

Village of Winslow

Village Board Meeting Minutes –April 2010

The Village of Winslow met in regular session and was called to order at 7:00 PM on Wednesday, April 14th, 2010 by Village President Robert Hastings. Members present were; Michael Milliken, Mary Marks, Al Thompson, Mindy Julius, Brandon Hastings, and John McCarthy. A quorum was established and the meeting proceeded. The audience is comprised of Randy Marks, Nick DiVenere, Amber Albright, Ken Rose, Penny Canon, Ron Webb, and Ken Nesemeier.

Mr. Hastings asked if there was a motion to approve the minutes of the March 10th meeting. Al Thompson moved and it was seconded by Michael Milliken to approve. The ayes have it and the minutes were approved.

Mr. Hastings asked if there was a motion to approve the financial report. Mary Marks moved and it was seconded by Michael Milliken to approve. The ayes have it and the financial report was approved.

Mr. Hastings asked if there was a motion to approve the pay order for the payment of bills. Al Thompson moved and it was seconded by Mary Marks to approve. Roll call was taken and the bills were approved.

Audience participation:

Ken Rose presented sidewalk bids to the board. The lowest bid was \$1427, but Ken would like to proceed with Rock Solid. Al Thompson motioned and it was seconded by Michael Milliken to pay half of the lowest bid. Roll call was taken and it was approved.

Ken Rose presented Amber Albright, who expressed desire to become village clerk. Brandon Hastings motioned and it was seconded John McCarthy to approve Amber Albright as the new village clerk to replace Pat Miller. Motion approved.

Penny Canon requested a reversal of the decision made at the March 2010 meeting to not allow her to have a second horse. John McCarthy motion to deny the request and keep the decision made at the March meeting and Al Thompson seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Randy Marks presented items that need to be repaired on the truck. Al Thompson made the motion to repair the tailgate, running lights, and the differential and Mary Marks seconded the motion. Roll call vote was taken and motion carried.

Randy Marks informed the board the village park needs gravel. Mike Milliken motioned and seconded by Mary Marks to get gravel for the village park. Roll call vote was taken and motion carried. Randy will check with the township to see if they will haul it.

Ken Nesemeier stated he needs an amendment for the animal ordinance. Ken Nesemeier handled the complaint about dogs. He distributed his monthly activity report.

Nick Divinere stated the water department is ok and the internet needs repair. He also stated he needs a phone, but was instructed to check with Mike Croup.

New Business:

The Crime Stop will have a booth at the Stephenson County Fair in July and would like to have help on July 16th.

There was discussion about hall rental to organizations. It was moved by Al Thompson and seconded by Mary Marks to not charge the American Legion Auxiliary for the use of the kitchen and dining room for the annual Legion appreciation supper. All were in favor.

The CD renewal will be at 1.5%.

They will leave loan for \$113,000 at 6.25% for ten years.

There was a complaint from a neighbor regarding the Wednesday night church kids. No action was taken.

Gay Johnson has purchased the Heise property at 245 Carver as 4/14/10.

A letter was received from O'Connor Brooks regarding the annual audit. Mike Milliken made a motion and Mary Marks seconded it to retain O'Connor Brooks for the 2011 audit at a cost of \$7,425. Roll call vote was taken and motion carried.

Barb Bunker requested a release of the second mortgage by the village. She requested a loan from a mortgage/finance company and the village would have the third mortgage. Al Thompson motioned and Mary Marks seconded to deny request for the release of the second mortgage to obtain a loan from a finance company with the village holding the third mortgage. Motion carried.

Streets, Sidewalks, Bridges, and Alleys: Brandon Hastings is getting the cost estimate for resurfacing and sidewalk replacement from Fehr Graham. He also presented letter regarding the bridge inspection.

Public Property, Sewer, and Water: Al Thompson informed the board there is \$262,000 available to use for sewer system and upgrade. TIF money can also be used.

Police, Public Health, and Welfare: Al Thompson commended Ken Nesemeier on a job well done.

Permits and License: Mary Marks notified I.C.E. and Cory's Pub that the license application is due by the May meeting. As Cory is moving out of town, he will need an agent.

Betty Douglas wants to put a gravel pad for a motor home and no permit is needed. Mary Marks will notify them.

A request was received for a temporary license for August 12, 13, 14, and 15 for Winslow River Days.

American Family Insurance wanted the village to pay the deductible for the accident on Taylor Street. It was the consensus of the board to deny the request to pay the deductible.

Mike Milliken, Al Thompson, and Randy Marks all agreed to check out tractors for the village.

Mindy Julius motioned and Brandon Hastings seconded to adjourn meeting at 9:25 P.M.

Robert Hastings, Village President

Pat Miller, Village Clerk