

VILLAGE BOARD MEETING
Bethalto, IL
December 10, 2018

The Village Board of Trustees met on the above date in the Council Room at Village Hall in a regular meeting called to order by Mayor Winslow at 7:15 p.m. The meeting opened with the “Pledge of Allegiance”. Roll call was taken by Village Clerk Sue Lowrance. Present: Trustees Mull, Bost, Dugger, McRae, Gibbons, Buhs, and Mayor Winslow. Also present: Police Chief Craig Welch, Public Works Director Rod Cheatham, Village Attorney Ken Balsters, Fire Chief Alex Campbell, Asst. Fire Chief James Schulte, Village Treasurer Joe Hughes, and Public Works employee Kasey Govero.

Motion made by Buhs, seconded by Dugger, to approve village board minutes of November 12, 2018 as printed. All members voted aye viva voce. Motion carried 6-0.

REPORTS FROM DEPARTMENTAL SUPERVISORS:

Fire Chief Alex Campbell reviewed the statistical report for the month of November, noting 92 calls; there was one car fire and three mutual aid structure fires. The year-to-date call count stands at 949. The new Tahoe #2295 is in service. Trucks 2211 and 2212 will be tested this month. Two volunteers have resigned, leaving the volunteer count at 21. Four additional part-timers have been offered positions. Morale is good at the department and the part-timer program is running smoothly. The department is hosting a blood drive on December 31, with free t-shirts for all donors. A cardiac arrest event last week resulted in a long-term save; the patient is now home and recuperating. There were no questions.

Police Chief Welch presented the monthly activity report for November. Overdoses continue to be an issue, not just locally but state-wide. Illinois has one of the worst opioid death rates in the United States. Welch stated that the availability of Narcan facilitates the issue. Trustee Gibbons noted that since the drugs are so readily prescribed a person can see how addictions can occur. There were no questions.

Public Works Director Cheatham presented his departmental reports. Surveying for work on N. Prairie has begun. The street sweeper has been repaired after three weeks waiting for parts. There have been five snow events with a snow total of 7.5", 56 tons of salt and 79 manhours were used during these events and no traffic accidents were reported. Parks crews spent the month working on Christmas decorations and remodeling the office at the Fish Stand and the bandstand bathrooms. Memorial benches are being installed at Bryant Park and the Sports Complex. All lift stations are now on SCADA and only one is still in need of a generator. There were no questions.

GUESTS/PUBLIC COMMENT:

John Callison of 928 Mill Street addressed the board regarding the condition of his driveway after a water line was repaired. He has been trying to get the situation rectified since September, 2017 to no avail. PW Director Cheatham will follow up with Callison to see what has happened and what repairs may need to be completed.

RESOLUTIONS

Resolution 2018-32 A Resolution Authorizing Execution of Intergovernmental Agreement with Granite City was presented. This authorizes the Village to sell our retired Animal Control truck to Granite City for \$1. We've always had a good relationship with Granite City and their auxiliary police always assist with our annual Homecoming, so Mayor Winslow believes this is a good gesture on our part, as otherwise the vehicle would be scrapped. **Motion made by Mull, seconded by Buhs, to approve Resolution 2018-32 A Resolution Authorizing Execution of Intergovernmental Agreement with Granite City.** Trustees Mull, Bost, Dugger, McRae, Gibbons and Buhs voted aye; nays none. Motion carried 6-0.

Resolution 2018-33 A Resolution Authorizing Execution of Second Amendment to Lease Agreement was presented. This authorizes an agreement with Cingular Wireless/AT&T to allow them to install a backup generator on their existing equipment as shown in the attached exhibit. The lease payment would increase to \$25,000 annually beginning in 2019. **Motion made by Gibbons, seconded by Dugger, to approve Resolution 2018-33 A Resolution Authorizing Execution of Second Amendment to Lease Agreement.** Trustees Mull, Bost, Dugger, McRae, Gibbons and Buhs voted aye; nays none. Motion carried 6-0.

Resolution 2018-34 was tabled pending receipt of the required 60 percent of homeowners' signatures for the amendment to pass.

ORDINANCES

Ordinance 2018-18 An Ordinance Adopting a Policy Prohibiting Sexual Harassment was presented. This is an update to a previously adopted ordinance; the only change is that charges can now be filed up to 300 days from the date of the incident (changed from 180). **Motion made by Buhs, seconded by McRae, to adopt Ordinance 2018-18 An Ordinance Adopting a Policy Prohibiting Sexual Harassment.** Trustees Mull, Bost, Dugger, McRae, Gibbons and Buhs voted aye; nays none. Motion carried 6-0.

Ordinance 2018-19 Salary Ordinance for 2018-2019 was presented. This reflects pay increases for police and non-union employees only, as the Public Works contract is still pending. No changes are reflected for Public Works. **Motion made by Mull, seconded by Bost, to approve Ordinance 2018-19 Salary Ordinance 2018-2019.** Trustees Mull, Bost, Dugger, McRae, Gibbons and Buhs voted aye; nays none. Motion carried 6-0.

Ordinance 2018-20 An Ordinance Amending Chapter 21 Article II Liquor Licenses was presented. This increases the number of allowed Class B licenses to two, to allow Eagles Nest Restaurant to obtain a Class B license. **Motion made by Mull, seconded by Dugger, to approve Ordinance 2018-20 An Ordinance Amending Chapter 21 Article II Liquor Licenses.** Trustees Mull, Bost, Dugger, McRae, Gibbons and Buhs voted aye; nays none. Motion carried 6-0.

REPORTS FROM THE MAYOR:

Village offices will be closed December 24 & 25 for Christmas and January 1 for New Year's Day.

Bids were received for media replacement for the filters at the water plant. Bids came in lower than expected, with the lowest bid coming from a company who specializes in these projects. All Service Contracting was the low bidder at \$152,035.00. **Motion made by Gibbons, seconded by Buhs, to accept the low bid of All Service Contracting for media replacement for water plant filters.** Trustees Mull, Bost, Dugger, McRae, Gibbons and Buhs voted aye; nays none. Motion carried 6-0.

MONTHLY ZONING ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:

Zoning Administrator Brown was not in attendance but had submitted his monthly report. There were no questions.

MONTHLY TREASURER'S REPORT:

The November, 2018 Treasurer's Report was presented by Treasurer Hughes. Revenue and expenses were reviewed along with fund balances. The Village's cash balance stands at \$2,226,428, which is down approximately \$200,000 from the end of October. There were no questions. **Motion made by Mull, seconded by Bost, to approve the Treasurer's Report**

for the month of November, 2018. Trustees Mull, Bost, Dugger, McRae, Gibbons and Buhs voted aye, nays none. Motion carried 6-0.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Due to the holidays, no committee meetings were set.

WATER DEPARTMENT BILLS

Motion by Buhs, seconded by Dugger, authorizing payment of the Water Department bills in the amount of \$202,716.78. Trustees Mull, Bost, Dugger, McRae, Gibbons and Buhs voted aye, nays none. Motion carried 6-0.

GENERAL FUND

Motion by Bost, seconded by Mull, authorizing payment of bills in the amount of \$158,978.24. Trustees Mull, Bost, Dugger, McRae, Gibbons and Buhs voted aye, nays none. Motion carried 6-0.

LIABILITY FUND

Motion by Mull, seconded by Dugger, authorizing payment of bills in the amount of \$3,864.00. Trustees Mull, Bost, Dugger, McRae, Gibbons and Buhs voted aye, nays none. Motion carried 6-0.

AUDIT FUND

Motion by Gibbons, seconded by Mull, authorizing payment of bills in the amount of \$13,836.50. Trustees Mull, Bost, Dugger, McRae, Gibbons and Buhs voted aye, nays none. Motion carried 6-0.

MFT FUND

Motion by Bost, seconded by Mull, authorizing payment of bills in the amount of \$5,332.63. Trustees Mull, Bost, Dugger, McRae, Gibbons and Buhs voted aye, nays none.
Motion carried 6-0.

GARBAGE FUND

Motion by Mull, seconded by Gibbons, authorizing payment of bills in the amount of \$64,097.26. Trustees Mull, Bost, Dugger, McRae, Gibbons and Buhs voted aye, nays none.
Motion carried 6-0.

TIF FUND

Motion by Mull, seconded by Gibbons, authorizing payment of bills in the amount of \$103,974.93. Trustees Mull, Bost, Dugger, McRae, Gibbons and Buhs voted aye, nays none.
Motion carried 6-0.

The next regularly scheduled meeting will be January 14, 2019 at 7:00pm for the water board, 7:15pm for the village board.

Motion made by Gibbons, seconded by Buhs, to enter into Executive Session pursuant to ILCS 2 (c) (2) Collective Bargaining. Trustees Mull, Bost, Dugger, McRae, Gibbons and Buhs voted aye, nays none. Entered into Executive Session at 8:01pm.

Re-entered into regular session at 8:16pm. Having no further business, a **Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Mull, seconded by Gibbons.** All voted aye viva voce. Meeting adjourned at 8:16pm.

Sue E. Lowrance, Village Clerk

Alan Winslow, Mayor