

NOVEMBER 5, 2001
7:30 P.M.
REGULAR MEETING

Regular meeting of the Village Board held at the Village Hall and called to order by President Peterson with the following members present:

Anderson, Trout, Fay, Seitz, Kness, Peterson, and Johnson. Absent: Bates.

Motion by Anderson, second by Kness to approve the October 1, 2001 Board meeting minutes. Roll call votes: Fay – aye, Trout – aye, Anderson – aye, Seitz – aye, and Kness – aye. All votes were in favor, and the motion was carried.

Shannon Glancey present concerning her Wheel Tax payment to the Village and the penalty amount still due. Mrs. Glancey stated that she was not aware that a penalty was still due since she had paid the amount of \$40 on August 28, 2001. A notice had been sent by the Village Clerk Johnson explaining that the amount due was \$50, and the balance was still due of \$10. Mrs. Glancey stated that Village Attorney Steele had contacted her concerning the amount of \$30 in penalties now due. Village Attorney Steele was present and reported on the Village's Wheel Tax Ordinance and the providing of penalties on accounts that are not paid on time. The Board agreed and informed Mrs. Glancey that she did owe the penalty of \$30 to date (taking the penalty through October, but waiving the November penalty) and had until the end of November to make the \$30 payment. Mrs. Glancey told the Board that she did not read the notices in the newspaper or that were posted about when Wheel Tax is due. The Board stated that notices are made and more effort will be put into notifying more. Mrs. Glancey made a verbal request for a copy of the Wheel Tax Ordinance. Clerk Johnson provided Mrs. Glancey with that Ordinance (cost of .20 per copy was received = \$1.40).

Police Chief Hansen presented the police report. He reported three violations, 65,484 miles on the squad, and that the repeater needs to be checked to see if it can be repaired or must be replaced. Chief Hansen requested permission to fix the repeater, or if not fixable, to replace since it is necessary and a safety issue for the police department's duties. The Board agreed to have Chief Hansen have the repeater checked and to report back to President Peterson on the cost of repair or the cost of a new one if needed. The Board requested that Chief Hansen check the streets for anything that will impede the snow plow during the plowing season. Chief Hansen presented a map of stop and yield signs with his recommendations for new signs to be posted on the north side of the Village. Chief Hansen stated that he would prepare a map for the south side of the Village. The Board agreed to study these maps.

Maintenance Superintendent Ralph Morrow present and stated that the new snow plow is in, but they have not checked it out yet, that the new chains for the tractor are in, and that the sidewalk work should be completed tomorrow. He also stated that the well at the Depot Park was filled with sand. Clerk Johnson informed the Board that Sam Shannon had asked about the dirt that the Village had left from various projects, and that he would take the dirt and pay for the hauling in the Village's truck to his property outside of the Village. Mr. Morrow stated that the Village has a closer place to haul the dirt (Bud Hennenfent). The Board stated that if there is any dirt left, that Mr. Shannon would be contacted. The Board instructed Mr. Morrow to keep an eye on the streets for

patching or repairs. Mr. Morrow stated that he would be gone to Texas for six days and return on November 14, 2001. Mr. Morrow requested sockets for the new wrench set that was purchased.

Motion by Trout, second by Anderson to purchase impact wrench sockets in the amount of \$161.97 from Farm Fleet. Roll call votes: Fay – aye, Kness – aye, Anderson – aye, Seitz – aye, and Trout – aye. All votes were in favor, and the motion was carried.

President Peterson reported that McMeekan Excavating had completed all work.

President Peterson reviewed the information the Board had received the previous month from Bi-State Regional Commission representative Liz Murray concerning funding and grants for a sewer system project. The Board agreed to get more information, including Trustee Seitz checking into the project being self-supporting, and President Peterson checking with Woodhull on how their system is doing.

The Board tabled action on a burn ordinance until the Health Committee prepared a plan.

The Board noted that there would be a Zoning Board of Appeals hearing on the request by Thurman Williams on November 10, 2001 at 1 P.M. and another hearing on the request by Michael and Judy Marxen on November 20, 2001 at 6:30 P.M.

Motion by Fay, second by Trout to donate \$50 to the New Windsor Christmas Walk. Roll call votes: Kness – aye, Anderson – aye, Trout – aye, Fay – aye, and Seitz – aye. All votes were in favor, and the motion was carried.

President Peterson noted that Ron Partlow had informed him that a patriotic salute program would be held November 11, 2001 at the former gym.

The Park Committee reported on their meeting with Midwest Sales on playground equipment for the Rodeo Park. The Committee looked at plans that would use the \$24,000 donation from Jackie Riddell via the New Windsor Library. The Committee reported that plans for a program including playground equipment for 0 – 5 year olds and 5 – 12 year olds with the removal of old equipment that does meet safety standards (slide, teeter-totter, bouncy horses, and older swing set) and updating one of the present swing sets and adding base material under the equipment plus the shipping would bring a total amount of \$24,640. The Committee also recommended that a bench and trash receptacle be added to the area. The Committee added that volunteer help to put the equipment up would come from the Fire Department, Ball Association, and the community. The Board noted that the plans would need the approval of Jackie Riddell, donor. Village Attorney Steele read to the Board the requirements of the State Statutes concerning expenditures that would require bidding. However, the Friends of the Library of the New Windsor Library would donate the equipment to the Village since they are in charge of the funds from Ms. Riddell, and the Village would not be purchasing the equipment. The Board was informed that Ms. Riddell did request a plaque be placed in the Rodeo Park in the memory of Ethel Shull (Ms. Riddell's grandmother). The Board agreed that the Village would place the plaque in the park. President Peterson telephoned Mr. David Kruse of the Friends of the Library and the New Windsor Library to come to this meeting. Mr. Kruse came to the meeting and stated that the Friends of the Library of the New Windsor Library would donate the Rodeo Park playground equipment as outlined in the Park Committee's plan with the approval of Ms. Riddell. The Board agreed that the Village would put the equipment up and maintain it. Mr. Kruse stated that the money would be put in a money market interest bearing account, because the

equipment would not be put into place until spring and weather permitting. Mr. Kruse stated that the entire money market account with interest would go towards the purchase of the playground equipment for the Rodeo Park.

Motion by Anderson, second by Fay to authorize the October, 2001 bills. Roll call votes: Anderson – aye, Trout – aye, Fay – aye, Seitz – aye, and Kness – aye. All votes were in favor, and the motion was carried.

Motion by Kness to adjourn, second by all. Voice vote with all in favor. Meeting adjourned.

Claudine D. Johnson, Village Clerk