

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE PRESIDENT
AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES
VILLAGE OF STOCKTON
JO DAVIESS COUNTY, ILLINOIS
February 11, 2014**

Call To Order:

President Brandt called the meeting to order on February 11, 2014 at 7:30 p.m. and asked the clerk to call the roll.

Members in Attendance:

Trustees: Rich Curtiss, Linda Gonnerman, Dan Kunz, Jackie Lickes, Scott Noller and Kevin Stewart. Others present: S. Rice, D. Luke, D. Roberts, K. Olson, I. Logemann, A. Haas, L. Trost, D. Bradley, and S. Young.

Approval of Agenda:

A motion was made by Stewart and seconded by Lickes to approve the agenda. All members voting aye. Motion passes.

Approval of Minutes:

President Brandt asked if there were any additions or corrections to the minutes of the regular meeting of January 14, 2014. Kunz moved and Stewart seconded to approve the minutes as presented. All members voting aye. Motion passes.

Treasurers Reports:

President Brandt asked for approval of the Treasurers Report as submitted by Treasurer Diane Bradley. A motion was made by Lickes and seconded by Stewart to approve the Treasurers report as submitted. Voting aye: Curtiss, Gonnerman, Kunz, Lickes, Noller, Stewart. Motion passes.

Accounts Payable:

When the accounts payable were presented the clerk asked permission to include the nine additional bills as shown on the list provided totaling \$3,244.95. Making the total amount for payment \$69,438.80. Stewart moved and Kunz seconded to authorize the accounts payable claims including List B and additional invoices as presented. Voting aye: Gonnerman, Kunz, Lickes, Noller, Stewart, Curtiss. Motion passes.

Police:

A motion was made by Stewart and seconded by Curtiss to approve the Police Report for the month as submitted by Chief Trost. All members voting aye. Motion passes.

Officer Don Powers was awarded a plaque of Public Service by President Brandt and Chief LaDon Trost in recognition of his endless hours of service to the homeless and mentally challenged residents of the Village.

Water & Sewer:

A motion was made by Kunz and seconded by Lickes to approve the Water Report as submitted by Dale Roberts and the Sewer Report as submitted by Don Luke for the month. All members voting aye. Motion passes

Street:

A motion was made by Lickes and seconded by Curtiss to approve the Street Department Activity Report for the month as submitted by Kari Olson. All members voting aye. Motion passes.

A special thanks was given to all Public Works Employees and Police for their extra efforts this past winter in keeping the streets clear.

Public Comments: None

MSA:

Nick Wagner, from MSA, report that they will be working on preparing cost estimates for the Village for the water main repairs under highway 78.

Community Funding & Planning Services: No report.

Unfinished Business:

Probation – Patridge:

A motion was made by Stewart and seconded by Noller to approve the completion of Sean Patridge’s 90-day probation period. All members voting aye. Motion passes.

Terms of Employment:

A motion was made by Stewart and seconded by Lickes to approve the terms of employment for Cole Vanderheyden as part-time police officer. Voting aye: Lickes, Noller, Stewart, Curtiss, Gonnerman, Kunz. Motion passes.

New Business:

“Class B” Liquor License Request:

President Brandt announced a request has been received for a “Class B” liquor license from the Stockton Fire Department to sell alcohol at the Bags Tournament, February 22, 2014. The required paperwork and proof of dram shop are in order. Stewart moved and Curtiss seconded to approve the “Class B” liquor license for the Stockton Fire Department. Voting aye: Noller, Stewart, Curtiss, Gonnerman, Kunz, Lickes. Motion passes.

FY 2013/2014 Audit:

President Brandt noted everyone received a copy of the engagement letter from Wipfli to conduct the FY 2013/2014 audit for \$8,400. Lickes moved and Kunz seconded to hire

Wipfli to conduct the annual audit. Voting aye: Stewart, Curtiss, Gonnerman, Kunz, Lickes, Noller. Motion passes.

Committee Reports:

Personnel:

Trustee Lickes stated the committee met on January 16th to discuss the probation and terms of employment which was approved previously.

Water, Sewer & Garbage:

Trustee Kunz reported the committee met prior to the board meeting tonight.

The committee reviewed requests received by Mel Heidenreich and FHN to adjust their water bills received for their vacant properties that had incurred frozen water pipes which had burst. Kunz moved and Lickes seconded to have them each pay for the water usage and adjust the sewer rate to a minimum billing charge. Voting aye: Gonnerman, Kunz, Lickes, Noller, Stewart, Curtiss. Motion passes.

Kunz also noted the committee met with Norma Jean Hasken who is asking for assistance from the Village for charges she incurred from a frozen water pipe and meter which was repaired by Molitor Plumbing. Trustees Stewart and Noller both felt that we need to follow up with Molitor Plumbing regarding the charges incurred by Ms. Hasken. Following discussion a motion was made by Kunz and seconded by Noller to pay Ms. Hasken \$156 for 2 hours labor she incurred on the bill. Voting aye: Kunz, Lickes, Noller, Stewart, Curtiss, Gonnerman. Motion passes.

The board discussed this winter's extreme weather conditions and how it is causing frozen pipes in homes of residents. Noller moved and Curtiss seconded to advise residents to leave their water run and have them contact Village Hall so adjustments can be made. Voting aye: Lickes, Noller, Stewart, Curtiss, Gonnerman, Kunz. Motion passes.

A committee meeting was scheduled for February 18, 2014 at 6:30 p.m.

Streets, Sidewalks, Forestry, Building & Grounds:

Trustee Curtiss reported the committee met on January 30th with Jim Nadig to discuss water run off along the south side of Stockton Hardware along the alley. Following discussion it was decided more investigation will be needed to address the water run-off problem.

Also discussed was the summer street work projects and a list of streets and alleys will be put together by Kari Olson.

Economic Development/Subdivision:

Trustee Noller reported that the Village hosted a community informational meeting on January 23, 2014 for property owners and businesses in the TIF district. The meeting

was attended by approximately 25 people. He noted that he felt the meeting went well and there was good feedback on items they feel need to be addressed by the Village Board.

The committee also met on February 4th with Dan Rhyner to discuss the 2016 IDOT realignment project of Hwy 20 west regarding the proposed frontage road and turn lane. Rhyner is asking for Village assistance with the cost of a turn lane. No decision was made.

Noller reported that Stockton has enlisted the help of the “MAPPING the future of your Community Program” through the Illinois Institute for Rural Affairs at Western Illinois University. The five planning sessions have been scheduled for April 14, 21, 28, May 5, and 12th from 6-9 p.m. at Holy Cross Parish Center.

The final item discussed was the need to schedule a meeting with Village Attorney Paja to discuss the status of the Carpenter Street trailer park.

A Committee meeting was scheduled for February 20th at 7:00 p.m.

Police:

Trustee Stewart reported the next Teamsters Union negotiation meeting is tentatively scheduled for February 20th.

Finance and Purchasing:

Trustee Gonnerman asked the board to think of possible dates and times for holding budgets meetings which need to begin shortly.

Executive Session:

A motion was made by Stewart and seconded by Lickes to go into Executive session for the purpose of discussing Personnel, Section 2 (c) (1) and Purchase or lease of Real Estate – Section 2 (c) (6) at 8:35 p.m. Voting aye: Curtiss, Gonnerman, Kunz, Lickes, Noller, Stewart. Motion passes.

The board returned to open session at 9:05 p.m. following a motion by Noller and seconded by Stewart. Voting aye: Gonnerman, Kunz, Lickes, Noller, Stewart, Curtiss. Motion passes.

Adjournment:

A motion was made by Stewart and seconded by Kunz that the meeting be adjourned at 9:05 p.m. All members voting aye. The motion carried.

APPROVED

ATTEST
