

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE PRESIDENT
AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES
VILLAGE OF STOCKTON
JO DAVIESS COUNTY, ILLINOIS
October 10, 2017**

Call To Order:

President Brandt called the meeting to order on October 10, 2017 at 7:30 p.m. and asked the clerk to call roll.

Members in Attendance:

Trustees: Rich Curtiss, Linda Gonnerman, David Julius, Dan Kunz, Jackie Lickes and Kevin Stewart. Staff present: D. Luke, S. Rice, A. Haas, D. Bradley and S. Young.

Approval of Agenda:

A motion was made by Stewart and seconded by Curtiss to approve the agenda. President Brandt noted the only change is that Mike Mudge of Rock River Energy will follow Steve Jordan, from Wipfli, who is presenting the audit report. All members voting aye. Motion carried.

Approval of Minutes:

President Brandt asked if there were any additions or corrections to the minutes of the regular meeting of September 12, 2017. Kunz moved and Stewart seconded to approve the minutes as presented. All members voting aye. Motion carried.

Treasurers Report:

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

Accounts Payable:

President Brandt asked for approval to authorize payment of claims and List B as submitted. Clerk Young asked permission to add 4 additional invoices totaling \$3,366.40. Curtiss moved and Stewart seconded to authorize the payment of accounts payable claims, list B, and the additional invoices totaling \$3,366.40. Voting aye: Gonnerman, Julius, Kunz, Lickes, Stewart, Curtiss. Motion carried.

Police:

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

Water & Sewer:

A motion was made by Lickes and seconded by Gonnerman to approve the Water and Sewer Reports as submitted by Kari Olson and Don Luke. All members voting aye. Motion carried.

Street:

A motion was made by Kunz and seconded by Lickes to approve the Street Department Activity Report for the month as submitted by Steve Rice. All members voting aye. Motion carried. It was noted they are working getting the leaf vac ready to begin leaf pickup along Village streets.

Public Comments:

None

Audit:

Steve Jordan of WIFPLI presented the 2016/2017 Fiscal Year Audit. Jordan handed out a sheet giving an explanation of the audit process from beginning to end. Jordan went through the financial report provided and explained various items and recommended the board take the time to review it.

Gonnerman moved and Kunz seconded to approve the audit as presented by Steve Jordan of Wipfli. Voting aye: Julius, Kunz, Lickes, Stewart, Curtiss, Gonnerman. Motion carried.

Electric Contract Renewal for the Village's Water/Sewer Pumping accounts:

Mike Mudge, Rock River Energy, was in attendance and stated that the electric contract for the Village's water/sewer pumping accounts is coming up for renewal in December 2017. Rock River Energy submitted a bid comparison with renewal pricing for 8 suppliers for 1, 2, & 3 year terms. Constellation was the low bidder at .05241 per kWh for 36 months. The recommendation from Rock River Energy is to lock the price in for 3 years. Stewart moved and Lickes seconded to choose Constellation as the energy supplier for the Village's water & sewer pumping accounts for the next 3 years. Voting aye: Kunz, Lickes, Stewart, Curtiss, Gonnerman, Julius. Motion carried.

Committee Reports:

Water, Sewer & Garbage:

Trustee Curtiss reported they met with Randy & Abby Zink of 237 S. Hudson Street whose property was annexed into the Village in 2006. They currently have a septic system but would like to hook up to the Village's sanitary sewer system. Various options were reviewed by MSA, one being to install a grinder station and force main. An estimate was submitted by Mike's Plumbing Solution for \$4,191.38. Curtiss moved and Stewart seconded to approve to reimburse Randy & Abby Zink no more than 50% of the estimate or \$2,095.65 to construct that option. Voting aye: Lickes, Stewart, Curtiss, Gonnerman, Julius, Kunz. Motion carried.

Curtiss also noted MSA and the board continue discussion of the Sewer Plant expansion.

Streets, Sidewalks, Forestry, Building & Grounds:

Trustee Kunz reported they reviewed the invoices submitted by Terry Schlichting, Wards Grove Road Commissioner, for ditching work done by Shane Townsend on the Village's

portion of Curtiss Road following the rain event in July 2017. It was also noted that future repairs need to be discussed prior to work being done. Kunz moved and Curtiss seconded to approve the payment of \$5,206. Voting aye Stewart, Curtiss, Gonnerman, Julius, Kunz, Lickes. Motion carried.

Police:

No Report

Finance & Purchasing:

No Report

Personnel:

No Report

Economic Development:

Main Street Parties TIF Reimbursement

Trustee Lickes stated we received a TIF request from George & Sherryl Dombeck for interior improvements made to their property at 113 S. Main. Lickes noted eligible expenses totaled \$9,966.66. Lickes moved and Kunz seconded to approve a one-time reimbursement of 25% or \$2,491. Voting aye: Gonnerman, Julius, Kunz, Lickes, Stewart. Abstain: Curtiss. Motion carried.

Unfinished Business:

Wampfler Zoning Variance Hearing:

President Brandt stated at the September meeting the Village board postponed action on a request from Kayla Wampfler wanting a variance from the existing setback regulation to build a fence along her property located at 202 N. Park Street. Steve Rice, Zoning Administrator, recommended to allow the variance along the south side of the property but require that it be placed two (2) feet from the property line along the west side which is per ordinance.

Kunz moved and Lickes seconded to allow the variance on the south side of the property for the fence. Voting aye: Gonnerman, Julius, Kunz, Lickes, Stewart, Curtiss. Motion carried.

New Business:

Ordinance No. 642 – Tax Levy:

President Brandt stated the board members each received an explanation sheet and copy of Ordinance No. 642 entitled, “An Ordinance for the Levy and Assessment of Taxes for the Fiscal Year May 1, 2017 and ending April 30, 2018”. It was asked if there were any questions or comments. A motion was made by Curtiss and seconded by Julius to pass the ordinance as provided. Voting aye: Julius, Kunz, Lickes, Stewart, Curtiss, Gonnerman. Motion carried.

Ordinance No. 643 Tax Abatement:

President Brandt stated Ordinance No. 643 entitled “An Ordinance abating the tax heretofore levied for the year 2017 to pay the General Obligation Refunding Bonds (Alternate Revenue Source), Series 2013, of the Village of Stockton, Jo Daviess County, Illinois”, is to notify the County Clerk that it is not necessary to levy taxes to cover the payments that are due on the sewer plant bond. Kunz moved and Stewart seconded to pass Ordinance No. 643 as presented. Voting aye: Kunz, Lickes, Stewart, Curtiss, Gonnerman, Julius. Motion carried.

2017 MFT Street Maintenance:

Clerk Young stated the final construction cost of the 2017 MFT Project was \$53,035.48 which includes the change order for the deduct amount of \$4,458.44.

Lickes moved and Stewart seconded to approve the deduct change order in the amount of \$4,458.44 from Civil. Voting aye: Lickes, Stewart, Curtiss, Gonnerman, Julius, Kunz. Motion carried.

Stewart moved and Lickes seconded to approve the seal coat payment of \$53,035.48 to Civil Constructors. Voting aye: Stewart, Curtiss, Gonnerman, Julius, Kunz, Lickes. Motion carried.

Unpaid Water Bill:

President Brandt stated we previously recorded a lien claim against the property located at 124 S. Stockton Street for the unpaid water/utility bill of \$143.45. The owner died in 2016 and there are no heirs. Kunz moved and Stewart seconded to write off this \$143.45 water bill. Voting aye: Curtiss, Gonnerman, Julius, Kunz, Lickes, Stewart. Motion carried.

Village Credit Card:

Stewart moved and Gonnerman seconded to approve a village credit card for Officer Christian Schock. Voting aye: Gonnerman, Julius, Kunz, Lickes, Stewart, Curtiss. Motion carried.

Adjournment:

A motion was made by Stewart and seconded by Lickes that the meeting be adjourned at 8:40 p.m. All members voting aye; the motion carried.

APPROVED

ATTEST