

NOVEMBER 6, 2017

REGULAR MEETING 6 P.M.

Regular meeting of the Village Board held at the Village Hall and called to order by President Starcevich with the following members present: Loving, Willems, Whiting, Welch, Starcevich, and Johnson. Absent: Devlin.

Motion by Willems, second by Starcevich to accept the October 2, 2017 minutes. Voice Votes: all votes were in favor, and the motion was carried.

Motion by Starcevich, second by Willems to authorize the October 2017 bills. Voice Votes: all votes were in favor, and the motion was carried.

President Starcevich stated that the recycling trailer always was full, and the Village should check for a bigger one. Mike Garber, present, of the Maintenance Department reported that the trailer is emptied twice a week on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

Mr. Richard Herbert present concerning the trees behind his shed being removed. President Starcevich stated that he had talked to Troy Nimrick of the Rodeo Association, since the Rodeo Association owns the land adjacent to Mr. Herbert, and Mr. Nimrick recommended that the Board talk to Brent Peterson, President of the Rodeo Association. Trustee Willems said that he would talk to A.J. Streeter, also a member of the Rodeo Association about the ownership of the land that Mr. Herbert is stating is Village property, but may be Rodeo Association property and removing the trees.

Mr. Herbert inquired about the sewer project, and President Starcevich told him that there will be a meeting later this month, and the bids let later this month with a spring start.

Mike Garber of the Maintenance Department reported that next week he and Steve Brooks will put the picnic tables under the shelter, take the flags down, and after Thanksgiving, put up the Christmas decorations. He said that he has been patching, spreading rock, and will contact the telephone company to use their truck to assist in putting up the decorations. He also will get the snow plow out to put on the truck.

Trustee Whiting stated that he will check on the pipe behind the Jeff Anderson property.

President Starcevich reported that the audit will take place sometime this month, and Mike Halpin, the Village's new attorney, is meeting with Phil Steele, the Village's former attorney.

President Starcevich stated that he had checked on a three year loan at 3.2% interest at the Aledo bank for the purchase of a new F250 truck for the Maintenance Department. He would like the Village to trade every three years and keep the Village's equipment in good shape so that the Village

looks better. He stated that the ceiling cost of the truck is \$35,000 (Reynolds Ford) and a sprayed on bed liner would be \$500. Trustee Willems said that the Village should check with the Farmers State Bank of Western Illinois in the Village, to keep business local even if the percentage rate was 4 – 4.5 %.

Motion by Whiting, second by Starcevich to purchase an F250 truck at a cap price of \$35,000, 1 year loan with interest not more than 4.5% (or match 3.5%) with the Village paying a down payment of $\frac{1}{2}$ from the Water Department and $\frac{1}{2}$ from the General Fund and compare payments on a monthly or yearly basis and a snow plow, logo and lights. Voice Votes: all votes were in favor, and the motion was carried.

Trustee Willems said the Water Committee would meet, Monday, November 13, 2017 at 5:30 P.M. at the Village Hall to discuss water bills, catching the date up on billing and turning off water.

Interim Chief Brendal present to give the October Police Department report. He reported 16 calls for service, 1 physical arrest, 4 traffic stops, 4 warnings, 2 citations, 143,318 miles on the Impala squad, 117,022 miles on the Durango squad, Officers Nichols and Brendal went to training on narcotic requirements, recertified on hazardous materials, and blood borne pathogens. He also stated that an ink cartridge was purchased for the police printer, Officer Starcavich worked the Trunk or Treat event, and Officers Nichols and Brendal worked Halloween with no incidents. Chief Brendal stated that he was checking into purchasing a video system for the Village Hall at his cost. The Board stated that they would purchase the system.

President Starcavich asked Chief Brendal about the Village doing its own tickets. Chief Brendal stated that the Village can't actually do that, because all traffic tickets are to be recorded with the Secretary of State and Mercer County can do that at the Court House. He also said that if someone were to fight the ticket, the Village would have to have their attorney handle the matter and rent the Court House and pay the officers. President Starcevich asked Chief Brendal to check into Village Ordinances.

Trustee Welch reported that the Jim Adams house on North Fourth Avenue is still a mess. Chief Brendal stated he was working on it, but Mr. Adams had been in jail, but he would check on the property.

Trustee Willems said he would check on the power at the Depot Park for outlets for the Christmas tree fest.

President Starcevich presented several logos for the Village

Motion by Starcevich, second by Loving to pay Lindsey Llanas for the graphic design in the amount of \$150.00.

President Starcevich stated that he had put the required papers on the Hall's door and at the Post Office stating the sewer project would not be on any Indian burial grounds.

President Starcevich called for a Special Meeting of the Board and the USDA Lorali Heintzelman, Bi-State Lindsay Whitson, Engineer Scott Kammerman, possibly attorney Mike Halpin, John Carlson, and the entire Board for Monday, November 27, 2017 at 6 P.M.

President Starcevich reported that the ADA report still needs to be done.

Motion by Whiting, second by Starcevich to purchase a pull saw for the Maintenance Department to cut limbs at a cost of \$650-\$700 at Hoffman's in Aledo. Voice votes: all votes were in favor, and the motion was carried. The Board also agreed to purchase safety glasses and oil for the saw.

President Starcevich stated he would get a price on chairs and filing cabinets for the Village Hall for next month.

Motion by Starcevich, second by Welch to hire Lance Mayhew to start a Village web site at a cost of \$125 a month. Voice votes: all votes were in favor, and the motion was carried.

Trustee Willems reported the Trustee Devlin had talked to him about Mrs. Kovacic having cancer and being off work, and wondering if the Village could wipe out her water bill balance, and then they would have to keep their balance up to date. The Board did not agree to the request, since there have been many water customers with problems that have not been accommodated in that way.

Motion by Whiting, second by Starcevich to donate \$100 to the New Windsor Christmas walk. Voice Votes: all votes were in favor, and the motion was carried. The Christmas Walk will be December 8, 2017 from 3 P.M. to 6 P.M.

Motion by Whiting, second by Starcevich to rescind the Ordinance requiring Village dog tags. Voice Votes: all votes were in favor, and the motion was carried.

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

Claudine D. Johnson, Village Clerk