

Village of Winslow Village Board Meeting

The Village Board met on August 8th, 2007 in regular session. Seeing a quorum present, President Beverly McPhillips called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. Mr. Croup took the Roll.

Members present: Al Thompson, Mary Marks, Robert Hastings,

Members absent: Amy Rowley, Russ Hanson, Brandon Hastings.

A motion was made by Mary Marks and seconded by Robert Hastings to approve the minutes of the last meeting. The ayes have it and the motion carries.

A question was had on the balance shown on the Park administration fund. It was resolved. It was moved by Robert Hastings and seconded by Al Thompson to approve the financial report. All were in favor and the motion carries.

Pay order review was begun and Mrs. McPhillips inquired as to whether the Board wanted to see the actual bills. Mr. Hastings replied in the affirmative. Mr. Croup brought in the invoices for each Board member to review. Al asked about the Commonwealth Edison bills. Mr. Croup explained how we separate the electric bills between general street lighting and water and wastewater pumping. A question was asked as to the usage of water testing facilities. Mr. Croup explained that we used both Lyons Labs and Suburban Labs depending on what the samples were being tested for. Mr. Hastings inquired as to the date of arrival on a letter concerning a meeting with Stephenson County. Mr. Croup explained that the meeting had been canceled and that notification would be coming for a rescheduled meeting in September. He then played a message from the person responsible for notification of the meeting. Mr. Hastings then suggested that Mrs. McPhillips be responsible for picking up the mail. It was agreed that Mrs. McPhillips would now be picking up the mail.

Mr. Hastings questions an invoice from the Fehr-Graham engineering firm. It was an invoice that did not indicate the contracted amount and Mr. Hastings deferred payment until verification could be made at a future meeting. The Board members would like to see invoices paid compared to the original contracted amount to see where we stand.

Mrs. McPhillips brought up the punch list which would require additional input from Board members. She inquired as to the status of the Safety Deposit Box. There was no awareness of anything being done at that time.

Discussion was had on the fill piles along Ivey Pond Trail.

Discussion was had on the figures of the 3rd pay request submitted by Fehr-Graham for Iowa Grant Trucking and what might be left after payment.

Mr. Croup went through original grant figures and adjustments made through the previous pay orders. Discussion and calculations were being made to try to determine where our obligations stand and where the balances laid. Mrs. McPhillips suggested that a meeting was needed with Jaynellen Holloway to answer these questions and more. The new Board members felt they were not understanding everything that was occurring and that they needed clarification on questions they had. Mrs. McPhillips and others felt that the invoices would go onto the pay order for this month but the release of monies would be contingent upon satisfaction of questions to be answered in the future meeting. Mr. Hastings brought up the unnecessary excavation of a hole for the installation of a valve that was already in existence and discovered by the excavators. Mrs. Marks suggested the possibility of a deduct. Mr. Thompson suggests we find the answers in the upcoming meeting. Mrs. Marks questions our obligations by the signing of the pay request before us.

The radio license and the new well house controls are now in our possession.

Matt Campbell arrives to pick up the 3rd pay request documentation from Mrs. McPhillips.

It is suggested that we meet on the next Tuesday evening to get answers from our Fehr-

Graham representative. Mrs. McPhillips calls Jaynellen and makes the arrangements for the meeting. The pay requests and the bid awarding documentation are circulated and reviewed. It is agreed that all questions will be answered at the Tuesday night meeting. Mr. Hastings wants to have all invoices concerning the Water Improvement Project available at the Tuesday meeting. It is moved and seconded that the Pay Order be approved with the contingency on payment to Fehr-Graham upon satisfaction of explanation of invoice and with the contingency on payment to IGT upon availability of funds in the grant fund. Beverly asks if there are any additions to the month's pay order. Mary asks about obtaining band funds of \$400 for the next meeting. Bob asked if Mike or Randy received a call from Julie concerning the marking of the dig site up at the 447 Hubbard service repair. JULIE called Randy and requested a mark-up at 451 Hubbard, not 447.

Mary moves and Al seconds a motion to approve the payment of the bills. Roll call is taken and the motion carries.

Michelle Chumbler is called upon and she has a concern with the condition of the sidewalk and berm in front of her home. She is concerned with safety issues as River Days is starting the following evening. She also wondered when her water meter readings were going to be addressed. She is tired of being estimated. Mike stated that he needed access to the basement and that he could replace the outside reader the next day. He would also call Jeff with IGT to see when he might be able to address the mess at 264 Carver and elsewhere.

The next order of business, Mrs. McPhillips suggests that we appoint Deanna Meyer to become the full-time Treasurer for the Village of Winslow. After many months of working with Kathy Mann, she is now ready to assume full responsibility. It is moved by Al Thompson and seconded by Mary Marks to approve Deanna Meyer as the Treasurer of the Village of Winslow. The ayes have it, all are in favor. Motion carries.

Bev asks how Mike is coming along with his water licensing. He will be able to test after one year and is currently reviewing materials that were provided to him by Mr. Mason. He will also check into what IRWA might have to offer.

Al is in communication with officer Nesemeier and discussion ensues covering this month's Marshal Summary.

There is discussion concerning the changes proposed concerning the 1st annual Poker Run at Wheel's Riverside Inn. Mike explains that their liability with the events on Village property is covered for a period of one year the way the rider was written up with Meyer insurance. We will be listed as additionally insured. Bob brings up lawnmower racing at Corey's establishment. Corey was to check with Jeff on listing the Village as additionally insured. Bob moves that we approve the event contingent on obtaining the proper coverage for the Village. It is seconded by Mary Marks. The ayes have it, motion carries.

Bob asked Mike if he got the water letters out and he affirmed all went out with the exception of two accounts. He was curtailing the release pending an investigation into the prior agreements made with those accounts. It was determined that those accounts were in breach of contract and Mike asked if we would be extending the deadline before shutoff. The Board gave the two accounts until the 1st of September. The new letters will go out the next day. Al would like to see copies of the agreements that have been made. Discussion was had on the letters that will go out with the September billing.