

VILLAGE BOARD MEETING
Bethalto, IL
February 6, 2017

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 Withers, Mull, Bost, Dugger, McRae, and Mayor Winslow. Also present: Police Chief Gregg Smock, Public Works Director Rod Cheatham, Village Attorney Ken Balsters, Fire Chief Alex Campbell, and Zoning Administrator Tim Brown.

Motion made by Withers, seconded by Mull, to approve village board minutes of January 3, 2017 as printed. All members voted aye viva voce. Motion carried 5-0.

REPORTS FROM DEPARTMENTAL SUPERVISORS:

Fire Chief Alex Campbell reviewed the statistical report for the month of January, noting 79 total runs, 1 billed call and 1 no response call. The SCBA units are in and crews are being trained on them; they should be in operation at the end of February. Public Works crews are working on a facelift at the department with paint, new floors, and an updated kitchen. There were no questions.

Police Chief Smock: The monthly activity report was presented with no questions. All nine new vehicles are now on the road and the old units, which were traded in, should be picked up this week.

Public Works Director Cheatham presented his report: Flushing and inspecting of sewer lines in the Fairway & Grace area continues. Smoke testing was completed in the airport area with no major issues found—a few yard drains were tied into the system and Zoning Administrator Brown is sending letters to homeowners to get those remedied. Lift station maintenance continues. The Street Department is working on pothole repairs and leaf &

brush pickup. Two snow/ice events this month used 141 tons of salt, 185 gallons of fuel and 172 overtime hours. It was noted that there were zero traffic accidents during these events, and Mayor Winslow stated he received numerous compliments on the roads. In Parks, crews are continuing work on the Field of Dreams and Splash Pad concessions stands. The RFP for the Splash Pad should go out this week, as the pool has been demolished. Softball scheduling has begun. There were no questions.

GUESTS/PUBLIC COMMENT:

Tab Roberson of the Bethalto Jaycees was scheduled to be in attendance to ask for permission to use the park for their annual carnival. Trustees had a copy of the request in their monthly packets. Mr. Roberson was not in attendance, but discussion over use of the park ensued, with no problems noted last year. **Motion made by Mull, seconded by Dugger, to approve the Bethalto Jaycees use of Central Park for their carnival from May 18-21, 2017 provided an insurance certificate was received prior to the event.** Trustees Withers, Mull, Bost, Dugger and McRae voted aye, nays none. Motion carried 5-0.

RESOLUTIONS

There were no resolutions presented for consideration.

ORDINANCES

Ordinance 2017-04 An Ordinance Amending Chapter 21 Liquor Code was presented by Mayor Winslow. This deletes the section of the code which allows for a Class F Spa Liquor License. **Motion made by Bost, seconded by Withers, to approve Ordinance 2017-04 An Ordinance Amending Chapter 21 Liquor Code.** Trustees Withers, Mull, Bost, Dugger and McRae voted aye, nays none. Motion carried 5-0.

REPORTS FROM THE MAYOR:

Village offices will be closed on Monday, February 20 for Presidents' Day.

Bids were received for the Cured-in-Place Pipe (CIPP) project, with Visu-Sewer coming in with the low bid of \$104,655.25. This was much lower than our estimate and lower than Juneau's anticipated cost as well. PW Director Cheatham stated that this is a very reputable company that can start the project as soon as they are finished with their current job in St. Charles. Mayor Winslow noted that Juneau's estimate of \$250,000 was based on 15,000 feet of lining; this estimate is for 5,300 feet. It was noted that Juneau anticipated the lines to be worse than they turned out to be as well. Cheatham also noted that this company has stated they will do the 10" lines which are further down the system at the same price quoted for these 8" lines; it was noted that once we get to that point, it may still require re-bidding. **Motion made by McRae, seconded by Mull, to accept the low bid of \$104,655.25 from Visu-Sewer for the CIPP project.** Trustees Withers, Mull, Bost, Dugger and McRae voted aye, nays none. Motion carried 5-0.

PW Director Cheatham has requested to purchase a track loader for the department. This is not a budgeted item but is needed. Mayor Winslow stated that the PW Department is under-budget in a couple of areas that will more than cover this purchase. Cheatham stated that the Village currently rents a unit three to four times a year at the cost of \$3,000-5000 each rental. Cheatham stated that this will be a high-flow machine that will be useful for manhole repairs and clearing sewer and water line easements. It was noted that the track loader itself is \$68,000 and additional accessories, including "Mr. Manhole" and the mulch head for ground clearing would be an additional purchase. Mayor stated that the Village has a lot of sunken manholes that can be easily repaired with this machine. Discussion ensued regarding the purchase; the bobcat we have doing this type of work now is too small and dangerous to use; it is really not capable of doing what we need. Mayor noted that the water/sewer fund has a balance of \$593,000 currently. **Motion made by Mull, seconded by Bost, to approve the purchase of a compact track loader at state bid price.** Trustees Withers, Mull, Bost, Dugger and McRae voted aye, nays none. Motion carried 5-0.

Fire Chief Campbell again presented his request to purchase a passenger vehicle for the department. It was noted that all but \$10,500 of the expense could be covered with the funds “saved” with the SCBA bid coming in lower than expected. First National Bank is willing to finance the additional \$10,500, but Mayor Winslow suggests paying it outright rather than financing. Trustee McRae stated he would prefer to wait on the purchase until the next fiscal year, to see where the budget stands. Chief Campbell stated he will be asking for another vehicle with the next budget as well.

Mayor Winslow stated that the Plan Commission and Zoning Board will be meeting on Thursday, with several items on their agendas. Trustees were each mailed packets for those meetings.

MONTHLY ZONING ADMINISTRATOR’S REPORT:

Zoning Administrator Brown presented the monthly report. 3 Building Permits were issued this month, with a Cedarhurst permit valued at \$5.7 million. 25 occupancy permits were issued as well. Property maintenance issues are dealt with as they come in. 514 B Street has been sold but we are still pursuing demolition of the property. The hearing regarding the Edwards property on MacArthur Drive has been moved to April 2. Trustee Bost inquired about the progress of the building code; it was reported that things are moving along nicely. Dollar Tree will be opening very soon. There were no further questions.

MONTHLY TREASURER’S REPORT:

Treasurer Schoppet was not in attendance, so Mayor Winslow presented the December Treasurer’s Report. The December report shows a positive general fund balance. Winslow presented the cash flow report, noting a cash balance of \$581,819.86 as of today’s date. It was noted that this cash balance consisted of monies received from Plummer and the sale of property along Route 140. There were no questions. **Motion made by Bost, seconded by**

Mull, to approve the Treasurer's Report for the month of December, 2016. Trustees Withers, Mull, Bost, Dugger and McRae voted aye, nays none. Motion carried 5-0.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Committee meetings were set for Tuesday, February 21 at 6pm.

WATER DEPARTMENT BILLS

Motion by Mull, seconded by Dugger, authorizing payment of the Water Department bills in the amount of \$432,980.41. Trustees Withers, Mull, Bost, Dugger and McRae voted aye, nays none. Motion carried 5-0.

GENERAL FUND

Motion by Bost, seconded by McRae, authorizing payment of bills in the amount of \$163,494.20. Trustees Withers, Mull, Bost, Dugger and McRae voted aye, nays none. Motion carried 5-0.

LIABILITY FUND

Motion by Withers, seconded by Mull, authorizing payment of bills in the amount of \$9,004.00. Trustees Withers, Mull, Bost, Dugger and McRae voted aye, nays none. Motion carried 5-0.

MFT FUND

Motion by Bost, seconded by Mull, authorizing payment of bills in the amount of \$30,873.87. Trustees Withers, Mull, Bost, Dugger and McRae voted aye, nays none. Motion carried 5-0.

GARBAGE FUND

Motion by Mull, seconded by McRae, authorizing payment of bills in the amount of \$48,729.66. Trustees Withers, Mull, Bost, Dugger and McRae voted aye, nays none. Motion carried 5-0.

TIF FUND

Motion made by Withers, seconded by Mull, authorizing payment of bills in the amount of \$55.00. Trustees Withers, Mull, Bost, Dugger and McRae voted aye, nays none. Motion carried 5-0.

The next regularly scheduled meeting will be March 6, 2017 at 7:00pm water board, 7:15pm for the village board.

Having no further business, a **Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Mull, seconded by Bost.** All voted aye viva voce. Meeting adjourned at 7:52pm.

Sue E. Lowrance, Village Clerk

Alan Wi nslow, Mayor