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 Hampton, Weber, Hall, Politsch and Kreher. Geppert was absent. Sandy Stolte, Tyler Liefer, Jake Owens, Nancy Ritter, Attorney Dennis, and Chief Simburger were also present.

The audit committee reviewed the bills. Trustee Hall questioned the NAPA bill for oil at the sewer plant. Tyler Liefer said the oil only needs to be purchased every two years.

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

The minutes from the November 17th board meeting were reviewed. Trustee Politsch noted a correction under grants. Michelle to review the recording.

Trustee Weber made a motion; seconded by Trustee Politsch to approve the board minutes from November 17th with a correction under grants. A vote was answered aye by Weber, Politsch, and Hall. Hampton and Kreher voted present. Mayor Klein voted aye.

**VISITORS**
Mary Sue Iverson, Mark Schreder

**LOCAL IMPROVEMENTS**
Mayor Klein noted ESDA was on alert when the Ferguson riots broke out.

**WATER & SEWER**
Nothing new to report

**STREETS & ALLEYS**
Nothing new to report

**CEMETERY**
Nothing new to report

**PARK**
Trustee Politsch asked about the project at the park. Tyler said the eves will be closed in to keep the squirrels out and the electric wires will be in metal conduit.

**PUBLIC SAFETY**
The NIMS 300 and 400 classes are being offered in Redbud February and March 2015.

**POLICE**
Chief Simburger reported Beck Vocational School is looking for a used squad car to be used for classes. Chief quoted them a price of $1200, but have not heard back from them. Trustee Hall said he would be willing to take less for the car since it would be used for training. Chief will contact Beck Vocational School to see if they are still interested.

**PERSONNEL**
Chief Simburger said we should start to look at applications and discuss hiring part-time police. Trustee Weber will set up a committee meeting to review applications.

Nancy Ritter noted some of the EMT’s were questioning why they did not get paid for a call that was disregarded on scene and wants the board to make a decision on whether they get paid or not. Trustee Weber at first thought they should not get paid for these calls, but after discussing with Jake Owens he feels they should get paid when on scene and the call is disregarded. The board also discussed if in route and disregarded they will not get paid. The EMT’s still receive their on-call pay.

Trustee Kreher made a motion; seconded by Trustee Weber to approve to pay the EMT’s $25 run pay if they are on scene and the call gets disregarded, but if the call gets disregarded in route there will be no run pay. A vote was answered aye by Weber, Hampton, Politsch, Kreher and Hall.
Trustee Politsch asked Jake how the new IPCR system is working. Jake responded with “it is working as good as we can really expect it to”. Nancy asked when the reports will be filed electronically with Memorial Hospital. Jake said there is only one gateway built into the software to transmit the reports, which is being transmitted to Village Hall, and he is working with the company to get another gateway. Nancy asked if the trip sheets need to be turned in to Memorial within 24 hours. Jake said since we have a small amount of calls we have been issued a waiver and do not have to turn them in within 24 hours.

The board discussed to give the full-time employees a ham and a turkey and the part-time employees a turkey for Christmas. This is the same as last year. Trustee Kreher said we should also include Andy Contratto.

Trustee Kreher made a motion; seconded by Trustee Hall to approve the purchase of hams and turkeys for the full-time employees and turkeys for the part-time employees. A vote was answered aye by Weber, Hampton, Politsch, Kreher and Hall.

**Grants**
Trustee Politsch said in the paperwork he received for the previous dredging grant from 2005, he don’t see anything about the maintenance or the depth. Tyler Liefer showed Trustee Politsch where it was in the contract. Sandy Stolte reminded Politsch the Village board previously agreed to this contact. Tyler Liefer said the most it would cost to dredge would be $100,000 to $130,000, but would probably be cheaper if there is a dredging barge in the area. Sandy noted she put together a binder regarding the river and the Army Corp. of Engineers 25 year strategic plan of the port district and recommends the trustees read it to become familiar with the plan of the river.

**Public Buildings**
Tyler Liefer ordered an element for the oven at the multi-purpose center.

**Ordinance Review**
Nothing new to report.

**Treasurers Time**
Nothing new to report.

**Clerks Time**
Nothing new to report.

**Mayor’s Time**
Nothing new to report.

**Other Business**
Tyler Liefer reported he was driving the back hoe and backed into a vehicle on November 24th skimming the hood. An estimate was received for $1,528.20. Michelle noted per the ordinance Tyler was sent for drug testing. The owners’ dad called and said there may be transmission problems, had a bulb replace in the headlight and they will need a rental vehicle while this one gets repaired. Michelle checked with the Villages insurance and there is no liability deductible. It was discussed if should turn into insurance or the Village just to pay it. Trustee Kreher wants to know how many days it will take to get repaired. Michelle to find out and ask our insurance if we turn this in will it increase our rates. Attorney Dennis thought it would be best to turn into the insurance.

Michelle noted the renewal premium for the Village’s insurance is $112,361, if we raise our sewer back up deductible to $2,500 our rate would be $110,480, the difference of $1,881. Our current rate is $105,634. Property and contents values are up 9.9% and equipment values are up 14.8% from last year. Gallagher is also recommending the Village purchase cyber liability insurance for $2,500.

Trustee Kreher made a motion; seconded by Trustee Hall to approve the renewal of the Village’s insurance for $112,361. A vote was answered aye by Weber, Hampton, Politsch, Kreher and Hall.

Tyler Liefer noted 4 tires are needed for the leaf vac truck costing $696.72.

Trustee Hall made a motion; seconded by Trustee Kreher to approve the purchase of 4 new tires for the leaf vac truck for $696.72. A vote was answered aye by Weber, Hampton, Politsch, Kreher and Hall.

Tyler Liefer noted 1 tire is needed for the F350 truck costing $171.45.
Trustee Kreher made a motion; seconded by Trustee Weber to approve the purchase of 1 new tire for the F350 truck for $171.45. A vote was answered aye by Weber, Hampton, Politsch, Kreher and Hall.

Tyler Liefer noted 2 tires are needed for the Chevy 3500 truck costing $244.16.

Trustee Kreher made a motion; seconded by Trustee Hall to approve the purchase of 2 new tires for the Chevy 3500 truck for $244.16. A vote was answered aye by Weber, Hampton, Politsch, Kreher and Hall.

Trustee Hall made a motion; seconded by Trustee Kreher to enter into executive session at 8:36 p.m. under personnel with Attorney Dennis, Sandy Stolte and Chief Simburger present. A vote was answered aye by Weber, Hampton, Politsch, Kreher and Hall.

Trustee Kreher made a motion; seconded by Trustee Hall to return to regular session at 8:51 p.m. A vote was answered aye by Weber, Hampton, Politsch, Kreher and Hall.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 8:51 p.m.

Rich Klein Mayor

Michelle Neff Village Clerk