

Village of North Pekin
318 North Main Street
North Pekin, Illinois
May 10, 2010
Regular Meeting

Village President Steve Flowers called the May 10, 2010 Regular Meeting of the North Pekin Board of Trustees to order at 7:00 P.M.

Invocation

Reverend Tony Darr gave the invocation

Roll Call

President Flowers asked for roll call, and the following Trustees were present: Charles Cooper, Kathe Curlless, Alex Lambie, Frank Shanklin, Eugene Wamsley 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 Lambie made a motion, second by Trustee Curlless to approve the agenda. Trustee Lambie added a price of \$224.00 to the cost of clamps on the Consent Agenda. Trustee Wamsley pulled a bill for Patrick Meyer for \$480.00 work done on McArthur St. On Roll Call Vote all Trustees voted Aye. President Flowers declared the motion carried.

Public Input on Agenda

Richard Moon 304 Lincoln Blvd. has concerns on raising the water bill

Frank Coatney 122 N. Roosevelt states the rate is out of order. Mr. Coatney recited his interpretation of Roberts Rules on the raising the water and sewer rates.

Sharon Rast 323 Forrest Dr. Agrees with Mr. Moon. We have a lot of elderly people on limited income.

Gloria Arrington 340 Highway Blvd. agrees with re-thinking a rate hike at this time.

Garland Junger 113 S. McArthur we just had a rate hike and I am on a fixed income. He doesn't feel we need another building in Morrissey Park.

Mike Parker 122 N Main Doesn't understand why we are getting another water raise when we can't even drink the water.

Ken Simmons states he agrees with the audience about the water rates.

Consent Agenda

Trustee Lambie made a motion, second by Trustee Curlless to approve the Consent Agenda including the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of April 26, 2010; approval of payment of bills in the amount of \$64,182.84; approval of Fiscal Year 2010-2011 Sewer Contractor License for Wayne Litwiller Excavating (Lambie); motion to approve \$710.00 for a rescue backboard/basket for the Fire Department.(Cooper); motion to spend \$50.00 for 8 – 2x8x12's and 2 -2 2x8x10's for Morrissey Park, to be paid from TIF Funds. (Shanklin); motion to approve junking old lights stored at the Firehouse.(Shanklin); Motion to approve the 2009 property taxes, payable in 2010 in the amount of \$984.08 for the three lots purchased from Seabert Cox, per the agreement to purchase.

(Shanklin); motion to purchase 2 – 4” clamps at a cost of \$224.00. (Lambie). On Roll Call Vote all Trustees voted Aye. President Flowers declared the motion carried.

Committees

Water and Sewer

Alex Lambie

Trustee Lambie made a motion, second by Trustee Curless to approve Ordinance #894, water and sewer rate increases. After discussion, the board decided to table the motion until we had a public hearing. Trustee Wamsley made a motion, second by Trustee Shanklin to table the motion. On Roll Call Vote Trustees Wamsley, Curless, Shanklin, Cooper and Blumenstock voted Aye. Trustee Lambie voted No. President Flowers declared the motion carried 5-1.

Streets and Alleys

Kathe Curless

Trustee Curless made a motion, second by Trustee Shanklin to enter into Executive session after the Audience Participation for the purpose of the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee to determine its validity, AND litigation, when an action against, affecting or on behalf of the particular public body has been filed and is pending before a court or administrative tribunal, or when the public body finds that an action is probable or imminent, in which case the basis for the finding shall be recorded and entered into the minutes of the closed meeting. Action is possible upon return to Open Session. On Roll Call Vote all Trustees voted Aye. President Flowers declared the motion carried.

Trustee Curless made a motion, second by Trustee Lambie to approve a contract with Topless Tree Service to remove 1 tree and trim 5 trees to be paid from maintenance fund, not to exceed \$2,000.00. On Roll Call Vote all Trustees voted Aye. President Flowers declared the motion carried.

Public Safety

Charles Cooper

Trustee Cooper made a motion, second by Trustee Blumenstock to approve quarterly compensation payment for the Firemen in the amount of \$2,500.00. On Roll Call Vote all Trustees voted Aye. President Flowers declared the motion carried.

Trustee Cooper made a motion, second by Trustee Blumenstock to hire Jeff Jackson as a part-time police officer. On Roll Call Vote all Trustees voted Aye. President Flowers declared the motion carried.

Trustee Cooper made a motion, second by Trustee Blumenstock to hire William Dorn as a part-time police officer. On Roll Call Vote all Trustees voted Aye. President Flowers declared the motion carried.

Health and Flood Control

Russ Blumenstock

Trustee Blumenstock had nothing at this time.

Records and Finance

Gene Wamsley

Trustee Wamsley made a motion, second by Trustee Cooper to donate the old copier to the Union Mission in Pekin. On Roll Call Vote all Trustees voted Aye. President Flowers declared the motion carried.

Trustee Wamsley made a motion, second by Trustee Shanklin to put the fire trucks on the Village Website. On Roll Call Vote all Trustees voted Aye. President Flowers declared the motion carried.

Consensus of the board is to put the memorial service for Bill Sandrock on the Website.

There will be a breakfast at 8:00am on Wednesday May 12 for Ralph Anderson, past auditor. Appropriations are due by next meeting, May 24, 2010.

Public Property and Parks

Frank Shanklin

Trustee Shanklin made a motion, second by Trustee Blumenstock to approve purchasing a metal building (24 X 36) from Ragland Builders for Morrissey Park for the amount of \$17,350.00, to be paid from TIF Funds. On Roll Call Vote all Trustees voted Aye. President Flowers declared the motion carried.

Trustee Shanklin made a motion, second by Trustee Cooper to hire the Village Engineer to acquire bids for electrical service in Morrissey Park, to be paid from TIF Funds. On Roll Call Vote all Trustees voted Aye. President Flowers declared the motion carried.

Correspondence

Deborah Landrith

Monies Received April 27, 2010 - May 6, 2010

Received From	Description	Amount
Kerasotes	Coin Machine License	\$60.00
NAMCO	Coin Op License-Kerasotes	\$50.00
S. Tisdale	Filing Fee & Building Permit - 121 S. McArthur	\$55.00
E.H.R./Denny's	Coin Machine License	\$10.00
United Life Insurance	Policy Surrender - Fire Department	\$1,881.20
Ordinance Violations	Ticket #1121 & #1122/drugs	\$300.00
Mike Johnson	Deduct Meter - 137 S. McArthur	\$46.92
David Burling & Son	Sewer License	\$100.00
Chalet Restaurants	Coin Machine License	\$40.00
State of Illinois	Traffic Grant Reimbursements	\$1,279.49
Accel Entertainment	Coin Operator License-AMVETS	\$50.00
AMVETS	License-Liquor \$100.00/Pool \$14.00/Coin Machine \$110.00	\$224.00
Mike Sammis	Erosion \$125.00-File Fee \$5.00 - 925 Edgewater Dr	\$130.00
K. Passmore	Park Reservation	\$25.00
A. Bailey	Park Reservation	\$25.00
Mickie's Pizzeria	Licenses-Liquor \$750.00 / Coin Machine \$50.00	\$800.00
M. Sammis - 925 Edgewater	New building-permits-hookups-meter	\$828.00
Variety Specialties	Coin Operators License - Chalet Restaurant	\$50.00
J. Pendergrass	Filing Fee - 103 S. Main	\$5.00
E. Stubblefield	Dog Redemption	\$10.00
Herget Bank	Interest - CD#386-5169	\$83.42
Total Income		\$6,053.03

The Fire Trucks have been added to the Illinois Municipal Website and in the Review Magazine. The price was \$30.00 instead of the \$20.00.

Natalie was here on May 5th to instruct the office staff on use of the new copier.

I called Steve Martin about the Summer State Workers Grant. The grant has not passed yet, but as soon as it does, he will send us an informational packet.

The auditor will be here on May 18, 2010.

Village Attorney

William Anderson

Atty. Anderson received the application for joining the International Code Council for \$100.00. It is cheaper to join and get the book rather than just purchasing the book. He needs a Village voting representative to join and 3 additional representatives. He will get information to us.

Draft Ordinances on B1 and B2 are here for the board to look over

Hight Property will be discussed in closed session. Atty. Dancey is requesting addition time and how much are we willing to spend.

FOIA will be voted on tonight. Then we will get the ordinances.

Village President

Stephen Flowers

President Flowers passed out his Village Appointments. President Flowers requests a motion to accept his Village Appointments for Fiscal Year 2010-2011. After the request to pull the Village Engineer from the appointments, Trustee Wamsley made a motion, second by Trustee Shanklin to approve the Village Engineer and Soil Erosion Administrator for re-appointment. On Roll Call Vote Trustees Curless, Cooper, Lambie, and Blumenstock voted Aye. Trustees Wamsley and Shanklin voted No. President Flowers voted yes. President Flowers declared the motion carried 5-2.

Trustee Cooper made a motion, second by Trustee Shanklin to accept the appointments by President Flowers except the Village Engineer, whose appointment was approved by the prior motion. On Roll Call Vote all Trustees voted Aye. President Flowers declared the motion carried.

President Flowers requests a motion to make Attorney Anderson the Public Access Officer for the FOIA as Resolution 2010-4. Trustee Wamsley made the motion, second by Trustee Shanklin to pass Resolution 2010-4. On Roll Call Vote all Trustees voted Aye. President Flowers declared the motion carried.

Old Business

None

New Business

None

Trustee's comments

Trustee Wamsley had Lori look up the figures for this past month. \$56,000.00 came in last month. We spent \$60,000.00

Audience Participation

Bill Faichney 133 Sunset asked who was Chairman for Streets and Alleys now. Trustee Wamsley was appointed to that committee. Mr. Faichney asked if the new head was going to look into Sunset and Plaines. He asked if they were going to put the basketball stuff would be put away in the new building.

Sharon Rast 323 Forrest Dr. asked are the part time police we hired in addition to the present ones or are we losing some of the present ones. We are losing some and some have never started. We also have one in the Meg unit.

Ken Simmons asked about the Housing Code Book and how many copies are we going to have. Are we getting the CD also? Attorney Anderson explained what the board decided.

Mike Johnson 137 S. McArthur. What is going on at the park? He noticed a couple tandem trucks down there today. Frank Hardy stated it was for fill.

Susan Tisdale 114 S. Roosevelt stated if we don't use the TIF money we lose it. Is that correct. Yes it is and we have certain areas that we have to use that money only. When was the last water bill increase before the one from last year? President Flowers stated it was several years ago. The sewer rates are not even breaking even. Trustee Lambie stated the water and sewer department have to stand on their own. If we have to borrow money to keep them up to par, it will cost a lot of money in interest. Susan asked about the film on the water.

Bill Clutts 101 Marion named several people who helped with planting seed flowers.

Ken Simmons 205 Lincoln Blvd. People don't know about the deduct meters. Maybe we can advertise them so the public will be aware.

Frank Coatney stated he thought the money raise last year was suppose to make sure there was an account to fall back on for water and sewer. Where did that money disappear? Attorney Anderson explained it is not money that disappeared. There was never an account created because there was not any money left. Water and Sewer has to stand on its own business. Attorney Anderson explained no one is making a dime here. We are trying to keep our water and sewer. If we do not maintain it, we could lose control of it. We are required by law to break even. We pay a per gallon fee to Pekin to treat the sewer.

Mike Johnson 137 S. McArthur Part of the problem is past boards were afraid to raise rates because they didn't want to upset the residents. It has come down to the point we have to have a raise to keep water and sewer holding its own. If we fail, the State of Illinois can come in and take over and we sure don't want the same problems that Springfield has.

President Flowers read the chairmen of his committees for 2010-2011 for the record:

Public Safety	Trustee Shanklin
Water and Sewer	Trustee Blumenstock
Streets and Alleys	Trustee Wamsley
Public Property and Parks	Trustee Curless
Health and Flood	Trustee Cooper
Records and Finance	Trustee Lambie
Economic Development	President Flowers
Community Improvement	President Flowers

Entered Executive Session @ 8:24pm

Returned to Open Session @ 10:00pm

Audience Participation

None

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the board at this time Trustee Lambie made a motion, second by Trustee Shanklin to adjourn the May 10, 2010 Regular Meeting of the North Pekin Board of Trustees. On Voice Vote all six Trustees voted Aye. President Flowers declared the motion carried, and the meeting was adjourned at 10:01pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Deborah Landrith
Village Clerk