

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE PRESIDENT
AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES
VILLAGE OF STOCKTON
JO DAVIESS COUNTY, ILLINOIS
July 12, 2011**

ROLL CALL

President Brandt called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. and asked the Clerk to call the roll. The following responded:

Rich Curtiss, Jackie Lickes, Howard Rowe, Kevin Stewart and Tim Zueger. Absent: Dan Kunz. Also present were Steve Rice, Doug Wierema, Dale Roberts, Irene Logemann, Lillian Townsend and Sally Fischer.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A motion was made by Rowe and seconded by Lickes to approve the agenda. All members present voting aye; the motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

President Brandt asked if there were any additions or corrections to the minutes of the regular meeting of June 14, 2011. Hearing none, he asked for approval. A motion was made by Zueger and seconded by Rowe to approve the minutes of June 14, 2011. All members present voting aye; the motion carried.

TREASURERS REPORT

President Brandt asked for approval of the Treasurers Report as submitted by Treasurer Sally Fischer. A motion was made by Rowe and seconded by Zueger to approve the June Treasurers Report. Voting aye: Curtiss, Zueger, Lickes, Rowe, Stewart. Absent; Kunz. Voting nay; none. Motion carried.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

When the bills were presented, the Clerk asked permission to add two bills, from Mullen Tree Care for \$500 and from Jo Daviess County Radio Patrol for \$180. A motion was made by Zueger and seconded by Rowe to authorize the payment of claims on List A & B as well as the additional bills as noted. Voting aye: Lickes, Rowe, Stewart, Curtiss, Zueger. Absent; Kunz. Voting nay; none. Motion carried.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

POLICE

A motion was made by Zueger and seconded by Lickes to approve the Police Report for the month of June as submitted by Chief Wierema. All members present voting aye; the motion carried. President Brandt noted the letter of appreciation received from Sheriff Kevin Turner recognizing part-time officer Brad Curtiss professionalism and dedication to duty for an incident on December 6, 2010.

WATER & SEWER

A motion was made by Rowe and seconded by Zueger to approve the Water Report as submitted by Dale Roberts and the Sewer Report as submitted by Don Luke for the month. All members present voting aye; the motion carried.

STREET

A motion was made by Zueger and seconded by Lickes to approve the Street Department Activity Report for the month of June as submitted by JR Gardner. All members present voting aye; the motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Judy Dascher stated she lives in trailer #31 at 410 S. Simmons Street. The trailer next to her, #32 has been empty for some time and the grass is not being mowed and the skirting has pulled away from the trailer by winds. She has contacted the owner of the trailer park in California but nothing has been done by her or the on site manager. It was decided that the Police department will investigate and issue citations to the owner if needed.

STATUS REPORTS

MSA

Marty Beranek, from MSA, presented the status report for the month.

Phase 2 Sanitary Sewer Rehabilitation

Dennis Plattenberger and Steve Rice are coordinating the re-inspections of private residences sanitary waste plumbing with previously identified discrepancies.

Sanitary Sewer System CMOM

A final copy of the CMOM was reviewed with the Water & Sewer Committee on June 29, and the plan was then submitted to IEPA on June 30, 2011.

Bidding for the Water Main Replacement Project

The schedule of activities associated with project bidding was determined with the Water & Sewer committee and bid opening is scheduled for August 22, 2011.

COMMUNITY FUNDING & PLANNING SERVICES

Sharon Pepin from Community Funding & Planning Services presented her report for the month.

Water Main Improvement Project

The Village is in the process of securing funding for the project and on the agenda is the loan ordinance that has been reviewed by Attorney Paja and Attorney Vera Herst at IEPA. The Village has been approved for an IEPA loan that is a 25% forgivable loan on project costs and the interest rate is 1.25% over 20 years and we should be closing on it the end of September. The Village also has applied for a \$350,000 CDAP grant and award notification is anticipated in August. By securing both the IEPA forgivable loan and the CDAP grant, the Village is securing approximately \$600,000 in grant funds towards the project.

Committee Reports

WATER & SEWER

Trustee Curtiss reported on the June 29th committee meeting. The water main replacement project, the proposed project timeframe reviewed as noted previously, along with the CMOM review were discussed.

Soft Start

Also discussed was the upgrade of the spare soft start. A motion was made by Curtiss and seconded by Rowe to have our spare soft start be refurbished for \$3,800 and then we will have a backup for all three wells. Voting aye: Curtiss, Lickes, Rowe, Stewart, Zueger. Absent: Kunz. Voting nay: none. Motion carried.

Door & window replacement

Curtiss stated we received three bids to replace a door on the water tower, door at well # 6 and window at well #4. The following bids were received.

- 1) B & J Construction - \$2,512.35
- 2) NCI - \$2,722.03
- 3) Timpe Construction - \$1,406.99

A motion made by Curtiss and seconded by Zueger to accept the bid from Timpe Construction for \$1,406.99. Voting aye: Lickes, Rowe, Stewart, Zueger, Curtiss. Absent: Kunz. Voting nay: none. Motion carried.

ORDINANCE No. 549

President Brandt noted that all board members received a copy of Ordinance # 549 “An Ordinance Authorizing the Village of Stockton to borrow funds from the public water supply loan program”. This ordinance gives us the authority to borrow from IEPA and to proceed with the water main replacement project. A motion was made by Zueger and seconded by Curtiss to pass Ordinance #549 as presented. Voting aye: Lickes, Rowe, Stewart, Zueger, Curtiss. Absent: Kunz. Voting nay: none. Motion carried.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Resolution No. 11-04 – A Resolution of the Village of Stockton, JoDaviess County, Illinois, to induce the Redevelopment of certain property within a proposed Tax Increment Financing Redevelopment Project Area.

President Brandt noted that everyone received a copy of the Inducement Resolution #11-04 for a property located in the TIF District. The property is being sold and the new owners are intending to make renovations and looking for possible TIF assistance. A motion was made by Rowe and seconded by Stewart to pass the Inducement Resolution #11-04 as presented. Voting aye: Rowe, Stewart, Zueger, Lickes. Abstain: Curtiss. Absent: Kunz. Voting nay: none. Motion carried.

STREETS

Trustee Stewart reported on the meeting of June 28th. The committee looked at a couple of areas in town with water runoff problems. The first request was from John & Mary Ferguson, owners of the property at 515 W. Columbia Avenue to extend the curb and

gutter approximately 23' to help divert water coming from the hilltop property drive. They received an estimate last October to install the new curb & gutter for \$780 and are asking the Village to help pay a portion of the cost. A motion made by Stewart and seconded by Lickes to reimburse 30% of the \$780 bid. Trustee Curtiss asked if we should get a more recent bid before agreeing to pay 30%. Following discussion, Trustee Rowe amended the motion to say not to exceed \$300 and Lickes seconded. Voting aye: Stewart, Zueger, Curtiss, Lickes, Rowe. Absent: Kunz. Voting nay: none. Motion carried.

The second area looked at was along South Hudson Street from Carpenter to King Streets. The committee agreed to table the runoff issue and address at a later date.

President Brandt gave an update on the protest by Foundation for Fair Contracting against AC Pavement Stripping Company, low bidder for our MFT work which includes finishing up curb and gutter work on Hudson Street. He as well as Representative Jim Sacia have contacted the office of the Chief Counsel for IDOT in Springfield checking on the status of the protest. If the protest is upheld, we will be allowed to take the next low bid if we choose.

FORESTRY & SIDEWALK

Chairman Rowe reported that the committee also met on June 28th and looked at terrace trees at six locations damaged from the June 8th storm. It was determined that all need to be taken down as soon as possible. An estimate has been received to remove the six trees and stumps from Mullen Tree Care for \$4,000. A motion was made by Rowe and seconded by Zueger to accept the estimate from Mullen Tree Care because of the emergency situation. Voting aye: Zueger, Curtiss, Lickes, Rowe, Stewart. Absent: Kunz. Voting nay: none. Motion carried.

Rowe also mentioned that we are working on the list of trees that have been requested to be looked at for maintenance or removal this year. Once the list is complete, a time will be scheduled for the committee and Marv Wurster to go around and prioritize and get bids.

Also discussed were the downtown trees which are the responsibility of the Chamber and are in need of attention. At least three are dead and need to be removed and the rest should be at least be trimmed. Steve Rice has volunteered the Village Street department to remove them at no cost to the Chamber. Steve Vanderheyden, Chamber member, will contact the Chamber Board of Directors with our offer.

A Police, Personnel and Purchasing committee meeting was scheduled for July 21st.

OTHER BUSINESS

President Brandt stated that he had received a letter from the mayors of Elizabeth and Hanover stating the County Board is considering asking for a county wide referendum for a .25% sales tax to pay for the financing of the new 911 Communication System Upgrade. They would like the County not to raise taxes but cut spending to finance the required upgrade. The consensus of the board is that they agreed with Elizabeth and

Hanover and do not want to see taxes being raised as it would be detrimental to the well-being of our local economies.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Stewart and seconded by Zueger that the meeting be adjourned at 8:30 p.m. All members present voting aye; the motion carried.

APPROVED

ATTEST
