

Village of North Pekin
318 North Main Street
North Pekin, Illinois
December 14, 2009
Regular Meeting

Village President Steve Flowers called the December 14, 2009 Regular Meeting of the North Pekin Board of Trustees to order at 7:00 P.M.

INVOCATION

Trustee Wamsley gave the invocation.

ROLL CALL

President Flowers asked for roll call, and the following trustees were present: Gene Wamsley, Kathe Curless, Frank Shanklin, Charles Cooper, Alex Lambie, and Russ Blumenstock. President Flowers declared a quorum with six trustees present.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The board and audience recited the pledge of allegiance.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Trustee Cooper made a motion, second by Trustee Lambie to approve the agenda. Trustee Wamsley withdrew the Closed Session from Records and Finance. On Roll Call Vote, all Trustees voted Aye. President Flowers declared the motion carried.

GUEST SPEAKER

Patrick Meyer, Engineer was here to answer any questions about the work that has been done this year on the Lee and Elm projects. He explained the state mandated programs and requirements updates. Grant assistance might be available for warning signs and Regulatory signs. Other funding assistance may be possible for McArthur. At least we will put in a request to Tazewell County. Over all projects with Lee and Elm St. looks like it will be under \$2,000,000.00. Originally we thought it would be \$2,500,000.00.

PUBLIC INPUT ON AGENDA

Richard Moon OF 304 Lincoln Blvd. Thank you to whoever got the dinner together at the Chateau. It was a wonderful dinner. Mr. Moon wanted to ask questions about a code enforcement officer and what will his job be. President Flowers said when we get to that part of the agenda, we will have questions.

PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION REPORT

Richard Moon read the Planning and Zoning Report

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

Trustee Lambie made a motion, second by Trustee Shanklin to approve the Consent Agenda, including the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of November 23, 2009; approval of payment of bills in the amount of \$90,806.48; motion to approve Coca Cola placing a can soda machine outside the front door of the Village Hall.(Wamsley); motion to approve adding to the Village website pictures of the multi-purpose courts in Morrissey Park.(Shanklin); motion to approve

paying \$174.00 for a thermal imaging camera battery charger for the NPF. (Cooper); motion to approve paying \$320.00 for maintenance to the multi gas sensor, to calibrate and repair the oxygen sensor for the NPF.(Cooper) On Roll Call Vote to approve the Consent Agenda, all Trustees voted Aye. President Flowers declared the motion carried.

COMMITTEES

WATER AND SEWER

Alex Lambie

Trustee Lambie stated we received the BP Amoco check.

STREETS AND ALLEYS

Kathe Curless

Trustee Curless thanked Pat Meyer for the presentation on Lee and Elm St.

PUBLIC SAFETY

Trustee Cooper made a motion, second by Trustee Wamsley to approve the North Pekin Police Department Vehicle Emergency Response Safety Policy. On Roll Call Vote, all Trustees voted Aye. President Flowers declared the motion carried.

Trustee Cooper made a motion, second by Trustee Blumenstock to approve hiring David Hahn and Scott Hulse as part-time police officers at a pay rate of \$11.00 hourly. On a Voice Vote, all Trustees voted Aye. President Flowers declared the motion carried.

Trustee Cooper made a motion, second by Trustee Shanklin for discussion concerning hiring Ronald Sieh as the Village of North Pekin's Code Enforcement Officer. On a Voice Vote, all Trustees voted Aye. President Flowers declared the motion carried. Attorney Anderson explained the reason for hiring a professional code enforcement officer to be fair and in a legal matter to get problem properties in code for residents to live. It needs to be a professionally evaluated to present in case the cases go to court. We still need to update codes and do research on whether Dennis Keif will allow Ron Sieh to work for us as well as the City of Pekin.

HEALTH AND FLOOD

Russ Blumenstock

None

RECORDS AND FINANCE

Gene Wamsley

Trustee Wamsley informed the board that the office personnel would like to go to Cullinans Christmas luncheon. It will be ok per board.

Trustee Wamsley made a motion, second by Trustee Lambie to approve Ordinance #891, an Ordinance Levying Taxes for all corporate purposes for the Village of North Pekin for the Fiscal Year beginning May 1, 2009 and ending April 30, 2010. On Roll Call vote Trustees Cooper, Blumenstock, Lambie, Wamsley and Shanklin voted Aye. Trustee Curless voted No; she had not reviewed it yet. President Flowers declared the motion carried.

Trustee Wamsley made a motion, second by Trustee Lambie to approve paying Morton Community Bank \$10,165.86 as interest for the Lee & Elm Street revolving loan. On Roll Call Vote, all Trustees voted Aye. President Flowers declared the motion carried.

Trustee Wamsley made a motion, second by Trustee Lambie to approve renewing the full time employees' health insurance contract with United Health Care Insurance Company of the River Valley for contract period January 1, 2010 to December 31, 2010, with an annual increase of \$6,834.72. On Roll Call Vote, all Trustees voted Aye. President Flowers declared the motion carried.

PUBLIC PROPERTY AND PARKS

Frank Shanklin

Trustee Shanklin made a motion, second by Trustee Wamsley for discussion concerning Resolution 2009-9, a resolution approving the purchase of three vacant lots on Rogers Road and North Main Street from Seabert P. Cox for a sum of \$48,000.00. On Voice Vote all Trustees voted Aye. President Flowers declared the motion carried.

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Trustee Shanklin made a motion, second by Trustee Wamsley to approve Ordinance #892, an ordinance approving the Mayor and the Village Clerk to execute the real estate contract between the Village of North Pekin and Seabert P. Cox. On Roll Call Vote, all Trustees voted Aye. President Flowers declared the motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

Deborah Landrith

Spreadsheet Attached

VILLAGE PRESIDENT

Steve Flowers

President Flowers appoints Jason Gilmore and Drake Hart to the North Pekin Fire Department recruit training program. Trustee Cooper made a motion, second by Trustee Lambie to approve the Presidents appointments. On Roll Call Vote, all Trustees voted Aye. President Flowers declared the motion carried.

President Flowers went over the signage ordinance and asked for questions. Mike Johnson explained the business signs and entitlement to advertising. Ken Simmons made up a proposal and the board reviewed it.

OLD BUSINESS

Trustee Wamsley made a motion, second by Trustee Shanklin to approve adding to the Village website that the Village Hall is collecting Toys for Tots. On Roll Call Vote, all Trustees voted Aye. President Flowers declared the motion carried.

Trustee Wamsley made a motion, second by Trustee Shanklin to discuss the Billboard litigation. We have a court date for December 23, 2009. On Voice Vote all Trustees voted Aye. President Flowers declared the motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

None

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

Ken Williams 200 N Main St. Questions on the storage tanks on the Cox Property.

Mr. Williams had a question about the billboard on 98 down by the skating rink. What are we going to do about that one? Mike Johnson will check into it.

Mike Johnson 137 S McArthur at 132 N. McArthur has about 8 bags of garbage in front of the house. It needs something done. Our Ordinances need more teeth in them.

Ken Simmons 205 Lincoln Blvd. had questions about the Professional City Inspector in relationship to the Zoning Officers.

Susan Tisdale 114 S. Roosevelt asked who writes the Ordinance tickets and who enforces them.

Bill Faichney 133 Sunset Will the Special Use Permits allow Semis to go on the roads where they are prohibited now? Richard Moon explained that the road limits will still be enforced.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the board at this time Trustee Lambie made a motion, second by Trustee Curless to adjourn the December 14, 2009, Regular Meeting of the North Pekin Board of Trustees. On Voice Vote all Trustees voted Aye. President Flowers declared the motion carried and the meeting was adjourned at 8:14pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Deborah Landrith
Village Clerk