

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE PRESIDENT
AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES
VILLAGE OF STOCKTON
JO DAVIESS COUNTY, ILLINOIS
August 13, 2019**

Call To Order:

President Brandt called the meeting to order on August 13, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. and asked the clerk to call the roll.

Members in Attendance:

Trustees: Billie Jo Eisfeller, Linda Gonnerman, David Julius, Dan Kunz, Jackie Lickes, Kevin Stewart. Staff present: Steve Rice, Amy Haas, Aaron Sullivan, & Susanne Young.

Approval of Agenda:

Clerk Young asked permission to add Resolution No. 19-11 Homecoming parade permit. A motion was made by Stewart and seconded by Julius to approve the agenda as amended. 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 July 9, 2019. Kunz moved and Gonnerman seconded to approve the minutes for the meeting as presented. All members voting aye. Motion carried.

Treasurers Report:

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

Accounts Payable:

President Brandt asked for approval to authorize payment of claims and List B as submitted. Clerk Young asked for permission to add four additional invoices totaling \$3,785.01. Lickes moved and Stewart seconded to authorize the payment of accounts payable claims, list B and additional invoices. Voting aye: Stewart, Eisfeller, Gonnerman, Julius, Kunz, Lickes. Motion carried.

Police:

A motion was made by Lickes and seconded by Kunz to approve the Police Report for the month. All members voting aye. Motion carried.

Water & Sewer:

A motion was made by Lickes and seconded by Stewart to approve the Water & Sewer Reports as submitted. 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.

Public Comments:

Drew Spidahl, Offenheiser Bros., stated he owns the property located at 965 S. Stockton Rd. which is in Village limits and is concerned about the weight restrictions the Village is proposing for North Simmons Street. Spidahl noted if the weight restrictions are imposed his grain trucks will not be able to access Hwy 20 which is a 1/10th of a mile from his driveway and would be required to take a 4.6 mile detour which takes them North to Townsend Rd to Hwy 78 to get onto Hwy 20 which will be quit costly. It was decided to discuss further at an upcoming committee meeting.

Community Funding & Planning Services:

Clerk Young stated CFPS was not able to attend but submitted a request of IEPA Loan Funds and DCEO Community Development Block Grant funds for the Water Main Improvement Project. Total funds requested \$ 64,436.38 - which will be paid 100% with IEPA Loan Funds.

- Construction Observation Services from MSA Professional Services
Invoice #8 - \$ 7,252.00
- Civil Constructors
Payment Application #5 - \$ 57,184.38

Gonnerman moved and Lickes seconded to approve IEPA loan request #5 in the amount of \$64,436.38 including Civil Pay Application No. 5 for \$57,184.38 and MSA construction observation invoice # 8 in the amount of \$7,252. Voting aye: Eisfeller, Gonnerman, Julius, Kunz, Lickes, Stewart. Motion carried.

Committee Reports:

Water, Sewer & Garbage:

Trustee Gonnerman reported on the committee meeting held July 23, 2019.

2019 Water System Improvements

Civil Constructors has completed all the water main replacement on Summit Avenue, Main Street, Willis Street, and Hillside Lane. Paving is complete on Willis Street and Summit Avenue. Civil's crews have been slowly prepping Hillside Lane and Rush Street for paving and has also poured the generator pads. Hillside Lane paving and restoration should occur in the next two weeks. The project substantial completion is November 15, 2019 and final completion is December 20, 2019.

Water Main Extension to Waste Water Treatment Facility

The plans are complete and the construction permit has been issued. Community Funding & Planning Services has been in contact with IEPA SRF program and this project will be part of the WWTF project and loan.

Well # 4 Modifications Permitting

The Operating Permit application has been sent to the IEPA for review and processing. We await their response. President Brandt noted the construction permit has been received.

Wastewater Treatment Facility Project

The County scheduled a Zoning hearing for the Village's WWTF property for Wednesday, July 24th. Steve Schmidt, MSA Land Surveyor presented the project for the Village and President Brandt noted that they received a favorable response from the county.

A design review meeting was held July 23, 2019 with MSA to review current status of design, discuss site layout and updated cost estimates.

An updated project schedule was provided by MSA. Some things remain in flux as it pertains to USEPA permitting, property acquisition, Nicor construction planning, Brewster Cheese project, negotiations, etc.

We also await results from Red Gates Archaeology from the survey that was conducted at the proposed project sites.

Water meter for Stockton Fire Department

A water meter is needed for the new Fire Department station. Steve Rice stated after looking at the building plans submitted they will require a 4" C2 Omni meter, which will be used to fill the tanker trucks which will cost approximately \$3,000. A 1 inch meter will be installed for domestic use in the building. It was noted that the Village has already waived the \$1,500 water & \$1,500 sewer hookup fees as well as the \$2,530 building permit fee. Gonnerman moved and Lickes seconded to purchase a 4" C2 Omni meter for the Fire Department for \$3,000 which will be billed to the Fire Department. Voting aye: Gonnerman, Julius, Kunz, Lickes, Stewart, Eisfeller. Motion carried.

Water Tower Exterior Cleaning

Steve Rice presented a proposal from National Wash to clean the exterior of the water tower at a cost of \$5,800. A discussion followed as to whether this is necessary at this time. Rice stated he spoke to the company and they stated after they clean the tank, they apply a mildew inhibitor that has a silicone seal to help slow mildew growth. Gonnerman moved and Lickes seconded to approve the proposal from National Wash to clean the exterior of the water tower for \$5,800. Voting aye: Julius, Kunz, Lickes, Stewart, Eisfeller, Gonnerman. Motion carried.

Economic Development:

Resolution No. 19-09 – TIF Inducement – Stockton Bowling Lanes

A Resolution of the Village of Stockton, Jo Daviess County, Illinois, to induce the Redevelopment of Certain Property within Route 20/Downtown Redevelopment Project Area, as amended. Trustee Julius stated we have received a request for TIF assistance from Jack & Mary Stayner who plan to improve their property at 102 S. Ward Street with the addition of solar panels. Julius moved and Gonnerman seconded to pass Resolution No. 19-09. Voting aye: Kunz, Lickes, Stewart, Eisfeller, Gonnerman, Julius. Motion carried.

Resolution No. 19-10 – TIF Inducement – Stockton Hardware

A Resolution of the Village of Stockton, Jo Daviess County, Illinois, to induce the Redevelopment of Certain Property within Route 20/Downtown Redevelopment Project Area, as amended. Trustee Julius stated we have also received a request for TIF assistance from Stockton Hardware, 116 N. Main who also plan to add solar panels to their property. Julius moved and Gonnerman seconded to pass Resolution No. 19-10. Voting aye: Lickes, Stewart, Eisfeller, Gonnerman, Julius, Kunz. Motion carried.

Streets, Sidewalks, Forestry, Building & Grounds:

Curtiss Road Dust Control

Trustee Kunz reported we have received a quote from Stephenson Service Company to apply calcium chloride for dust control on Curtiss Road from Route 20 to village limits for \$937.80. Steve Rice noted we usually try to apply dust control twice - early summer and around Labor Day but due to the wet spring it didn't get completed. Kunz moved and Stewart seconded to accept their bid for \$937.80. Voting aye: Stewart, Eisfeller, Gonnerman, Julius, Kunz, Lickes. Motion carried.

Police:

Burn Ordinance Amendment

Trustee Stewart thanked Trustee Gonnerman for her research regarding burn ordinances in surrounding communities. Discussion was to continue to allow open burning of leaves but be more specific on *when* it is allowed. The committee will bring it up for discussion at their next committee meeting.

Finance and Purchasing:

Fred Pryor Software

Trustee Billie Jo Eisfeller reported the committee reviewed a quote for software from Fred Pryor Software & Seminars for a 1 year access to on-line training programs which includes 20 plus training categories such as computer skills & software, HR, Management, OSHA & Workplace Safety and more either on-line or live seminars for one year at a cost of \$649. Eisfeller moved Stewart seconded to approve the purchase of the Fred Pryor Software program for \$649. Voting aye: Eisfeller, Gonnerman, Julius, Kunz, Lickes, Stewart. Motion carried.

Surplus Equipment

Eisfeller moved and Gonnerman moved to declare the 2005 Astro Van and 1977 Ford Tractor surplus. Voting aye: Gonnerman, Julius, Kunz, Lickes, Stewart, Eisfeller. Motion carried. This equipment will now be placed for sale on the GovDeals auction website.

Village Credit Card – F. Cass

Eisfeller moved and Gonnerman seconded to approve a Village of Stockton credit card request for Assistant Police Chief Fred Cass. Voting aye: Julius, Kunz, Lickes, Stewart, Eisfeller, Gonnerman. Motion carried.

Personnel:

A Committee meeting was scheduled for Thursday, August 22, 2019 at 9:00 a.m. to continue working on updating the Employee Manual.

Old Business: None

New Business:

Cannabis Dispensaries:

Starting January 1, 2020, adults 21 and older will be able to legally purchase cannabis for recreational use from licensed dispensaries in Illinois. A request has been received to allow a dispensary in the Village limit. It was noted that licensing dispensaries will be extremely competitive and only 75 Adult Use Dispensing Licenses will be awarded during the first round and only 3 licenses in the surrounding seven county region of Jo Daviess, Stephenson, Ogle, Lee, Carroll, Whiteside, Bureau, LaSalle and Putnam. Various issues were discussed and it was decided to table the discussion to the next scheduled committee meeting.

Ordinance No. 672 – Amendment to Title 5, Chapter 3, Section 3 of the Municipal Code of the Village of Stockton, Jo Daviess County, IL. This amendment would add North Simmons Street to the list where it shall be unlawful to operate any vehicle with a gross weight which exceeds twenty thousand (20,000) pounds. In reviewing this amendment and taking into consideration the concerns of Mr. Spidahl previously heard, it was decided to table this ordinance for more review.

Vehicle for Sewer Department:

Steve Rice presented two quotes for a new pickup to replace the 2005 Astro Van which will be used by the Sewer Department. Quotes were received from Marlow Brothers Ford & Barkau Automotive. Gonnerman moved and Stewart seconded to accept the low bid from Barkau Automotive for a 2019 Dodge 1500 Classic Pick-up truck for \$26,524. Voting aye: Kunz, Lickes, Stewart, Eisfeller, Gonnerman, Julius. Motion carried.

Resolution No. 19-11 Homecoming Parade:

Clerk Young stated this resolution is submitted along with proof of insurance to IDOT asking for permission to close Highway 78 for the Homecoming parade being held on Thursday, September 12, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. Lickes moved and Eisfeller seconded to

pass Resolution No. 19-11. Voting aye: Lickes, Stewart, Eisfeller, Gonnerman, Julius, Kunz. Motion carried.

Executive Session:

A motion was made by Kunz and seconded by Lickes to go into Executive Session for the purpose of discussion of Personnel – Section 2 (c) (1) at 8:25 p.m. Voting aye: Stewart, Eisfeller, Gonnerman, Julius, Kunz, Lickes. Motion carried.

The board returned to open session at 9:27 p.m. following a motion by Julius and seconded by Lickes. Voting aye: Eisfeller, Gonnerman, Julius, Kunz, Lickes, Stewart. Motion carried.

Following executive session, the board took the following actions:

Lickes moved and Julius seconded to approve hiring Don Luke to provide oversight of the Sewer Plant for \$1,200 a month until Aaron Sullivan obtains his class 2 waste water certification. Voting aye: Gonnerman, Julius, Kunz, Lickes, Stewart, Eisfeller. Motion carried.

President Brandt stated he would like to appoint Aaron Sullivan as Sewer Superintendent at a rate of \$21.50 per hour with the advice and consent of the board. Lickes moved and Gonnerman seconded to accept the appointment of Aaron Sullivan as Sewer Superintendent. Voting aye: Julius, Kunz, Lickes, Stewart, Eisfeller, Gonnerman. Motion carried.

Lickes moved and Gonnerman seconded to give stipends to Steve Rice of \$1,000 and, Rob Sigafus, Scott Townsend and Aaron Sullivan \$500 each in appreciation for the extra work they have done in the past months. Voting aye: Kunz, Lickes, Stewart, Eisfeller, Gonnerman, Julius. Motion carried.

Julius moved and Eisfeller seconded to accept the resignation of Kevin Stewart as Village Trustee with regret and gratitude. Voting aye: Lickes, Eisfeller, Gonnerman, Julius, Kunz. Abstain: Stewart. Motion carried.

President Brandt stated he would like to appoint Kevin Stewart as Police Chief effective on September 1st per the terms of employment. Gonnerman moved and Eisfeller seconded to approve Kevin Stewart's appointment as Police Chief. Voting aye: Eisfeller, Gonnerman, Julius, Kunz, Lickes. Motion carried.

Adjournment:

A motion was made by Kunz and seconded by Lickes that the meeting be adjourned at 9:33 p.m. All members voting aye. Motion carried.

APPROVED

ATTEST
