7:30 p.m. The regular board meeting of the Village Board of Trustees was called to order by Mayor Klein. A roll call was answered aye by Geppert, Wilson, Newbold, Hamon and Boden in person. Sandy Stolte, Tyler Liefer, Attorney Dennis and Chief Simburger was present in person and Andrew Green was present via telephone conference call.

The board reviewed the minutes from the June 1, 2020 board meeting. Trustee Geppert noted some corrections.

A motion was made by Hamon; seconded by Geppert, to approve the board minutes with the corrections noted. A vote was answered aye by Wilson, Newbold, Boden, Hamon and Geppert.

**VISITORS**
Kyle Wetzel, Jeff Wetzel and Debby Politsch were present via telephone conference call.

Kyle Wetzel asked for an update on the property they are interested in acquiring. Attorney Dennis stated the property in the industrial park and the property behind the industrial park are handled differently. Attorney Dennis will meet with Tyler to view the property, so he knows what property is being talked about.

**FINANCE & AUDIT**
Nothing to report at this time.

**WATER & SEWER**
Nothing to report at this time.

**STREETS & ALLEYS**
Tyler Liefer reported the Resolution 2020-04 to commit local funds needs to be approved. A hearing was held prior to the board meeting to discuss the rebuild Illinois competitive public infrastructure grant that is being applied for to resurface Spotsylvania Street. The Village will commit $50,000 of Motor Fuel Tax Funds to use in conjunction with the grant.

A motion was made by Boden; seconded by Newbold, to approve Resolution 2020-04 committing local funds of $50,000 for use in conjunction with a rebuild Illinois public infrastructure grant and to allow the mayor to sign any and all documents pertaining to the grant. A vote was answered aye by Wilson, Newbold, Boden, Hamon and Geppert.

Debby Politsch commented that she was glad the Village is moving forward with this and said it sounds like it is going to be a great opportunity and would like to make sure to thank Ed Cockrell for his help in bringing it to your attention and working with you all to get this information.

**CEMETERY**
Nothing new to report at this time.

**PUBLIC PROPERTY & PARK**
Trustee Newbold noted we are waiting to hear from the pharmacist regarding the medical center rental and the layout he requires.

**PUBLIC SAFETY & ADA**
Trustee Geppert reported there is a Black Lives Matter protest scheduled Saturday June 20th at 10 a.m. in front of the Village Hall.

Trustee Geppert said the 2005 ambulance needs to be classified as surplus property before selling it.
Trustee Geppert made a motion, seconded by Boden to classify the 2005 ambulance as surplus property of the Village of New Athens and accept sealed bids until July 1, 2020 at 10 a.m. when the bids will be opened at the Village Hall. A vote was answered aye by Wilson, Newbold, Boden, Hamon and Geppert.

Trustee Ruhmann arrived at 7:38 p.m.

Trustee Geppert reported the 1995 ambulance has an appointment with Schneider’s to change the oil and get the seat belt fixed.

Andrew Green reported Belleville Memorial Hospital worked out a deal with ESO for all the ambulances in the region to have the same patient care reporting. We currently use ESO for our ambulance billing, so we will not have to change the way we do things. The first year is free, following years will be $1,026.86 per year. That is about half of what we previously paid. The reports will be able to be shared with hospitals in the region.

A motion was made by Geppert: seconded by Hamon to approve Mayor Klein sign the agreement for New Athens EMS and Belleville Memorial ESO. A vote was answered aye by Wilson, Newbold, Boden, Hamon, Ruhmann and Geppert.

**POLICE**

Chief Simburger noted he added general order 2.12 for juvenile investigations, interrogations and arrests to update their policy manual.

Chief Simburger reported for the protest, he has two or three troopers coming to assist and is waiting on a call from county to see how many officers they will send. Chief said a few of the New Athens officers will also be here.

Chief Simburger reported he was in a minor fender bender the evening of June 2nd at 159 and White Oak. The 17-year-old driver hit the police vehicle on the front driver's side. Chief got an estimate from Freeburg Auto Body for $949 and the parents are supposed to pay out of pocket for the repairs. Illinois State Police handled the accident.

**PERSONNEL**

Tyler Liefer reported Savannah put in her notice as she got another job for what she went to college for, so now Tyler needs another mower. Tyler recommended hiring Deric Maurer whom worked for us in the past.

A motion was made by Hamon: seconded by Ruhmann to approve hiring Deric Maurer for part-time public works. A vote was answered aye by Wilson, Newbold, Boden, Hamon, Ruhmann and Geppert.

Trustee Geppert recommended hiring Mathew Sitton for part-time EMT, background check came back good.

A motion was made by Geppert: seconded by Hamon to approve hiring Mathew Sitton for part-time EMT. A vote was answered aye by Wilson, Newbold, Boden, Hamon, Ruhmann and Geppert.

Trustee Geppert said Josh Dietz is working on updating the EMT roster.

**IMPROVEMENTS & GRANTS**

Tyler Liefer explained the final payout is due to KRB Excavating as well as they had two change orders totaling $9,232.50. The first change order was $2,963.50 for the sidewalk drainage job and the second change order of $6,269.00 was for additional storm sewer work due to pipes in the job area. This was work done on Van Buren
Tyler Liefer stated he needs a toolbox for the F-150 truck. He can purchase a new one for $279 but said Andy Bergman may have a used one for sale. If Andy still has the toolbox, Tyler said he will get that one, if not he will have to buy a new toolbox.

Tyler Liefer said the hydrostat went out on the Kubota tractor and will cost $7,000 to repair. Just for reference a new mower would cost $22,000. Tyler said otherwise the tractor is in good shape and suggested getting it fixed. Tyler to find out what kind of warranty will be on the repair.

A motion was made by Hamon: seconded by Geppert to approve Tyler to purchase a toolbox costing up to $300. A vote was answered aye by Wilson, Newbold, Boden, Hamon, Ruhmann and Geppert.

Tyler Liefer said last week the backhoe broke down and there is oil in the antifreeze. The
backhoe is at H & M Heavy Equipment and Tyler is waiting to hear what is wrong with it.

Attorney Dennis said on the three properties the village is trying to take over and cleanup, the notices have been put in the paper. One of the property owners on East Street called and said she will deed it over to the Village. Attorney Dennis said he needs to find out how much back taxes are owed.

Attorney Dennis reported on the Marina and said we now have a court date July 2nd to file our motions and we will be asking for all the money owed. If Ervin Smith is going to continue to jack us around over and over, we will see what we can get out of him.

A motion was made by Hamon: seconded by Geppert to enter executive session at 8:06 p.m. for personnel with Attorney Dennis and Chief Simburger present. A vote was answered aye by Wilson, Newbold, Boden, Hamon, Ruhmann and Geppert.

A motion was made by Geppert: seconded by Hamon to return to regular session at 8:11 p.m. A vote was answered aye by Wilson, Newbold, Boden, Hamon, Ruhmann and Geppert.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 8:11 p.m.

Michelle Neff
Village Clerk

Richard Klein
Village President