

JANUARY 6, 2003
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, Trout, Fay, Seitz, Kness, Peterson, and Johnson. Absent: none.

Motion by Kness, second by Seitz to approve the December 2, 2002 minutes. Roll call votes: Fay – aye, Bates – aye, Trout – aye, Seitz- aye, and Kness – aye. All votes were in favor, and the motion was carried.

Police Chief Hansen presented the December 2002 police report. He reported three citations issued, 75,540 miles on the squad, the squad needs new tires and he would check on the cost, criminal damage to vehicles on Franklin Street, a very quiet Christmas and New Year's Eve, and one rescheduled court date on Wheel Tax due to Attorney Steele's illness. Trustee Bates inquired about the Village's policy on the Village's police officers patrolling outside of the Village limits, because she had been asked about this situation. Police Chief Hansen stated that the Village's police department was not suppose to do Mercer County's work. Trustee Bates stated that the Village's Officer Meier was outside the Village limits in the Village's squad on the side of the road with the lights off and that a complaint was made by the person stopped by Officer Meier for speeding. Chief Hansen reported that Officer Meier had told him about this, and that the Village Officer is an officer in the State of Illinois and can issue a ticket for speeding, and Village Officers have authority outside the Village.

The Police Committee (Kness, Fay, and Trout) set a meeting to review the police department on January 10, 2003 at 6:30 P.M. at the Village Hall.

President Peterson requested that Chief Hansen prepare a new violation list.

Mike Adamson present concerning the sidewalk work that he had done for the Village. Mr. Adamson stated his concern on the sidewalk work and cost and the Presbyterian Church sidewalk work by the new parking lot. He had made a separate bill for the Church's work at \$450 and considered this bill extra from the list of sidewalk work. He had made a verbal agreement, but had not been paid for the Church's bill, but had been paid the total for the Village's work. The Board agreed that a miscommunication had been made. Motion by Bates, second by Trout to pay \$450 to Mike Adamson for the sidewalk work done by the Presbyterian Church's parking lot. Roll call votes: Fay – aye, Kness – nay, Seitz – aye, Bates – aye, and Trout – aye. Four votes were ayes, and one vote was nay. Motion was carried.

Motion by Trout, second by Bates to have all Village contracts stated in writing. Roll call votes: Seitz – aye, Trout – aye, Bates – aye, Kness – aye, and Fay – aye. All votes were in favor, and the motion was carried.

President Peterson reported that the Village was ready for snow removal.

President Peterson reported that the streets have been measured and prioritized for restructuring, and a list was made with the footages. Trustee Kness stated that he had talked to Bettendorf about their equipment for this type of work. President Peterson instructed the Clerk to contact Jim Davis, engineer, from Maurer and Stutz about the Village's restructuring of streets and to find out information about working it in with the oiling and chipping program for this year.

Trustee Trout reported a hole by the stop sign at Fifth Avenue and Mulberry Street that need to be fixed.

President Peterson reported that the Christmas decorations would be taken down on Wednesday.

The Board noted that the LP tank fence was up at the maintenance building.

President Peterson stated that he would meet with the treasurer on proposals for the budget.

President Peterson nominated Onie Rogers to fill the Zoning Board position that expired December 31, 2002. Motion by Bates, second by Kness to accept the nomination of Onie Rogers to the Zoning Board. Roll call votes: Bates – aye, Trout – aye, Fay – aye, Seitz – aye, and Kness – aye. All votes were in favor, and the motion was carried.

Motion by Kness, second by Bates to purchase the Wheel Tax stickers for sale for 2003. Roll call votes: Seitz – aye, Trout – aye, Kness – aye, Bates – aye, and Fay – aye. All votes were in favor, and the motion was carried.

Motion by Kness, second by Seitz to authorize the December 2002 bills. Roll call votes: Trout – aye, Kness – aye, Fay – aye, Bates – aye, and Seitz – aye. All votes were in favor, and the motion was carried.

The Board agreed to clean up the holes where the trees were on the Main Street sidewalk and clean up and level off the area.

Motion by Kness to adjourn. Seconded by Seitz. All votes were in favor, and the motion was carried. Meeting adjourned.

Claudine D. Johnson, Village Clerk