7:30 p.m. The regular meeting of the Village Board of Trustees was called to order by Trustee Kreher in Mayor Kearns absence. Trustee Kreher led the Pledge of Allegiance. A roll call was answered aye by Hampton, Geppert, Weber, Hall, Klein and Kreher. Sandy Stolte, Tyler Liefer, Officer Hamon, Officer Wilson and Lieutenant Buehler were also present.

A correction needs to be made under Mayor’s time.

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

VISITORS
Tim Pruett of Rhutasal, Patti Michaels, Dave Fellows and Cathy Meggs

Patti Michaels of Cencom was present to ask the board if they had any questions regarding dispatching. Trustee Geppert asked when we go to new dispatching system will the 911 calls still have to go through Cencom. Patti said since the police will still be dispatched through Cencom all calls will still have to go through Cencom first, so there will be a delay in the transfer of calls to O’Fallon dispatching. Patti also stated a series of questions must be asked before transferring the calls to O’Fallon.

Dave Fellows of ILEAS was present to give an award to the police department and Lieutenant Buehler for completing ILEAS Agency Preparedness Program. Dave is comfortable with all the work Lieutenant Buehler has done.

LOCAL IMPROVEMENTS
Nothing new to report

WATER & SEWER
Tim Pruett of Rhutasel gave a status report on the new sewer treatment plant project which is 65% complete. The target startup date is July 22nd. Tim recommended to approve the sixth pay request from Plocher in the amount of $482,933 and recommended to authorize Rhutasel to forward the pay request and any engineering expenses to the IEPA for payment from the loan.

Trustee Weber made a motion; seconded by Trustee Hampton to approve the sixth pay request from Plocher in the amount of $482,933 and authorize Rhutasel to forward to IEPA along with any engineering expenses for payment from the loan. A vote was answered aye by Kreher, Geppert, Hall, Weber, Klein and Hampton.

STREETS & ALLEYS
Tyler Liefer noted the MFT bid opening was held Friday April 12th and the low bidders were Beelman Logistics, Don Anderson Co., Verlan Funk Truck Service, Inc.

Trustee Geppert made a motion; seconded by Trustee Hampton to approve the low bid from Don Anderson for item 1 HFE 150 $2.067 unit price. A vote was answered aye by Kreher, Geppert, Hall, Weber, Klein and Hampton.

Trustee Hampton made a motion; seconded by Trustee Weber to approve the low bid from Beelman Logistics for item 2 seal coat $15.30 unit price. A vote was answered aye by Kreher, Geppert, Hall, Weber, Klein and Hampton.

Trustee Geppert made a motion; seconded by Trustee Hampton to approve the low bid from Verlan Funk Truck Service for item 3 cold patch $78.00 unit price and item 4 CA6 $9.00 unit price. A vote was answered aye by Kreher, Geppert, Hall, Weber, Klein and Hampton.

PARK
A bid was received from Amann Electric to install new electric service at Village Park for the pavilions for the amount of $3750 which does not include trenching. Trustee Weber noted they had problems last year with the electric during the homecoming, the electric service is old and needs to be brought up to date.

Trustee Geppert made a motion; seconded by Trustee Hampton to approve the bid from Amann Electric to install a new electric service at Village Park for $3750. A vote was answered aye by Kreher, Geppert, Hall, Weber, Klein and Hampton.

Trustee Hampton said he set up a committee meeting last week then decided it was not needed. Tyler talked with
Rick Range about the park. They do not want a roof over the batting cage. Ideas for the park grant are a new roof for the concession stand, rewire the electric and install a roof over the seating area. Tyler noted this year we have to send in two bids with the grant paperwork.

CEMETERY
Nothing new to report

PUBLIC SAFETY
Nothing new to report

POLICE
Lieutenant Buehler noted Dare graduation is Wednesday at 7 p.m. Officer Anderson turned in his resignation letter effective April 30th. In the last three weeks there have been 25 drug charges. Officer Wilson is applying for two felonies for the burglary at Machete’s and the smashed window in a vehicle at Ron’s One Stop. Lieutenant Buehler thanked Patti Michaels of Cencom for the expedient dispatching with the recent burglary.

Trustee Hall asked the status on the burglary of the auto parts store. Officer Wilson will talk to the states attorney.

PERSONNEL
It was discussed to rehire Gerald Badget to mow the cemetery and hire Ron Hampton III for general mowing.

Trustee Kreher made a motion; seconded by Trustee Hall to hire Gerald Badget to mow the cemetery and Ron Hampton III for general mowing. A vote was answered aye by Kreher, Geppert, Hall, Klein, Weber and Hampton.

GRANTS
The Resolution 2012-11 for the Park Grant Fund needs to be voted on.

Trustee Hampton made a motion; seconded by Trustee Weber to approve Resolution 2012-11 for the Park Grant Fund. A vote was answered aye by Kreher, Geppert, Hall, Weber, Klein and Hampton.

PUBLIC BUILDINGS
Tyler Liefer noted the medical building floor needs to be stripped and sealed. A sign needs to be posted in the multi-purpose center by the fire alarm that 911 must be called, the alarm only sounds in the building.

ORNIDANCE REVIEW
Trustee Kreher noted a committee meeting was held to discuss changing the residence requirement to allow full-time employees to maintain their place of residence within twelve driving miles from the New Athens city limits. Trustee Hall asked why the term radius was not used. Officer Wilson stated they have been getting away from using the term radius.

Trustee Weber made a motion; seconded by Trustee Hampton to approve changing the ordinance residence requirement to full-time employees shall maintain their place of residence within twelve driving miles from the New Athens city limits. A vote was answered aye by Kreher, Geppert, Hall, Klein, Weber and Hampton.

TREASURERS TIME
The treasurer’s report from March needs to be approved.

Trustee Geppert made a motion; seconded by Trustee Hampton to approve the monthly treasurer report for March. A vote was answered aye by Kreher, Geppert, Hall, Klein, Weber and Hampton.

Sandy Stolte noted the assessed values went down for 2012. The loan on the medical building is due. We have had the loan for 10 years. Sandy will shop local banks for a rate and try to pay off the balance in three years.

CLERKS TIME
Nothing new to report

MAYOR’s TIME
Nothing new to report

OTHER BUSINESS
Michelle noted Arties Recycling contacted her about holding electronic recycling events in the Village. There will be no cost to the Village. They would like to have these quarterly but it will depend on how the first one turns out. The board approved and Michelle to call Artie’s Recycling.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 8:31 p.m.

Gary Kearns
Village President

Michelle Neff
Village Clerk