

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE PRESIDENT  
AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
VILLAGE OF STOCKTON  
JO DAVIESS COUNTY, ILLINOIS  
September 8, 2020**

***Call To Order:***

President Brandt called the meeting to order on September 8, 2020 at 7 p.m. and asked the Deputy Clerk to call the roll.

***Members in Attendance:***

Trustees present: Billie Jo Eisfeller, Linda Gonnerman, Dan Kunz, Jackie Lickes, Rhonda Perry. Absent: Matt Timpe. Staff present: Steve Rice, Jane West, Cheryl Bourland, Amy Haas, Kevin Stewart, Susanne Young, and Rena Eden. Gayle Lingle attended via Zoom. Guests: Diane Bradley.

***Approval of Agenda:***

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

***Approval of Minutes:***

President Brandt asked if there were any additions or corrections to the minutes of the regular meeting on August 11, 2020. Kunz moved and Gonnerman seconded to approve the minutes. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

***Treasurers Reports:***

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

***Accounts Payable:***

President Brandt asked for approval of the account's payable claims and List B. Village Deputy Clerk West asked permission to include seven additional invoices totaling \$2,216.12. Gonnerman moved and Perry seconded to authorize the accounts payable claims, List B and additional bills. Voting aye: Kunz, Lickes, Perry, Eisfeller, Gonnerman. Absent: Timpe. Motion carried.

***Police:***

A motion was made by Eisfeller and seconded by Kunz to approve the Police Report for the month as submitted by Chief Stewart. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

***Water & Sewer:***

A motion was made by Lickes and seconded by Eisfeller to approve the Water Report as submitted by Kari Olson and the Sewer Report as submitted by Aaron Sullivan for the month. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

***Street:***

A motion was made by Eisfeller and seconded by Kunz to approve the Street Department Activity Report for the month as submitted by Steve Rice. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

***Public Comments: None***

***Status Reports:***

*Community Funding and Planning Services: Proposal to be voted on.*

*MSA: Task order to be voted on.*

**Committee Reports:**

***Water, Sewer & Garbage:***

Trustee Gonnerman reported on the committee meeting held August 25, 2020.

**Water System Improvements**

The punch list items have been completed and MSA is in the process of verifying the final completion documents.

**WWTF USEPA Local Limits Development**

Ordinance revisions have been sent to the USEPA for review. Local limits analysis report to be submitted to USEPA by September 6.

**Wastewater Treatment Facility Project**

The Village did not get the CDBG Fast Track Grant. Stockton will proceed with splitting the project into two projects in order to access two years of IEPA SRF funds and maximize the forgivable loan monies available. Phase I, including the equalization basin and utility piping would be bid and awarded this EPA Year (ending June 2021). The WWTF (Phase II) would be bid and awarded after July 2021 (next EPA Year).

Negotiations continue with Brewster Cheese concerning the WWTF Agreement with the Village of Stockton.

**ITEP Grant Opportunity**

CFPS and MSA proposed to the Board how the Village might benefit and utilize the Illinois Transportation Enhancement Grant (IDOT – ITEP) up to \$2,000,000. Downtown streetscapes were identified, potentially including sidewalks, ADA ramps, lighting, decorative features, and curb & gutter (where ADA required) as a future project.

## **Water & Sewer**

The annual Water & Sewer Rate increases had been postponed this past May. The Board plans to now implement a 2% increase, tied to the CPI.

A motion was made by Gonnerman and seconded by Lickes to approve the annual 2% Water and Sewer increase. This increase is usually made in May, due to Covid-19 the increase was postponed. The minimum Water, Sewer, and Garbage amount will now be \$60.66. The new water base rate will be \$27.38, the new sewer base rate will be \$16.50, and the garbage rate will continue to be \$16.78.

A request was made to the Village of Stockton by Winter Construction to waive Water & Sewer hookup fees to the planned FHN Specialty Care Clinic.

A motion was made by Gonnerman and seconded by Kunz to waive the sewer hook up fee for the new FHN facility. The infrastructure work to be done for the FHN facility to the sewer line will benefit the village. Winter Construction is installing a manhole. This will serve as an air relief for the new force main to the sewer plant. Therefore, the installation will save the village the time and money to install the manhole. Voting aye: Lickes, Perry, Eisfeller, Gonnerman, Kunz. Absent: Timpe. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Gonnerman and seconded by Lickes to waive the water hook up fee of \$1,500 for the new FHN facility. Public Works Coordinator Rice stated that we will still have cost in the meter and the remote for the facility. Rice stated that for the cost of parts and labor we are looking at \$500. Voting aye: None. Voting nay: Perry, Eisfeller, Gonnerman, Kunz, Lickes. Absent: Timpe. Motion failed.

A motion was made by Kunz and seconded by Lickes to charge a \$500 water hook up fee for the new FHN facility. Public Works Coordinator Rice stated again the \$500 will cover the cost of the meter and the remote for the facility. Voting aye: Kunz, Lickes, Perry. Voting nay: Eisfeller, Gonnerman. Absent: Timpe. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Gonnerman and seconded by Kunz to approve the \$2,490 proposal to replace the Well #6 check valve. After discussion it was determined the proposal was invalid because of an error. Voting aye: None. Voting nay: Eisfeller, Gonnerman, Kunz, Lickes, Perry. Absent: Timpe. Motion failed.

A motion was made by Gonnerman and seconded by Eisfeller to replace the check valve on Well # 6. Voting aye: Gonnerman, Kunz, Lickes, Perry, Eisfeller. Absent: Timpe. Motion carried.

### ***Economic Development:***

The board reviewed a TIF assistance request from Diane Bradley for her property located at 105 S. Main St. It will be reviewed again at the October Board meeting.

***Police:***

A motion was made by Eisfeller and seconded by Gonnerman to approve the purchase of Stop Sticks as requested by the police department for \$1,450. Voting aye: Kunz, Lickes, Perry, Eisfeller, Gonnerman. Absent: Timpe. Motion carried.

***Streets, Sidewalks, Forestry, Building & Grounds:***

A motion was made by Kunz and seconded by Gonnerman to approve the proposal from Community Funding and Planning Services to complete the ITEP (Illinois Transportation Enhancement Program) grant application for \$4,500. (ITEP includes grants for several different enchantment projects including: Pedestrian/bicycle facilities, install/replace sidewalks, pedestrian crossings, pedestrian signals/lights, downtown streetscapes, conversion of abandoned railroad crossings to trails, and construction of turnouts, overlooks, and viewings areas.) Voting aye: Lickes, Perry, Eisfeller, Gonnerman, Kunz. Absent: Timpe. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Kunz and seconded by Lickes to approve the MSA Task order for \$3,650. MSA will prepare a project description, updated concept for the 3 blocks of downtown Stockton sidewalks and streetscape along Front Street and Main Street. MSA will prepare an engineer estimate of probable costs for the use in CFPS's ITEP grant application. Voting aye: Perry, Eisfeller, Gonnerman, Kunz, Lickes. Absent: Timpe. Motion carried.

***Brian Rex Property:***

The Village Board discussed several plans of action to demolish the abandoned Rex property at 124 S. Stockton St. The Illinois Housing Authority released a grant for acquisition and demolition of residential properties. The Village would need to have 4-5 properties that need demolished to be considered for the grant. The heir to the Rex Property will not communicate or respond to the Village of Stockton after several attempts. A motion was made by Linda Gonnerman to get an updated bid from Matthew Kleckner and a second bid to demolish the property. Due to no second on the motion, the motion died. Discussion of the Rex Property was tabled until the October Committee Meeting.

***Finance and Purchasing:***

Eisfeller made a motion and Gonnerman seconded to purchase new tires, brakes and rotors for the 2015 police squad car. Voting aye: Gonnerman, Kunz, Lickes, Perry, Eisfeller. Absent: Timpe. Motion carried.

***Personnel: None***

***Old Business: None***

***New Business:***

***Ordinance No. 696 – Ordinance No. 696*** An Ordinance Pertaining to The Local Cure Program. It is required for the Village to approve this ordinance to be eligible for reimbursement of funds through the Local Coronavirus Urgent Remediation Emergency

Support Program (Local CURE Program). Voting aye: Kunz, Lickes, Perry, Eisfeller, Gonnerman. Absent: Timpe. Motion carried.

***Announcements:***

The Consolidated Election is scheduled for April 6, 2021. Candidates can obtain a petitions as early as September 22, 2020 and must file the forms between December 14 through December 21, 2020. Terms expiring include Village President Brandt, Trustees Gonnerman, Perry, Lickes, and Timpe.

***Executive Session: None***

***Adjournment:***

A motion was made by Perry and seconded by Kunz that the meeting be adjourned at 8:13 p.m. All members voting aye. Motion carried.

**APPROVED**

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