

MAY 4, 2009
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: Schmitt, Dillbeck, D. Peterson, Gregory, Kness, Peterson, and Johnson. Absent: Molburg.

Motion by Schmitt, second by Kness to approve the April 6, 2009 Regular meeting minutes. Roll call votes: Schmitt – aye, Dillbeck – aye, Peterson – aye, and Kness – aye. All votes were in favor, and the motion was carried.

President Peterson and the Board thanked outgoing Trustee Schmitt for his service during his term on the Board.

Village Clerk Johnson administered the oath of office to President Peterson, Trustees at 2 – year terms Debra Peterson and Teresa Gibeau, and Trustees at 4-year terms Steve Kness, Kathy Gregory, and Bruce Gibeau.

President Peterson announced the Committees and their Chairpersons and explained the duties of these committees. Clerk Johnson gave each Trustee a copy of the meeting list for the 2009-2010 fiscal year.

President Peterson appointed Jason Molburg to the Plan Commission. Motion by D. Peterson, second by Dillbeck to accept this appointment. Roll call votes: Kness – aye, Gregory – aye, Dillbeck – aye, T. Gibeau – aye, D. Peterson – aye, and B. Gibeau – aye. All votes were in favor, and the motion was carried.

Martin Allen present concerning the refund of his deposit for the demolition /excavation permits (13 @ \$100 each) for the PDC test wells that were done for oil tank leaks. Mr. Allen stated that PDC had been fired and another company, LANTEC from Davenport, Iowa, had taken over, but that a waiver of the permit verification on the holes should be done. The Board asked Mr. Allen to talk to this company , check on the holes, and get something in writing from them. The matter was tabled until the June 2009 meeting.

Police Chief Brendal presented the April 2009 Police Report. He reported 69,000 miles on the squad, repairs made on the squad, junk vehicle violations, trash and yard violations, and presented a Police Chief employment contract for four years.

President Peterson stated that most employees are at will, but the Chief Brendal is willing to stay at his present salary for the next four years, that this does not change any police policy, and gives Chief Brendal job security as long as his duty is done correctly. The Board agreed that they could do raises if they so decided.

Motion by Kness, second by Dillbeck to go into Closed Session concerning personnel.

8:05 P.M. CLOSED SESSION

At 8:18 P.M. the meeting was opened.

Motion by Dillbeck, second by Kness to table the Police Chief contract until the next meeting. Roll call votes: T. Gibeau – aye, Kness – aye, Gregory – aye, Dillbeck –

aye, D. Peterson – aye, and B. Gibeau – aye. All votes were in favor, and the motion was carried.

The Board agreed to have Village Attorney Steele take care of the matter at 705 Main Street concerning the overgrown grass and stagnant water.

Chief Brendal reminded the Board that May is seat belt month.

President Peterson explained the emergency safety program, and that Chief Brendal, Fire Chief Scott Frenell, and himself will meet about the program. He also stated that the Board will be involved

Trustee Kness reported that a go-cart and 4-wheelers have been driving on the streets. The Board asked Police Chief Brendal to check into the matter.

Kevin Willems, Village Treasurer, present to give the annual treasurer's report.

Motion by Dillbeck, second by D. Peterson to accept the Fiscal Year 2008-2009 annual treasurer's report. Roll call votes: B. Gibeau – aye, D. Peterson – aye, Dillbeck – aye, T. Gibeau – aye, Kness – aye, and Gregory – aye.

Motion by Kness, second by Dillbeck to rehire Kevin Willems as treasurer for the next four years. Roll call votes: D. Peterson – aye, Dillbeck – aye, T. Gibeau – aye, Kness – aye, Gregory – aye, and B. Gibeau. All votes were in favor, and the motion was carried.

Motion by Peterson, second by Kness to hire Blucker, Kneer, and Associates as Village auditors. Roll call votes: Dillbeck – aye, D. Peterson – aye, Kness – aye, Gregory – aye, T. Gibeau – aye, and B. Gibeau – aye. All votes were in favor, and the motion was carried.

President Peterson reported that there was no news on the Newberry water situation, that Tony's Plumbing will start on the hydrants weather permitting, and the Board should consider whether to make an increase in water rates. Village Clerk Johnson reported that the Watertower Paint and Repair Company will be doing the annual maintenance on the watertower, and the CCR 2008 report had been completed.

Motion by Kness, second by Dillbeck to pass Ordinance Number 1, Series 2009, An Ordinance to Borrow Money (Sewer project). Roll call votes: B. Gibeau- aye, Kness – aye, Gregory – aye, D. Peterson – aye, Dillbeck – aye, and T. Gibeau – aye. All votes were in favor, and the motion was carried.

Motion by Dillbeck, second by Kness to pass Resolution Number 1, Series 2009 designating \$70,000 for the 2009 M.F.T. program for the oiling and chipping on the Village's north side streets by the Mercer County Highway Department. Roll call votes: Gregory – aye, Dillbeck – aye, D. Peterson – aye, B. Gibeau – aye, and T. Gibeau – aye. All votes were in favor, and the motion was carried.

President Peterson reported that there was a tile broke under a portion of the Gary McMullen property and sewerage came out and seeped onto the Gary Anderson property across Franklin Street. He stated that Tom Whiting fixed the tile, but the tube in that area needs to be lowered. The matter was tabled until the Street and Alley Committee or any Board member could look at the area and tube.

Sheila Shull present concerning water running to the waterway on the north side of her property, and that the drainage ditch needs weeds cut so that the water can get out of there without backing up. The Village Board stated that the ditch/waterway is the homeowner's property, not the Village's, but that the Village's Street and Alley Committee will check this area out and look at the culvert.

The Village received only one applicant for the maintenance position.

Motion by Dillbeck, second by Gregory to continue the maintenance person ad for two more weeks in the New Windsor Advertiser and the Times Record. Roll call votes: Gregory – aye, Kness – aye, Dillbeck – aye, T. Gibeau – aye, D. Peterson – aye, and B. Gibeau. All votes were in favor, and the motion was carried.

President Peterson stated that he had written down the general duties of the maintenance department.

The Board requested a Ball Park schedule from Trustee Kness.

President Peterson stated that the maintenance department wants to rent the back hoe from Tom Whiting at \$40 per hour.

The Board denied the request..

Motion by Kness, second by T. Gibeau to pay for a portable bathroom at the Ball Park back diamond for the months of May, June, and July ball season. Roll call votes: Kness – aye, T. Gibeau – aye, Gregory – aye, Dillbeck – aye, D. Peterson – aye, B. Gibeau. All votes were in favor, and the motion was carried.

Motion by Kness, second by D. Peterson to authorize the April 2009 bills. Roll call votes: Gregory – aye, Dillbeck – aye, D. Peterson – aye, B. Gibeau – aye, T. Gibeau – aye, and Kness – aye. All votes were in favor, and the motion was carried.

Trustee Dillbeck stated that he was checking into the meter on the Village's gas tank that calculates gallons per use, but the cumulative number is off.

Motion by Kness, second by Dillbeck to adjourn. Voice Votes: all votes were in favor, and the motion was carried. Meeting adjourned.

Claudine D. Johnson
Village Clerk