

JANUARY 2, 2012

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: Loving, Trout (7:10 P.M.), Schmitt, Gibeau, Kness, Peterson, and Johnson. Absent: James.

Motion by Schmitt, second by Kness to accept the December 5, 2011 regular meeting minutes. Roll call votes: Loving – aye, Kness – aye, Gibeau – aye, and Schmitt – aye. All votes were in favor, and the motion was carried.

Police Chief Stotts presented the December police report. He reported 112,145 miles on the squad, ninety calls for service, twenty-four tickets, seventeen warnings, 1 domestic call, new laws, and vehicles. Chief Stotts also reported that there is a 2008 squad at a cost of \$16,500 with \$2,000 trade in for the Village's squad, all police equipped, and a cost of \$300 to transfer lights available. Chief Stotts stated that it was something to think about, but no grants are available at this time. He also stated that he had talked with the Police Chief of Aledo, and they are ready to get three new squads. The Board requested that Chief Stotts check with Aledo to see what they would have and the cost. Chief Stotts reported that the Village's squad had a new battery put in, and he and President Peterson checked the snow routes in the Village.

Scott Kammerman present of Missman, as engineer for the sewer project. He stated that Village Attorney Steele had given him direction on the wording of the easements, and they are on his desk getting ready for the Village to sign off on. President Peterson stated that he hopes to meet with the new USDA manager, and there are two new people on the easement list, Tim Partlow and Bob Tomlinson.

Motion by Schmitt, second by Kness to pass Ordinance Number 6, 2011/12, Telecommunications Amendment increase. Roll call votes: Kness – aye, Gibeau – aye, Schmitt – aye, Loving – aye, and Trout – aye. All votes were in favor, and the motion was carried.

President Peterson reported that there was no new information on the maintenance hoist , and the snow plow was put on the old way.

The Board reviewed the Special Use Permit request by Joe Adams for an apartment in the Hardware Store. The Board noted that the apartment was a loft in back of the store, but not in the store part nor visible from the store. The Board noted that there were no complaints by other businesses, that the Zoning Board had stipulated a review of the permit each year, and that consideration was taken in the safety aspect of it being connected to Main Street. The Board stated that individual history could not be taken into consideration, and that the loft was there and made into an apartment.

Motion by Schmitt, second by Kness to pass Ordinance Number 7, 2011/12 allowing a Special Use Permit to Joe Adams. Roll call votes: Schmitt – nay, Kness – aye, Loving – aye, Trout – aye, Gibeau – aye. Four Ayes, one nay, the motion was carried.

Motion by Kness, second by Gibeau to purchase Wheel Tax stickers for 2012. Roll call votes: Loving – aye, Kness – aye, Gibeau – aye, Trout – aye, and Schmitt – aye. All votes were in favor, and the motion was carried.

President Peterson reappointed John Carlson and Rick Olson to the Zoning Board of Appeals for five year terms each.

Motion by Schmitt, second by Kness to donate \$250 to the Mercer County Youth Service Bureau. Roll call votes: Schmitt – aye, Kness – aye, Gibeau – aye, Trout – aye, and Loving – aye. All votes were in favor, and the motion was carried.

Motion by Schmitt, second by Kness to authorize the December 2011 bills. Roll call votes: Trout – aye, Loving – aye, Kness – aye, Gibeau – aye, and Schmitt – aye. All votes were in favor, and the motion was carried.

Motion by Schmitt, second by Kness to adjourn. Voice Votes: All votes were in favor, and the motion was carried. The meeting was adjourned.

Claudine D. Johnson, Village Clerk