

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE PRESIDENT  
AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
VILLAGE OF STOCKTON  
JO DAVIESS COUNTY, ILLINOIS  
August 9, 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, Dan Kunz, Jackie Lickes, Howard Rowe, Kevin Stewart and Tim Zueger. Also present were Steve Rice, Doug Wierema, Don Luke, Dale Roberts, Irene Logemann, Lil Townsend and Sally Fischer.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

A motion was made by Zueger and seconded by Lickes to approve the agenda. All members 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 July 12, 2011. Hearing none, he asked for approval. A motion was made by Rowe and seconded by Kunz to approve the minutes of July 12, 2011. All members 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 July Treasurers Report. Voting aye: Curtiss, Kunz, Lickes, Rowe, Stewart, Zueger. Voting nay; none. Motion carried.

**ACCOUNTS PAYABLE**

When the accounts payable were presented the clerk asked permission to add bills received from Herrell Electric for \$8,194.18, Paja Law Office, \$662.50 and Jo Daviess County GIS for \$270. A motion was made by Rowe and seconded by Kunz to authorize the payment of claims on List A and List B as well as the additional bills submitted. Voting aye: Kunz, Lickes, Rowe, Stewart, Zueger, Curtiss. Voting nay: none. Motion carried.

**DEPARTMENT REPORTS**

**POLICE**

A motion was made by Zueger and seconded by Stewart to approve the Police Report for the month of July as submitted by Chief Wierema. All members voting aye; the motion carried.

## **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; the motion carried.

## **STREET**

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

## **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Amy Laskye, owner of Ink & Paper, voiced her concern that too many store owners/employees are parking in front of their businesses along Main Street and Front Avenue which takes away customer parking spots. It was noted that we have a 2 hour parking time limit along that area and we will have the Police department monitor it more closely.

Bob Douglas expressed his concern of the runoff problem by his residence on South Hudson Street that causes the gravel to washout under the shed which is located south of the driveway into his yard and garden. He handed out an estimate submitted to him by Kruse Earth Moving he received for a temporary fix to put down breaker rock along an area to stop the gravel from washing away and divert the water. The Street committee will meet at the Douglas resident on August 15<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m. to review.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **PARADE RESOLUTION – # 11-05**

A motion was made by Rowe and seconded by Stewart to pass the Parade Resolution for the Homecoming Parade to be held Thursday, September 22, 2011. All members voting aye; the motion carried.

## **STATUS REPORTS**

### **MSA**

Marty Beranek was not at the meeting but sent 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.

### **Water Main Bidding**

The pre-bid conference was held on Monday, July 25<sup>th</sup>; the conference was not mandatory. The bid opening is scheduled for Monday, August 22<sup>nd</sup>. Contract award will be pending IEPA concurrence of the recommended low, responsive bidder. MSA will prepare an amendment to our bidding services contract to add IEPA required language for loan program compliance.

## **Committee Reports**

### **WATER & SEWER**

Trustee Kunz reported on the August 2<sup>nd</sup> committee meeting. He reported that the water meter in the Stockton High School is not working properly and needs to be replaced. Dale Roberts, Water Superintendent would like to install the meter which had been purchased previously for the Middle School in the High School and purchase another meter for \$1,200 for installation at the Middle School. A motion made by Kunz and seconded by Lickes to authorize the purchase of a water meter for \$1,200 to be installed in the Middle School. Voting aye: Rowe, Stewart, Zueger, Curtiss, Kunz, Lickes. Voting nay: none. Motion carried.

*A Water & Sewer committee meeting was scheduled for August 22<sup>nd</sup> at 6:30 p.m.*

### **ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**

Trustee Lickes reported on the August 8<sup>th</sup> meeting. They discussed the possibility of a Dollar General being built in the TIF District or adding a Business Development District to accommodate one and other businesses. A letter was read by Amy Laskye representing the Stockton Chamber in support of a retail development on US Highway 20. It was recommended to meet with Dan, the representative from Dollar General, and develop an action plan. President Brandt noted that he had spoken to Dan today, according to him Dollar General is not interested in a TIF or BDD district at the location chosen but would want to put in a private septic until the Village can install a permanent sewer system. Our ordinance does allow the construction of septic if there is no sewer but would have to be abandoned once sewer is available. The Village would also be responsible to run water to the property.

#### **Stockton Hardware TIF Application**

The Village had previously approved a TIF assistance request from Stockton Hardware for improvements to their building but due to the prevailing wage requirements for TIF reimbursement, Stockton Hardware has decided to move forward with the project without TIF assistance.

#### **Dura Road Project**

The Village secured an Economic Development Program grant from IDOT in January 2008 for the proposed Dura Road Project. The Village has already been granted a one year extension which will expire January 2012. It was recommended to request a two-year extension from IDOT which will allow the Village to have the project designed, reviewed and permitted and also allow time to secure the remaining project funds. A motion was made by Lickes and seconded by Stewart to proceed with getting design engineering bids for the Dura road project. Voting aye: Stewart, Zueger, Kunz, Curtiss, Lickes, Rowe. Voting nay: none. Motion carried.

### **STREETS**

Kevin Stewart reported that the committee met on the August 2<sup>nd</sup> to discuss options for this year's MFT work after receiving notification that the protest against A.C. Pavement was upheld by IDOT. The next low bidder was approximately \$6,000 higher. A

motion was made by Stewart and seconded by Zueger to reject all bids submitted for seal coating. Voting aye: Zueger, Curtiss, Kunz, Lickes, Rowe, Stewart. Voting nay: none. Motion carried.

The next item discussed was the repairs to the street and curb & gutters on Front Avenue and Hudson Street because of work done on the storm sewer. Matt Wagner of Willett, Hofmann and Associates stated bid requests for hot mix and concrete work were sent out today and are due by August 12<sup>th</sup>. In order to use MFT funds without going out for competitive bidding the cost needs to be under \$20,000. Following discussion a motion was made by Stewart and seconded by Zueger to allow President Brandt to accept and execute the low bid received if under \$20,000 for hot mix. Voting aye: Curtiss, Kunz, Lickes, Rowe, Stewart, Zueger. Voting nay: none. Motion carried.

The committee also discussed the pavement restoration and surface removal and preparation work bids. It is recommended to split it into two jobs; one bid will be for curb, gutter, core out and preparation using MFT funds and the second for sidewalk and driveway repairs using general fund monies. A motion was made by Stewart and seconded by Kunz to allow President Brandt to accept and execute the low bid received for curb & gutter and sidewalk and driveway repairs. Voting aye: Kunz, Lickes, Rowe, Stewart, Zueger, Curtiss. Voting nay: none. Motion carried.

### **FORESTRY & SIDEWALK**

Trustee Rowe stated that we are working on the list of trees that have been requested to be looked at for maintenance or removal this year. Marv Wurster will go around and prioritize the trees and letters will be sent out to get bids. Mullen Tree Service will be in town this weekend removing the trees which were damaged earlier this summer and need to be taken down.

### **POLICE**

Trustee Zueger reported that the committee met on July 21st and discussed replacing the 2005 Dodge Durango squad which currently has approximately 116,000 miles. According to Chief Wierema the vehicle is beginning to use oil and we have spent approximately \$4,500 for repairs the last year. We did not budget for a new vehicle this fiscal year after not receiving the JAG grant from Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority.

Also discussed was the Front and Main Street intersection. Chief Wierema has been in contact with an IDOT representative to look at options for pedestrian crossing and parking patterns.

Luke Kovacic has resigned effective July 21, 2011 and we are in the process of looking for a replacement. The job opening was advertised in the Freeport Journal Standard and applications are due by August 15<sup>th</sup>. Also discussed was a pay scale for officers to make us competitive with surrounding communities.

*A Committee meeting was schedule for August 15<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m.*

**PERSONNEL**

Jackie Lickes reported that the Personnel committee also met on July 21<sup>st</sup> and along with advertising for a new officer we will need a part-time police clerk because of a shift in duties for our present police clerk. It was decided to contact Furst Staffing for names and applications which will also be reviewed on August 15<sup>th</sup>.

Jackie noted all Village employee job description have been updated by Gayle Lingle and reviewed by all employees.

**LANDFILL & RECYCLING**

Matt Wagner of Willett Hoffmann and Associates stated EPA had questions/comments for Leggette, Brashears & Graham (LBG) on the proposal submitted to install 12 landfill perimeter gas monitoring wells which he forwarded on to them. He hopes to hear back so work can begin soon.

**OTHER BUSINESS**

Clerk Young stated that she has been contacted by the Jo Daviess County Emergency Management Agency and they are conducting a damage assessment of residences and businesses to see how much damage the storms on July 27-28, 2011 caused in the county. Village residents can contact the Village hall or go on line to report their damages.

President Brandt thanked the public works crew for all their work during the storm. Steve Rice also thanked the Stockton Fire Department for their assistance in helping residents pump out their basements.

**ADJOURNMENT**

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

**APPROVED**

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**ATTEST**

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