

JUNE 7, 2010
REGULAR MEETING
7 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: B. Gibeau, T. Gibeau, Kness, Gregory, Peterson and Johnson. Absent: Dillbeck.

Motion by B. Gibeau, second by Kness to accept the May 3, 2010 Regular Meeting Minutes. Roll call votes: Gregory – aye, B. Gibeau – aye, T. Gibeau – aye, and Kness – aye. All votes were in favor, and the motion was carried.

President Peterson stated that he will meet with Treasurer Willems to check the budget for cuts and increases. President Peterson appointed Trustee B. Gibeau to the Budget Committee along with Committee Members Gregory and Dillbeck. The Budget Committee set their Budget/Appropriations meeting for Tuesday, June 22, 2010 at 6:30 P.M. at the Village Hall.

Police Chief Brendal presented the May 2010 Police Report. He reported 85,669 miles on the squad, citations were issued, that he has not found a squad grant, but Fyre Lake has a 13,000 mile squad for sale that is being put out for bids, and he felt that \$10,000 was a fair bid. Chief Brendal recommended putting in a bid, but the Village could wait on a squad until 2011. Chief Brendal stated that he purchased a new printer for the police department, and donated a picnic table that is placed by the basketball court/ tennis court

President Peterson stated that there may need to be a reduction in the Village's police force. Chief Brendal reported that Officer Unsworth had resigned, because he was hired by the Mercer County Department, and that Officer Jaros has indicated that he would like to resign, because at this time he does not need the extra hours. Chief Brendal stated that he had asked Officer Jaros to stay, and he has not officially quit. Chief Brendal stated that Officer Meier works one day a month, and Officer Nichols is also working for Mercer County.

President Peterson stated that he would meet with Chief Brendal about police hours.

President Peterson reported that the Village has had a lot of people abandon their houses or properties. He stated that some were Scott Dillman, the Allen storage tanks, Lynn Coon, the ravine on Mercer Street, but that the New Windsor Fair and Rodeo Association has mowed and bailed their property. President Peterson stated that he would not use the Village's mower to mow the Dillman property or the Allen property due to the height of the grass and weeds. President Peterson informed the Board that he called Rod McCaw to do those yards, and that he had discussed this with the Village's Attorney Steele. President Peterson stated that he wants the authority to hire Rod

McCaw or an outside source to mow such problem areas, and that Attorney Steele agrees with him.

Motion by B. Gibeau, second by Kness to authorize President Peterson to hire any outside source, such as Rod McCaw,, when there is a violation of the ordinance (8"tall) with proper notice having been given by the Village. Roll call votes: Kness – aye, T. Gibeau – aye, B. Gibeau – aye, and Gregory – aye. All votes were in favor, and the motion was carried.

The Board noted that liens would be placed on these properties.

President Peterson stated that he had talked to Village Attorney Steele on the Allen's property where the bulk plant had been, because Allen's were told not to mow this property. Attorney Steele stated that property goes to the one who had the last tax bill. President Peterson reminded the Board of a gas leak there two years ago, and that is why they will not mow. Attorney Steele stated that Judy Allen's attorney, Karl Bredburg, wrote to him with the information that this is the only property owned by the Allen family, and they have abandoned this property and let it go back on taxes.

President Peterson stated that Judy Allen had been informed by Mr. Bredburg that mowing disturbs the dirt. The Board agreed that the Village does not want this property.

President Peterson reported that he is concerned with putting in the sewer in such areas where there has been gas leaks , because of disturbing the dirt. He said that he has talked to Village Attorney Steele and Engineer John Roegiers about this , and that Mr. Roegiers would send a letter to the E.P.A. about this and have them send a letter to the Village stating that the area was okay to proceed with the sewer. President Peterson stated that the EPA needs to talk to the EPA about the problem, and the Village is on hold with the sewer project, while Mr. Roegiers tries to figure something out and resolve the problem in writing.

President Peterson stated that Maintenance Person Richard Bland would be gone next week, and the Village would use Steve Brooks if necessary.

President Peterson reported that Missman, Stanley, and Associates Engineers for the sewer project would be starting to go door to door for basement elevations.

President Peterson reported that he had talked to Lisa Miller of Bi-State and the new maps should be coming.

President Peterson reported that Tom Whiting has a list of projects, but due to budget restraints that have been shut down, and Mr. Whiting was suppose to come to this meeting to report on Sheila Shull's ditch and Jason Jones' water problem where he wants to dig a ditch to relieve the water. President Peterson stated that Jason Jones was to come up with a plan and present it for permission to do the work, and get a demolition/excavation permit.

President Peterson stated that Tom Whiting was to report on the culvert north of the Village Hall. Sheila Shull was present concerning the water drainage problem. President Peterson stated that the Board is very aware where the water is coming from, Main Street and Fifth Avenue, and that over grown weeds and grass are in that ditch. Sheila Shull complained about the back up of water. President Peterson directed Wilbur Brooks, present of the maintenance department, to weed eat and spray the ditch. President Peterson told Sheila Shull that he would talk to Tom Whiting and then let her know what they come up with.

President Peterson talked to Jacque Winston of Ameren IP, and the Village has one more month before the contract/ordinance must be done.

Motion by Kness, second by B. Gibeau to pass Ordinance Number 2, Series 2010, Prevailing Wages. Roll call votes: T. Gibeau – aye, Kness – aye, B. Gibeau – aye, Gregory – aye. All votes were in favor, and the motion was carried.

Motion by Kness, second by B. Gibeau to pass Ordinance Number 3, Series 2010, Water Ordinance Amendment raising rates. Roll call votes: Gregory – aye, Kness – aye, T. Gibeau – aye, and B. Gibeau – aye. All votes were in favor, and the motion was carried.

Motion by Kness, second by T. Gibeau to pass Resolution Number 1, Series 2010 for the Emergency Program. Roll call votes: Gregory – aye, B. Gibeau – aye, T. Gibeau – aye, and Kness – aye. All votes were in favor, and the motion was carried.

Motion by Kness, second by T. Gibeau to authorize the May, 2010 bills. Roll call votes: B. Gibeau – aye, T. Gibeau – aye, Kness – aye, and Gregory – aye. All votes were in favor, and the motion was carried.

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

Claudine D. Johnson, Village Clerk