

DECEMBER 3, 2001  
REGULAR MEETING  
7:30 P.M.

Regular meeting of the Village Board held at the Village Hall and called to order by President Peterson with the following members present: Bates, Anderson, Trout, Seitz, Kness, Peterson, and Johnson. Absent: Fay.

Motion by Anderson, second by Trout to approve the November 5, 2001 meeting's minutes. Roll call votes: Trout – aye, Kness – aye, Bates – aye, Seitz – aye, and Anderson – aye. All votes were in favor, and the motion was carried.

Police Chief Hansen presented the November 2001 Police Report. Chief Hansen reported that violations had been taken care of, and there would be more this month, the new radio for the squad was ordered at a cost of \$2,995, the squad had 66,125 miles, the squad would be taken in to be winterized at Allen's Service Station, and the list of the Village's south side stop and yield signs would be presented at the January 2002 Board meeting. Trustee Bates informed Chief Hansen of an abandoned freezer at the Peer residence, and the Board requested that the lid be taken off for safety reasons. Chief Hansen stated that he had tried to contact someone about the matter, but no one was there, but he would stay on top of the matter. The Board requested that he give a forty-eight hour violation notice and go from there. The Board inquired about the "on call" status of an officer. Chief Hansen explained that the officer has the phone duty while the chief is gone, and that officer is on call twenty-four hours, but only paid for two hours, since the officer would not be out on duty unless he would be called. The Board requested that the Police Department take care of the violations and serve notices. The Board also informed Chief Hansen that any semi trucks on the streets must be moved, because they would block the snowplow.

Motion by Trout, second by Kness to accept the Zoning Board of Appeals recommendation to deny the request by Thurman Williams for a special use permit. Roll call votes: Anderson – aye, Bates – aye, Kness – aye, Seitz – aye, and Trout – aye. All votes were in favor, and the motion was carried.

Mike Marxen present concerning the Zoning Board of Appeals hearing on the Marxen's request to change the classification of their property from commercial to R-1. The Board acknowledged the recommendation by the Zoning Board of Appeals to change the classification, and instructed Village Attorney Steele to prepare the ordinance granting the change for the January 2002 Board meeting.

Jeannie and Richard Herbert present to request the use of the Rodeo Park July 5, 6, and 7, 2002 for a New Windsor Pow Wow by the Central Illinois One People Organization. The Board informed Mrs. Herbert of the letter the Village had received from the Rainbow Dancers, the previous pow wow organizers. Mrs. Herbert explained that the Rainbow Dancers were suppose to help them start the pow wow, and then turn it over to them, but this did not happen. She also explained that the Rainbow Dancers were to be non-profit, but problems arose. Mrs. Herbert stated that she with others have formed the pow wow Central Illinois One People Organization, and she has filed for non-profit papers, tax exempt forms, and insurance coverage, and they are not affiliated with the Rainbow Dancers. The Board stated that the Village needs proof of the non-profit

status and proof of insurance. Mrs. Herbert had some insurance papers with her, but not all were in correct form. Village Attorney Steele requested that he review the insurance papers, and recommended that the Village must be stated as coinsured as the Village not town of Windsor, New Windsor, and the correct dates be stated on the documents. The Board tabled the matter until Mrs. Herbert comes back to the Board with the correct information and paperwork.

Motion by Seitz, second by Anderson to waive the reclassification zoning application of \$250 for Mike and Judy Marxen's next request to reclassify their property on Main Street. Roll call votes: Kness – aye, Trout – aye, Seitz – aye, Anderson – aye, and Bates – nay. Four votes aye, one vote nay, and the motion was carried.

President Peterson reported that the Christmas decorations would be put up on Main Street tomorrow, and requested that the Board look into new decoration for next year.

Ralph Morrow, maintenance superintendent present to answer any Board questions. The Board stated that Mr. Morrow need not attend the Board meetings, unless he was requested to do so, or he requested to attend.

The Board noted that the playground equipment donation would be sent April 15, 2002. Trustee Trout reported that a volunteer group (New Windsor Park Project) was checking into grants available to assist the park's playground equipment donation.

Ralph Morrow requested that the Village order two stop and two yield signs and one post for the maintenance department. The Board agreed.

Trustee Seitz reported that he had talked to Kirk Doonan, Viola Village President, and found out that their sewer was self-supporting.

President Peterson reported on his meeting with Fire Chief Larry Roberts over a plan to react to disasters, and that Chief Roberts is getting more information on the matter. Also, President Peterson stated that he and Chief Roberts discussed a burn ordinance, in particular pre-set fires, a designate and qualifications of that designate, fine, time frame of set days, and attending to the fire. The Board agreed that they need to prepare an ordinance with the needs of the Village. Village Attorney Steele stated that the Village would have to have certain standards and have an ordinance to enforce. The Board asked the Health Committee to look at the ordinance and make recommendations. The Committee agreed to meet in January.

President Peterson reappointed John Carlson and Thurman Williams to the Zoning Board of appeals for five-year terms.

Motion by Bates, second by Anderson to accept the appointments of John Carlson and Thurman Williams to the Zoning Board of Appeals for five-year terms. Roll call votes: Bates – aye, Kness – aye, Seitz – aye, Anderson – aye, and Trout – aye. All votes were in favor, and the motion was carried.

Motion by Trout, second by Bates to donated \$50 to the Sherrard School District Operation Santa Fund. Roll call votes: Trout – aye, Seitz – aye, Anderson – aye, Kness – aye, and Bates – aye. All votes were in favor, and the motion was carried.

The Board agreed to contact the New Windsor Fair and Rodeo Association to see if they still wanted to continue the cash farm lease with the Village.

Trustee Anderson reported that Peggy Thompson was concerned about a tree behind her property that was split and very large and may be on Village property. The Street and Alley Committee was instructed to check on this tree.

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

Motion by Kness, second by Seitz to adjourn. Voice Vote: all votes were in favor, and the meeting was adjourned.

Claudine D. Johnson, Village Clerk