7:30 p.m. The regular meeting of the Village Board of Trustees was called to order by Mayor Klein, who led the Pledge of Allegiance. A roll call was answered aye by Politsch, Hall, Weber, Hampton, Kreher, and Geppert. Sandy Stolte, Tyler Liefer, Attorney Ted Dennis, Jake Owens, Officer Wilson and Lieutenant Buehler were also present.

The audit committee reviewed the bills and had a question about the bill from Remote Access Television Services. Tyler Liefer said it was for videoing and repairing the storm sewer. Some of the videoing was from last year.

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

The board reviewed the minutes from the last meeting. A typo needs to be corrected on page 2.

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

VISITORS
Bill Rainey

Bill Rainey was present to ask about the status of the part-time applications for the police department. Mayor Klein said the applications are still being reviewed.

LOCAL IMPROVEMENTS
Nothing new to report

WATER & SEWER
Brandon Fritsche had a water leak on his side of the meter and is asking for sewer credit. Tyler Liefer witnessed the break and the water did not go into the sewer. Michelle noted they used 7000 gallons over their average.

Trustee Kreher made a motion; seconded by Trustee Hampton to approve the credit of $38.50 on the sewer portion of Brandon Fritsche’s water bill. A vote was answered aye by Politsch, Weber, Hampton, Hall, Kreher and Geppert.

Mayor Klein received a call from Tim Smith about the Class D Water Operator License needed for the Village. Tyler Liefer has questions regarding contracting somebody to do the water testing for the Village. Mayor Klein requested executive session at the end of the meeting to discuss finance and personnel.

Tyler Liefer noted the new meter reader is here, but the wand we have is too old to work with the new reader. It will cost $1600 for a new wand. The salesman thought we had a more current wand that would work with the new reader.

Trustee Weber made a motion; seconded by Trustee Geppert to approve the purchase of a new wand for $1600.00 for the meter reader. A vote was answered aye by Politsch, Weber, Hampton, Hall, and Geppert. Kreher voted nay.

STREETS & ALLEYS
Nothing new to report

CEMETERY
Nothing new to report

PARK
Nothing new to report

PUBLIC SAFETY
Jake Owens reviewed the contract for IPC with the board. The cost is $3600 per year for the electronic patient reporting program. Jake also reviewed the prices he got from the Apple Store and Best Buy for three iPad Airs, keyboards, and warranty. The warranties were discussed. The Apple Care warranty cost $99 with two separate claims costing $49 each. The devices come with a one year limited warranty from Apple. It was stated if The Geek Squad would have to repair them, they would send them off and it may take awhile until we get the repaired
IPads back.

Trustee Kreher made a motion; seconded by Trustee Hampton to approve to enter into the contract with IPCR for $3600 per year. A vote was answered aye by Politsch, Weber, Hampton, Hall, Kreher and Geppert.

Trustee Kreher made a motion; seconded by Trustee Geppert to approve purchasing three IPads, keyboards and Apple Care Warranty for a total price of $2,096.82. A vote was answered aye by Politsch, Weber, Hampton, Hall, Kreher and Geppert.

Jake Owens also said they need two AutoPulse batteries at a cost of $825.00 from Zoll for Li-ion batteries.

Trustee Geppert made a motion; seconded by Trustee Kreher to approve the purchase of two Li-ion batteries for the AutoPulse machine from Zoll for $825.00. A vote was answered aye by Politsch, Weber, Hampton, Hall, Kreher and Geppert.

Sandy Stolte noted CTS will be bringing a bid on Wednesday for a phone system and also video cameras.

Trustee Geppert noted we have one bid for a generator for Village Hall and she is waiting on other bids.

Trustee Geppert noted Lieutenant Buehler ordered two new mic's for the ESDA radios; the other ones disappeared.

POLICE

Lieutenant Buehler reported the audit for the circuit clerk’s office is done. The 56 calls have been removed from the Cencom bill. The grant money has been received from IPRF for the tazer gun that was ordered. Lieutenant Buehler and Tyler Liefer will be attending the Pipeline training February 20th. The rifle certification has been done correctly for the LESO program.

Mayor Klein noted Officer Wilson is requesting back pay for overtime worked and for K-9 handler. Attorney Dennis to review and make a recommendation. Trustee Hall asked Officer Wilson if we gave the dog to him to sell. Officer Wilson stated it was treated the same as the DJ equipment; what dog, that was the end of the discussion as he remembers it. Officer Wilson stated he still has the dog. Trustee Hall was thinking the dog was in lieu of some of the pay for handling the dog. Officer Wilson said we were going that route then it went to no dog, what dog.

Mayor Klein received a call regarding a resident’s son driving his 4-wheeler on the street to get to his clients to clean off driveways. Officer Wilson said 4-wheelers are not legal on streets and they would have to haul it on a trailer to the residence.

PERSONNEL

Nothing new to report.

GRANTS

Tyler Liefer noted the St. Clair County Grant Department said the survey for low income has to be redone by March.

PUBLIC BUILDINGS

Trustee Hall said Debbie spoke with him about the messes being left at the multi-purpose center. Trustee Weber said it’s not the people paying rent that are leaving the mess; it’s the ones using the hall for free. Trustee Weber said he usually cleans it up and that it has not been that bad.

ORDINANCE REVIEW

Sandy Stolte is working on what we can do instead of selling vehicle stickers. She is looking at the simplified telecommunications tax and will put a spreadsheet together with scenarios.

Trustee Kreher said he received a call about the property being a mess on North Benton Street. Lieutenant Buehler said warnings have been issued. Trustee Politsch noted the boards are coming off the top windows at 309 S Clinton Street. A letter is to be sent to the owner regarding an ordinance violation. Attorney Dennis said the house at 406 S East Street should be in the Villages name in March. The house at 211 N Benton Street received a 90 day warning and nothing has been done. A title search needs to be done before proceeding with getting it in the Village’s name. The abandoned house at 407 S East Street was also discussed.
Trustee Kreher made a motion; seconded by Trustee Politsch to authorize Attorney Dennis to proceed with title search on the abandoned house at 211 N Benton Street. A vote was answered aye by Politsch, Weber, Hampton, Hall, Kreher and Geppert.

Trustee Weber made a motion; seconded by Trustee Hall to authorize Attorney Dennis to proceed with the title search on the abandoned house at 407 S East Street. A vote was answered aye by Politsch, Weber, Hampton, Hall, Kreher and Geppert.

Attorney Dennis noted Bartels appeared in court and the fine will be set at the next court appearance. Muench received 9 tickets for his dog and did not appear in court. Attorney Dennis will pursue. Schlemmer paid the assessed fines.

**TREASURERS TIME**
Nothing new to report

**CLERKS TIME**
Nothing new to report

**MAYOR'S TIME**
Mayor Klein and Tyler Liefer will be attending the Kaskaskia Port District meeting February 26th. Mayor will pay Tyler’s fee.

**OTHER BUSINESS**
Sandy Stolte noted the Marina will pay half of their past due invoices with the first boat race this year and the balance with the second boat race to be held this year. They told Sandy it was July before they made any money last year.

Tyler spoke with Rhutasel regarding vacating a part of an unused portion of road on North Street. Rhutasel said if we are going to vacate that part of the road an easement going to the other property will be needed. The board was in consensus to leave as is.

Trustee Politsch inquired about getting a sign for Whitey Herzog for the entrance of town. The board discussed if any groups in town wanted to hold fund raisers to purchase the sign the board did not see a problem with it.

Trustee Geppert made a motion; seconded by Trustee Hampton to enter into executive session at 8:48 p.m. under finance and personnel with Sandy Stolte, Attorney Ted Dennis, and Tyler Liefer present. A vote was answered aye by Politsch, Weber, Hampton, Hall, Kreher and Geppert.

Trustee Kreher made a motion; seconded by Trustee Geppert to return to regular session at 9:16 p.m. A vote was answered aye by Politsch, Weber, Hampton, Hall, Kreher and Geppert.

It was discussed to continue using the water license as we have in the past.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 9:19 p.m.

Rich Klein Village President

Michelle Neff Village Clerk