

DECEMBER 1, 2014

7 P.M. REGULAR MEETING

Regular meeting of the Village Board held at the Village Hall and called to order by President Schmitt with the following members present: Trout, Whiting, Kness, Schmitt, and Johnson. Absent: Loving and Gibeau  
Mike Peterson present as sewer liaison.

Motion by Kness, second by Trout to accept the November 3, 2014 regular meeting minutes. Roll call votes: Trout – aye, Whiting – aye, Kness – aye, and Schmitt – aye. All votes were in favor, and the motion was carried.

Chief Stotts presented the November 2014 Police Report. He reported 99 calls, 11 call outs, 17 tickets, 14 warnings, 2 events, and 96,466 miles on the Durango squad, 140,779 on the Impala squad, Part time Officer Anthony Johnson resigning tomorrow, Part time Officer Meier and Chief Stotts the only two officers and Mercer County, and the Durango squad in good shape. The Board agreed that Chief Stotts and Officer Meier along with Mercer County will cover the Village.

President Schmitt reported that the snow routes are all clear for the snow plow.

The Board agreed to have the Main Street sidewalks clear for snow removal, and that the Fire Department will be cleaning sidewalks again this year. The Board agreed to make a donation to the fire Department if they remove snow, and also have access to the Village's snow blower.

President Schmitt stated that the tractor was together, Christmas decorations up, and not sure on a tarp, but President Schmitt gave his authorization to get a tarp for the sand and gravel. Also, the maintenance department found out about sand and salt mix from Rio Township at a cost of \$33 a load, and the maintenance has new blocks for storage.

The Board agreed to have the military flags at the Depot Park replaced by the Legion.

Michael Peterson present concerning the sewer. He had contacted the USDA and the CDAP survey was finished, and Bi-State sent their report. He also found other sources of funding for residents such as HUD, and USDA programs and Veterans and Disability programs that should be reported to low income residents. He stated that this can be done on the computer or through Mercer County. Mr. Peterson stated that on November 25, 2014 a final report from Bi-State was received stating that the Village qualified for the \$450,000 grant application from

CDAP. He would like the Village Board to consider a payment schedule and a drop box at the Hall. President Schmitt stated that a security system would help.

Motion by Schmitt, second by Whiting to purchase new water meters, approximately 24, read out style. Roll call votes: Kness – aye, Whiting – aye, Trout – aye, and Schmitt – aye. All votes were in favor, and the motion was carried.

Mr. Peterson stated that next month he would look into water usage rates.

Motion by Kness, second by Schmitt to accept the Village's 2013-2014 audit as prepared by Blucker and Kneer auditors. Roll call votes: Trout – aye, Whiting – aye, Kness – aye, and Schmitt – aye. All votes were in favor, and the motion was carried.

Motion by Kness, second by Trout to make a MFT Resolution for use of MFT funds of minor drainage \$3,000, snow removal \$5,000, and all other categories \$4,000. Roll call votes: Whiting – aye, Schmitt – aye, Trout – aye, and Kness – aye. All votes were in favor, and the motion was carried.

Motion by Trout, second by Kness to do the Governor's proclamation for IDOT'S Division of Transportation Safety. Roll call votes: Trout – aye, Kness – aye, Whiting – aye, and Schmitt – aye. All votes were in favor, and the motion was carried.

Motion by Kness, second by Trout to donate \$25 to the Sherrard School District Operation Santa. Roll call votes: Schmitt – aye, Kness – aye, Whiting – aye, and Trout – aye. All votes were in favor, and the motion was carried.

The Board noted that the Christmas Walk would be December 12, 2014 from 3 P.M. to 6 P.M.

Motion by Kness, second by Schmitt to authorize the November 2014 bills. Roll call votes: Kness – aye, Whiting – aye Trout – aye, and Schmitt – aye. All votes were in favor, and the motion as carried.

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

Claudine D. Johnson, Village Clerk