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, Hall, Weber, Geppert, Klein and Kreher. Tyler Liefer, Sandy Stolte, and Officer Wilson were also present.

The audit committee asked why the ambulance shed’s water bill was so high. Michelle stated they were told to run water over the unit to cool it down to keep the air conditioner running.

Trustee Hampton made a motion; seconded by Trustee Hall to pay the audit bills as presented. A vote was answered aye by Kreher, Hall, Weber, Geppert, Klein and Hampton.

Trustee Geppert made a motion; seconded by Trustee Weber to approve the minutes as presented. A vote was answered aye by Kreher, Hall, Klein, Weber, Hampton and Geppert.

VISITORS
Terry Politsch, Tim Pruett of Rhutasel and Daryl Ostendorf

Terry Politsch was present to ask the status on the derelict houses. The police to make a list of derelict houses and bring back to the board.

Daryl Ostendorf was present to inform the board the he will be starting to work on the circus project. The plan is for the circus to be held in April and Daryl is looking forward to everybody’s support in helping with the project.

LOCAL IMPROVEMENTS
Tyler Liefer noted he has plans from Casey’s General Store to build a gas station. Tyler is working on a letter to send back to Casey’s regarding the questions they have.

Trustee Geppert stated Kaskaskia Boat & Mini Storage wants to put in a security light with the board’s approval. The electric company said a roadway 8’ wide by 3” deep of rock in back of the building to the post where a transformer will be installed is needed. Keith Reuss said they will pay for all expenses. The board was in consensus to allow Kaskaskia Boat & Mini Storage to install a roadway from the back of the building to the post at Kaskaskia Boat & Mini Storage expense.

WATER & SEWER
Tim Pruett of Rhutasel and Associates went over the bid tabulation sheet for a new sewer plant. Plocher Construction Co. was the low bidder with a bid of $3,021,000. Tim noted the bids came in higher than the preliminary study that was done in 2010 for $2.2 million. Since the preliminary study grit removal and a concrete roadway was added to the plans as well as some other necessary changes. An ordinance was passed allowing the Village to borrow up to $3.3 million. IEPA is offering a 25% loan forgiveness if we turn in the loan papers by the end of September. The notice of intent to award to Plocher needs to be voted on and signed.

Trustee Weber made a motion; seconded by Trustee Kreher to authorize Mayor Kearns to sign the notice of intent to award to Plocher Construction Company. A vote was answered aye by Kreher, Hall, Klein, Weber, Hampton and Geppert.

STREETS & ALLEYS
Trustee Kreher noted the committee met August 28th at the 400 block of North Market Street. The problem seems to be a drainage issue. Tyler lowered the storm sewer inlet at 401 North Market Street. Trustee Hall asked if the street could be widened due to all the traffic. Trustee Kreher noted once the street is widened the street should be oiled and chipped on the sides where it was widened.

Trustee Geppert asked if slow moving vehicle signs could be put up around town for the golf carts and UTV’s. It was discussed to put the signs by the entrance of town.

CEMETERY
Nothing new to report

PARK
Nothing new to report
PUBLIC SAFETY
Trustee Geppert scheduled a committee meeting Tuesday September 11th to discuss the ambulance contracts.

Trustee Geppert said the water heater at the ambulance shed is still not working. Tyler tried to fix, but it will have to be replaced. Tyler to work with Jake about getting a new water heater.

Trustee Geppert noted the public works will need narrowband radios for ESDA in case there is an emergency or a disaster. Trustee Weber said fire, ambulance and public works can communicate with each other if they are all have the narrowband radios.

POLICE
Mayor Kearns stated the Wolfcom cameras the guys have been wearing on their bullet proof vest were on trial use and were sent back. Mayor Kearns stated on August 20th they were taken down to Wetzel’s to ship by UPS but they did not ship until the 30th. As soon as Wolfcom receives them back, Jessica’s boss will void the invoice and send a letter to the Village.

Mayor Kearns noted a complaint was received and there was no complete address or phone number. Officer Wilson read the complaint and stated in his police car and the Chief’s police car the person under arrest must ride in the front since the dog cage is in the back seat. Officer Wilson to review the recording from the Wolfcom camera of that arrest to see how it compares with the complaint.

Officer Wilson noted 4 PBT’s (portable breathalyzers) are needed for the police cars. The current ones are 10 years old and cannot be certified any more. The state bid is $436 per unit.

Trustee Weber made a motion; seconded by Trustee Geppert to authorize the purchase of 4 PBT’s on state bid for each police vehicle at a cost of $436 each. A vote was answered aye by Kreher, Hall, Klein, Weber, Hampton and Geppert.

Trustee Geppert asked if Chief Hill is reporting the information needed to LESO for the equipment received. Chief Hill told Mayor Kearns it has been taken care of. Trustee Geppert said Chief Hill told her it was all taken care also but we got another letter stating the reconciliation reports have not been done. Mayor Kearns told Trustee Geppert to call LESO.

Trustee Klein questioned the probation letter for Office Hamon from Chief Hill. Klein read the ordinance and stated the board decides on probation not the Chief.

Trustee Klein made a motion; seconded by Trustee Hall to lift the probation period for Officer Hamon. A vote was answered aye by Kreher, Hall, Klein, Weber, Hampton and Geppert.

PERSONNEL
Trustee Kreher said a committee meeting was held August 27th. The meeting went into executive session and he has the tape.

GRANTS
Tyler noted it will be October before we hear back on the CDBG.

PUBLIC BUILDINGS
The board reviewed the maintenance agreement for the air conditioners and furnaces for the Village buildings. A clause needs to be added for board to approval any expenses above the yearly maintenance.

Trustee Kreher made a motion; seconded by Trustee Hall to approve the maintenance agreement with the additional clause and put out for bid for air conditioning and furnace maintenance plan. A vote was answered aye by Kreher, Hall, Klein, Weber, Hampton and Geppert.

Tyler noted the low bid for resurfacing the medical building parking lot the board previously approved the drive way was not on the original quote given to the board. The revised bid from Christ is $35,000. Now Moore has the low bid at $23,840.

Trustee Kreher rescinded the original vote from the last board meeting and now will award to Moore with a low bid of $23,840.00 to resurface the medical building parking lot. A vote was answered aye by Kreher, Hall, Klein,
Weber, Hampton and Geppert.

**ORDINANCE REVIEW**
Nothing new to report

**TREASURERS TIME**
Nothing new to report

**CLERKS TIME**
Nothing new to report

**MAYOR’s TIME**
Mayor Kearns noted a proclamation for no texting while driving is to be signed.

Trustee Kreher made a motion; seconded by Trustee Geppert to approve the Mayor to sign the proclamation “No Text On Board”. A vote was answered aye by Kreher, Hall, Klein, Hampton, Weber and Geppert.

Mayor Kearns stated The Birkner’s turned down the Village’s offer. The board discussed and agreed to keep the Village’s offer as is.

A representative from the Army Corp of Engineers will be meeting at the Village Hall September 5th from 10 a.m. to noon to explain the levee accreditation. FEMA will be holding a meeting at the Bullpen on September 14th at 2 p.m. to also discuss the levee.

**OTHER BUSINESS**
Tyler noted the high bidder on the truck bids was from Lorri Conklin for the amount of $666.

Trustee Kreher made a motion; seconded by Trustee Weber to award the 1994 Chevy truck to the high bidder Lorri Conklin for the amount of $666. A vote was answered aye by Kreher, Hall, Klein, Weber, Hampton and Geppert.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 8:47 p.m.

Gary Kearns  
Village President

Michelle Neff  
Village Clerk