

REGULAR MEETING

FEBRUARY 6, 2017 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, Devlin, Willems, Whiting, Kness, Peterson, and Johnson. Absent: none.

Motion by Kness, second by Devlin to accept the January 2, 2017 minutes. Roll call votes: Kness – aye, Loving – aye, Willems – aye, Devlin – aye, Trout – aye, and Whiting – aye. All votes were in favor, and the motion was carried.

Police Chief Hicks presented the January 2017 Police Report. He reported 81 contacts made, 8 traffic stops, 6 traffic citations, 20 residence checks, 30 business checks, 1 911 call, 1 suspicious subject, 1 violation of order of protection, 1 assist to Mercer County, 1 medical assist, 1 domestic dispute, 2 disorderly conducts, 1 loose dog complaint, 1 civil complaint, 3 citizen assists, 2 phone harassment complaints, 2 arrests, 112,065 miles on the Dodge squad and 142,239 miles on the Chevy squad.

President Peterson stated that the Village's ordinance does not have tarping vehicles in it, but Village Attorney Steele stated that the ordinance on vehicles is O.K. Chief Hicks stated that he and Attorney Steele will check into tarps and the truck full of junk and the ordinance about covering vehicles. Chief Hicks stated that vehicles cannot park and then be covered, and would clarify antique vehicles in the ordinance.

President Peterson asked about scheduling the part time officers and Chief Hicks stated that there were no problems. President Peterson instructed Trustee Devlin, the Chairman of the Police Committee, to hold a committee meeting with Chief Hicks.

President Peterson reported that Kirk Doonan, the Mayor of Viola, has contacted him concerning grant money available for Villages in Mercer County. President Peterson asked Chief Hicks to check into these funds for a new squad.

Trustee Kness stated that the semi-trucks are speeding through the Village very fast during the day, Chief Hicks stated he will check into that problem.

President Peterson stated that Ameren Illinois workers behind Allen's Service are breaking up 5th and 6th Avenues, but that when they are done they told him they would take care of the streets. President Peterson stated that Ameren will maintain the streets and clean up the mud.

President Peterson reported that Eric Daves has signed his easement and agreement for the sewer project Also, President Peterson will hold a meeting with the USDA, Attorney Steele, Engineer Kammerman, John Carlson, Bi-State's Lindsay Whitison, Village Clerk Johnson, and himself on February

17, 2017 at the Village Hall. He reported that there is no news on the CDAP Grant and the ADA Checklist will be turned in at that meeting.

President Peterson announced that there will be a Mercer County Health Department meeting on February 22, 2017.

President Peterson reported that Village Attorney Steele has sent notice to Michael Chezum concerning his house and property on Walnut Street, and Chief Hicks needs to take pictures of the property.

Village Clerk Johnson reported that Blake Kallenbach had a hearing on his water account #129 that is delinquent. Mr. Kallenbach had requested the hearing after he had received his shut-off notice. Clerk Johnson stated that Mr. Kallenbach understood the meter readings and payments due and stated he would pay the bill. President Peterson stated that he had looked at Mr. Kallenbach's assets, such as cars, a boat, and stated that the Village would work with anyone on a valid agreement for payment on their water bill. Clerk Johnson reported that Mrs. Kallenbach signed an agreement to pay \$10 every two weeks. President Peterson said that he would talk to Attorney Steele about a notification that would be a percentage of what was due the Village instead of too low of a payment where the resident would not be able to get out of the debt. President Peterson stated he would talk with Attorney Steele about this problem, and the Board agreed. The Board tabled the percent amount on payments until further information was received.

President Peterson stated that the mower will be traded in the Spring, and the playground equipment will be repaired then, too.

President Peterson stated that the tree work would be done in the Spring.

Motion by Devlin, second by Trout to donate \$25 to the SADD Chapter of Sherrard High School for Post Prom. Roll call votes: Loving – aye, Trout – aye, Devlin – aye, Willems – aye, Whiting – aye, and Kness – aye. All votes were in favor, and the motion was carried.

President Peterson reported that a new heater had been put in the maintenance building.

Motion by Devlin, second by Kness to authorize the January 2017 bills. Roll call votes: Trout – aye, Whiting – aye, Willems – aye, Devlin – aye, Kness – aye, and Loving – aye. All votes were in favor, and the motion was carried.

The Board agreed that Kole Frenell must notify President Peterson if he is going to clean the Main Street sidewalks from snow. The Board agreed that this will be the last time the snow removal will be done by him.

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