. This event would help raise money for needed park items. Ostendorf to bring more information to next meeting.

Mayor Kearns noted the Lower Kaskaskia Stakeholders dues are due. It was discussed to renew for Mayor Kearns and Trustee Kreher.

AmerenIP announced they will be in town to inspect clearance tolerance of the power lines. It will be the homeowner’s responsibility to clear any limbs that fail the inspection.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 9:10 p.m.

Gary Kearns  
Village President  

Michelle Neff  
Village Clerk