

Village of Winslow Village Board Meeting Minutes

7:10 PM Call to order by Mr. Croup,

Roll Call is taken...

Present: Kate Wire, Beverly McPhillips, Robert Hastings

Absent: Anna Coldiron, Brian Diffenderfer

Audience: Randy Marks, Nancy Miskimon, Steve Solace, Andy Youtzy, Marlin Mason, Ken Nesemeier, Sharon Mockridge, Kathy Mann (Winslow Treasurer), and Kevin Gille.

A quorum was declared and the meeting was started.

It was moved and seconded to accept the minutes of the previous month's meeting as printed. The Ayes have it, motion carries.

It was moved and seconded to accept the financial report as printed. The Ayes have it, motion carries.

Mr. Croup announced the public participation section of the meeting was now in session and introduced Sharon Mockridge as the first speaker of the night. Sharon introduced herself as a coordinator and communications specialist for the FHN Family Counseling Center. Her purpose tonight was the discussion of the recent beer keg registration ordinance recently passed by Stephenson County. Ultimately, the goal of their efforts is to get every community in Stephenson and Jo Daviess County to join with the City of Freeport in adoption of a local ordinance to require the registration of all beer kegs being sold. This is to have a desired result of abatement or lessening of under-age drinking. Mrs. Mockridge then answered questions that had arose in a previous discussion of this topic. It was decided that the Board would table any action on this until they had time to digest the handout materials and would readdress the issue with a tailored ordinance to review for the next meeting.

Randy Marks spoke next. He only had a few things to discuss. One was the issue of acts of nuisance littering in the downtown area. Officer Nesemeier is to address this issue with the violators the next evening while he is on duty. Another was an issue of abandoned vehicles. Ken had a response on one of the vehicles involved and was given specific direction from the Board as to how they wanted him to proceed. Another issue that was brought up was that of ATV's on the streets. One of the operators had been granted leniency for hardship purposes in the management of their agri-business. This was subject to change in the event of any evidence of abuse. Mr. Croup reminded everyone that this was against State law and that any practice of ATV traffic on the streets of Winslow should be terminated. Ken will pass the information on to known offenders.

Mrs. Nancy Miskimon was there to ask permission to hold a "special event" on the vacant lot next to Phil's Riverside Inn. They are planning an event for

September 29th that would include a DJ, a mechanical bull, and a fenced-in beer garden. She is to meet soon with Mr. Croup to go over the details of the event and prepare a plan to submit to the Board for their decision in the matter.

Mr. Steve Solace was present to learn more about a liquor license that was available in the Village of Winslow. He was told there would be further discussion on that topic later in the meeting.

Mr. Andy Youtzy was there out of his natural curiosity in the events of the community and to see if the issue of an abandoned car near his property could be addressed. The automobile issue will be dealt with by Officer Nesemeier.

Mr. Marlin Mason answered questions and went over his communication that had been previously delivered.

Officer Ken Nesemeier went over last month's events and covered his intentions for new developments presented to him tonight.

Mr. Kevin Gille was present to submit to the Board a re-application for a liquor license for G-G's Bar & Grill. Mr. Croup is to look into legal aspects of the re-issuance of the license. Mr. Gille was informed of what additional materials would be required for review and he would get them to Mr. Croup the next day.

Mr. Solace then also requested and filled out an application for the liquor license that remains open.

Each committee Chairman present was then asked if they had anything to report.

Mr. Hastings was the only one. He has concerns involving delinquent water accounts. Mr. Croup told him to get his committee to meet and let him know when it was and they would arrive at some solutions to the problems.

Mr. Hastings also brought up the matter of an updated proposal concerning the purchase of our old public works truck. It was agreed to sell the vehicle for the stated amount.

There was discussion over recent communication from the IL DCEO. There was also discussion over the future of funding and actions we have available to us.

With no further discussion, the Board then reviewed and approved payment of the monthly bills.

Mr. Croup adjourned the meeting at 10:15 PM.