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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, Weber, Main, Hall and Hampton. Geppert was absent. Sandy Stolte, Tyler Liefer, Chief Simburger and Attorney Dennis were also present.

The minutes from the July 5th board meeting were reviewed.

Trustee Weber made a motion; seconded by Trustee Hampton to approve the board minutes from the July 5th board meeting. A vote was answered aye by Politsch, Weber, Main, Hall and Hampton.

VISITORS
Andrew Camargo, Geoff and Mary Sue Iverson, Lindsey Middendorf, Tammy Heinecke, Stephanie Heinecke, James Wann, Shelley Fizer and Mark Schreder

Geoff and Mary Sue Iverson introduced their grandson AJ Camargo to the trustees. He was in town on leave from the naval academy.

James Wann, Lindsey Middendorf, Tammy Heinecke, Stephanie Heinecke were present to discuss the beautify New Athens project. James said he has scheduled a benefit July 23rd where his band will be playing for donations. Lindsey is working on a poker run benefit for October 1st which includes bikes, golf carts, utv’s and lawn mowers. All monies collected are for the beautify New Athens project. The first project planned is for a new sign for the entrance of town for business signs and banners. Lindsey will bring a poker run route map to the Village board. Attorney Dennis will draw up a waiver to use at the poker run.

Shelley Fizer was present regarding the tree in the alley across from her house. She is concerned it will fall on her house, garage and property. She spoke with the property owners and they said it’s not their tree. Tyler said he measured the right a way and said it’s questionable if the tree is the Village’s or not. Tyler received a bid from Deterding for $1,080 to take down the tree and said it would cost more than that to have a survey done. Attorney Dennis said to have the property owners sign a document regarding the Village having the tree taken down. Trustee Hall and Trustee Hampton are concerned about starting something with taking a tree down when we don’t know that it is the Village tree. Put on the next agenda to be voted on.

LOCAL IMPROVEMENTS
Nothing new to report

WATER & SEWER
Tyler Liefer noted the lift station project started today.

STREETS & ALLEYS
Tyler Liefer received a quote to repair the water line trench on Van Buren Street. The quote was in excess of $10,000. Tyler thought it would be more
beneficial to oil and chip this year, then fix with asphalt in two years when Van Buren Street will be replaced.

**PARK**
Nothing new to report

**CEMETERY**
Nothing new to report

**PUBLIC SAFETY**
Mayor Klein read a letter from Geoff Iverson with ESDA regarding the power outage throughout town and the situation the nursing home was in due to the recent storm and power outage. Geoff thanked St. Clair County ESDA, Ameren, New Athens Fire Department, New Athens EMS and the New Athens School District for their combined efforts to avoid the evacuation of the nursing home.

The Village barricades were discussed. Tyler Liefer to get pricing for purchasing new barricades verses material to make them, since the barricades the Village has are old and need to be marked better.

Trustee Politsch was concerned about the residents of Rickert Station with the recent power outage. Politsch reported some stayed with family or friends who had power and luckily the power came back on earlier than Ameren previously informed the Village.

**POLICE**
Chief Simburger said homecoming weekend went well.

**PERSONNEL**
Resolution 2016-03 employee wages needs to be voted on. This resolution updates the wages approved during the last board meeting.

Trustee Weber made a motion; seconded by Trustee Main to approve Resolution 2016-03 for employee wages. A vote was answered aye by Politsch, Weber, Main, Hall and Hampton.

**GRANTS**
Nothing new to report

**PUBLIC BUILDINGS**
Trustee Hampton reminded the committee they will meet July 20th at 7 p.m. to discuss the medical building.

**ORDINANCE REVIEW**
Attorney Dennis presented Ordinance 2016-04 zoning parcels on Oakridge Road as previously approved on by the board.

Trustee Hampton made a motion; seconded by Trustee Main to approve Ordinance 2016-04 zoning parcels on Oakridge Road as previously approved by the board.
A vote was answered aye by Politsch, Weber, Main, Hall and Hampton.

**TREASURERS TIME**
Sandy Stolte previously gave the board the monthly treasurer’s report.

Trustee Weber made a motion; seconded by Trustee Hall to approve the monthly treasurer’s report. A vote was answered aye by Politsch, Weber, Main, Hall and Hampton.

**CLERKS TIME**
Nothing new to report

**MAYOR’s TIME**
Mayor Klein thanked public works for all the work getting the town ready for the homecoming and the police for working the homecoming. Mayor Klein also said what a good job Trustee Weber does organizing the homecoming.

**OTHER BUSINESS**
During the recent power outage it was found out the generator at the multi-purpose center does not run the air conditioner, it only ran lights in the front of the building.

Attorney Dennis noted the sale of the multi-purpose center will be in the Freeburg Tribune this week with bid opening September 6th.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 8:13 p.m.

Michelle Neff Village Clerk
Richard Klein Village President