

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
VILLAGE OF PHILO, ILLINOIS
September 14, 2011

The meeting was called to order by President Craig Eckert at 7.00 p.m. at the R.E. Franks Meeting Center in the Eileen Painter room.

ROLL CALL: Present-Trustees Mumma, Franks, Sappenfield, Pioletti, Garrett, and Brady.

GUESTS: Christine Walsh, Dave Laker, Sue Laker, Dustin Reifsteck, Herschel Hammerschmidt, Leo Clennon, Alta Tarter, Susan Helmink, Rod Schweighart, David Phillippe, Paul Hendren, Bill Bolger and Dave Traxler.

MINUTES: Trustee Larry Franks made a motion, seconded by Trustee Pioletti, to approve the minutes of August 10, 2011. Voice vote; all "aye's," motion carried unanimously.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE: Trustee Pioletti made a motion, seconded by Trustee Paul Brady, to approve the accounts payable as presented. Roll call vote; "aye's", Trustees Mumma, Franks, Sappenfield, Garrett, Pioletti and Brady. Motion carried unanimously.

DUSTIN REIFSTECK: Dustin attended the meeting to review the time of the dance (9 p.m. to midnight) to be held September 30th with the proceeds going to the Philo Ball Park Association. There will be two gates, one at each end. The stage will depend on the stage man, either near the Philo Tavern entrance or Daly's Sports Bar entrance. Dustin estimates the two police officers cost to be \$440.50. The portable bathrooms have been ordered as well as garbage totters. The cattle gates are being donated by the City of Urbana. Signs will be displayed near Center for your Health and the event is also running on the Philo Exchange Bank's marquee. The liquor license is to be obtained through the Philo Tavern. President Eckert asked the Board consider contributing to the police officers expense. Trustee John Mumma made a motion, seconded by Trustee Larry Franks, to pay the police expense of \$444.50. Roll call vote; "Aye's," Trustees Mumma, Franks, Sappenfield, Pioletti, Garrett and Brady. Motion carried unanimously.

ALTA TARTER: Alta said she had talked with Christine Payne about arranging a Harvest Dance to be held October 15 at the REFMC. Either the Gene Trimble band or Diane Duce, a local DJ, would provide music. There would be a charge to attend.

DAVE PHILLIPPE: Dave P. presented the bill for oil and chipping that has been completed by Illiana to be paid from the MFT fund. Another bill for replacement of existing sidewalk work was also submitted for payment for work completed by C.I. Tile. Mr. Phillippe noted that a piece of PVC conduit, discovered during the project, was replaced with new conduit that can be used for drainage. Sidewalk ramps were also completed at the corner of Garfield and Madison. Dave P. also noted that old existing sidewalk in front of the Gene Cain residence was removed and the Cains paid for the new sidewalk.

Trustee Franks made a motion, seconded by Trustee Sappenfield to approve payment to Illiana Construction in the amount of \$11,163.72 from the MFT fund as presented by Dave Phillippe.

Roll call vote; "Aye's," Trustees Mumma, Franks, Sappenfield, Pioletti, Garrett and Brady. Motion carried unanimously.

Trustee Paul Brady made a motion, seconded by Trustee John Mumma to approve payment to Central Illinois Tile Company in the amount of \$9,882.50 from the MFT fund as presented by Dave Phillippe. Roll call vote; "Aye's," Trustees Mumma, Franks, Sappenfield, Pioletti, Garrett and Brady. Motion carried unanimously.

PAUL HENDREN: Paul summarized the Comcast meeting held August 30th at the REFMC, attended by himself, Trustee Brady, Comcast representative and also representatives from the villages of St. Joseph, Sidney and Homer. Mr. Hendren said he was appreciative of the input and remarks. He expects to receive a report within the next month and hopefully an agreement will be ready to approve in November.

Trustee Brady added the following comments. One, you don't really have a choice (but to approve it), there is some control over the franchise fee (i.e., no change in the 5% franchise fee; it can't be higher but it can be lower), and there is some control with respect to area right-of-way. Paul Hendren stated the preliminary final (model) draft will be available to Trustees and would like their response by October meeting. This prototype is the result comprised from the municipal mayors association (comprised of over 200 mayors across the state) worked on together with committee.

DAVE TRAXLER: Dave T. notified the Board that Michelle of Hugs & Bugs asked if they could block off a street on Sept. 29th from 4 to 7 p.m. for pony rides.

The curb repair has been completed near the post office.

A list of pool owners will be submitted to Craig Eckert. President Eckert plans to send letters now and then again in the spring.

They have collected brush, but have not burned it yet because of crops still in the field.

The roof fascia work on the Village building at 120 west Washington is complete as well as the brick work on the ESDA entrance at the REFMC.

Dave T. reported an increase per dumpster from \$480 to \$511 and asked for direction for the dumpster day to be held October 29th from 7 a.m. to noon. He normally orders 4 with 2 on reserve. The Board told him to order the normal amount.

The street striping is done.

Dave T. provided the Board with price information in regard to the purchase of a new tractor. Trustee Franks indicated this is the Village's main piece of equipment. He suggested Dave find out about financing and send to each Board member for consideration. Trustee Franks asked if

this would have 2011 emissions on it. Dave Traxler replied “no” it would not have DEF. Trustee Mumma also asked Dave to find out the difference in price in this particular tractor and a new one. The special emissions being discussed are waived on old equipment, but the new ones will have DEF, which is more expensive on the motor side.

The Board reviewed the information presented by Dave T. from A & R to run new duct work. Trustee Franks made a motion, seconded by Trustee Mumma to approve the proposal from A& R in the amount of \$575.00 to run duct work at the REFMC. Roll call vote; “Aye’s,” Trustees Mumma, Franks, Sappenfield, Pioletti, Garrett and Brady. Motion carried unanimously.

TRUSTEE PIOLETTI: Trustee Pioletti asked for clarification from the Plan Commission minutes from July 15, 2011. The question concerned Plan Commission minutes mention of the Village still owning a water line. Dave Phillippe will check with Jean McCormick and report back to the Village Board at the October meeting. Dave P. noted the minutes were prepared, but not *approved* by the Plan Commission yet.

OLD BUSINESS:

The “chicken” letter was sent with no response as of this date.

Paul Hendren and Craig Eckert are dealing with Jackson St. resident issue and also the resident problem on Cleveland. Trustee Franks wants the attorney to write a letter to those two problem residents and also to the resident that has a motor home parked on Village right of way on Adams Street. There was some question as to whether the alley at this property was ever vacated. The Board stated the resident could use the alley to park the motor home on the resident’s basketball court. President Eckert asked Dave Traxler to notify the resident of this. In regard to the problem on Cleveland, Dave T. will take pictures and send to Paul Hendren. Paul H. believes this would qualify as a “general nuisance” ordinance regarding weeds, garbage and junk on property.

The manhole issue would be between resident Meharry and the farm owner.

The new computer has been installed and working out well.

The idea of getting an estimate for an arborist has been reconsidered.

NEW BUSINESS:

Susan Helmink presented her August REFMC report. There were no questions on the report, but Trustee Brady asked if she had any idea what revenue was lost by offering the REFMC free, like time of employees setting up for the event, etc. Susan explained that would depend on the type of event. President Eckert asked if she could keep a rough accounting for free events.

Trustee Pioletti met with Hugs and Bugs owners, Michelle & Dorella, in regard to their lease. Pat stated it was an amicable meeting and they requested new carpet and would also like to have

the rooms painted during their winter break. The Board asked Dave Traxler gets a few estimates for painting and suggested the carpet wait until next year.

Attorney Hendren indicated the lease can be amended as necessary and Susan could get the required signatures to complete the new lease. Trustee Sappenfield made a motion, seconded by Trustee Pioletti to change the amount of the lease from \$1,650 to \$1,675 beginning October 1, 2011. Roll call vote; “Aye’s,” Trustees Mumma, Franks, Sappenfield, Pioletti, Garrett and Brady. Motion carried unanimously.

The lock sets on the west doors at the REFMC will be changed, so the doors don’t have to be propped open.

MISCELLANEOUS DISCUSSION:

Trustee Mumma – Nothing

Trustee Franks – Stated the writing on the slide at Hazen Park was done by three 6 or 7th graders. He caught them using a marker and when confronted they started crying saying they wouldn’t do it again.

Trustee Sappenfield – Reported the new tenants have moved in, are happy and paying the rent at 120 W. Washington.

Clerk Kirby – Nothing

Trustee Pioletti – Asked if the silt fence could be removed on Cleveland north of Trustee Mumma’s house, which is the Wyncoop residence.

Trustee Garrett – Nothing

Trustee Brady – Nothing

President Eckert – Craig has given out responses to opened ended questions from the survey. In November – reminder to look at both sets and discuss to possibly guide future village policy. He will also be sure to invite focus groups and then conclude methodology. He added most amazing comment was that some insisted we shouldn’t have sold the water system. Trustee Mumma stated it is the same problem, our bills were so cheap, raised by company that bought it, but residents don’t realize we would have had to increase water rates even more had the village retained the water system.

MOTION TO ADJOURN: Trustee Franks made a motion, seconded by Trustee Sappenfield, to adjourn the meeting at 8:45 p.m.

VILLAGE CLERK

VILLAGE PRESIDENT