

**Village of Winslow  
Village Board Meeting Minutes – August 2009**

The Village of Winslow met in regular session and was called to order at 7:00 PM on Wednesday, August 12<sup>th</sup>, 2009 by Village President Robert Hastings. Members present were Al Thompson, Mary Marks, Amy Bennett and Mindy Julius. Brandon Hastings was absent. A quorum was established and the meeting proceeded.

Mr. Hastings asked if there was a motion to approve the minutes from the last meeting. Mark Marks moved and Al Thompson seconded for approval. The ayes have it and the minutes were approved.

Mr. Hastings asked if there was a motion to approve the financial report . Amy Bennett moved and Mary Marks seconded for approval. The ayes have it and the financial report is approved.

Audience participation:

Mrs. Huber is requesting an extension on the closing time for the taverns to Midnight for Sunday, August 16<sup>th</sup> as that is the last evening for Winslow River Days. After short discussion, Mary Marks moves and Mindy Julius seconds to approve the extension of hours. The ayes have it and the motion carries. She then asks about the status of the CDAP Grant applications and indicates that they may be forced to close their doors without funding.

The crew from Indian Creek Exchange began a similar line of questioning and asked about the possibilities of using TIF funding for an upcoming project.

It was at this time that Amy Bennett moved and Mindy Julius seconded to go into executive session before further discussion is had. The Board adjourns from regular session into executive session at 7:15 PM.

Executive session adjourns from executive session and returns to regular session at 7:26.

With the audience re-seated, the Board advises the group to pursue possible alternative financing as the basic purpose of the Grant monies are to be used for the creation and retention of jobs.

Cory Lingle requests a midnight extension of tavern hours on September 13<sup>th</sup>. Mindy Julius moves and Mary Marks seconds to approve the extension. The ayes have it and the motion carries.

Ken Nesemeier, our Village Marshall, discusses his monthly summary which includes issues at the Park, the Cove, and with underage cigarette smoking.

Marlin Mason discusses recent work done at the wellhouse, pipe replacement, and reports completed. He then tells of his impending shoulder surgery on

October 19<sup>th</sup> where he should be in recuperation for approximately six weeks beyond that.

Amy Bennett reports on the quotations she received from alternative accounting firms for the Village. It was decided to renew contract with O'Connor, Brooks and Co. Mary Marks moved and Al Thompson seconded to sign the engagement letter for O'Connor, Brooks and Co. Roll call was taken and the motion carried.

There was discussion on the upcoming repair on Bridge Street and the use of Village Motor Fuel Tax monies for improvement of the parking lanes at the same time. It was moved by Mindy Julius and seconded by Mary Marks to pass a resolution to use \$25,000 of MFT funds for the purpose of parking lane improvement. Roll Call is taken and the motion to approve carries.

Discussion is had on the LMI (Low/Median Income) survey the State is requiring the Village to conduct before releasing funding from the CDAP fund. Al Thompson moves and Mary Marks seconds the offer from Fehr-Graham to conduct the survey. Roll Call is taken and the motion carries.

Discussion is made on the upcoming downtown sidewalk project to improve the sidewalk in front of the bank and I.C.E. A motion is made by Al Thompson and seconded by Mary Marks to approve a resolution for the use of \$10,000 of MFT funds. Roll Call is taken and the motion carries.

Robert Hastings discusses the response of the IL EPA in our quest to re-establish our chlorination exemption. It was learned that we must have a 5 year period of no unsafe samples before we can apply for the exemption. We will have to readdress the situation after we become compliant with the regulations.

Amy Bennett recently met with the Church and they discussed possible donations of fuel this winter. We need to find out what a new 1000 gallon tank would cost.

Mindy asked questions of our Village attorney concerning funds recovery involving an estate in Winslow.

Al wants questions on water bills answered in the next few days.

No one has any additional info from Committee reports.

Al Thompson moves and Mary Marks seconds to approve the Bills. Roll Call is taken and the motion carries.

Amy Bennett moves and Mary Marks seconds to adjourn the meeting. The meeting is adjourned.