

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
VILLAGE OF PHILO, ILLINOIS  
October 9, 2013

The meeting was called to order by President Larry Franks at 7:00 p.m. at the R.E. Franks Meeting Center in the Eileen Painter room.

GUESTS: David Traxler, Christine Walsh, Tim Pellegrini, Paul Hendren, Jeremy Rieman and Chris Payne.

ROLL CALL: Present-Trustees John Mumma, Steven Messman, Steve Sappenfield, Pat Pioletti, Rachael Garrett and Paul Brady.

MINUTES:

**September 11, 2013:** Trustee John Mumma made a motion, seconded by Trustee Steve Messman, to approve the minutes of September 11, 2013. Voice vote; all "aye's," motion carried unanimously.

**August 21, 2013:** Trustee John Mumma made a motion, seconded by Trustee Steve Messman, to approve the minutes of August 21, 2013. Voice vote; all "aye's," motion carried unanimously.

**September 4, 2013:** Trustee Steve Sappenfield made a motion, seconded by Trustee John Mumma, to approve the minutes of September 4, 2013. Voice vote; all "aye's," motion carried unanimously.

**October 1, 2013:** Trustee John Mumma made a motion, seconded by Trustee Paul Brady, to approve the minutes of October 1, 2013. Voice vote; all "aye's," motion carried unanimously.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE: Trustee Pat Pioletti made a motion seconded by Trustee Paul Brady to pay the bills as presented. Roll call vote; "aye's", Trustees Mumma, Messman, Sappenfield, Pioletti, Garrett and Brady. Motion passed unanimously.

VILLAGE ENGINEER: Tim Pellegrini is filling in at the meeting for Dave Atchley. He explained they ran into some ADA problems with the sidewalk bids. A ramp and landing area is needed across the street from where the Village had planned sidewalk repair. There is no approval for the bid package. The Village's options are to 1) table project for later or do patches, keeping the project under \$20,000 where it doesn't have to be bid out. This could be worked out doing required IDOT patch work, but not out to bid. We originally budgeted \$23,000 but the entire project could be \$24-25 thousand. Trustee Pioletti commented that he is not concerned about bumping up, but his concern is State not eligible for MFT, or pick those. President Franks talked to Dave Atchley about the change from 5 feet to 6 feet of travel space (the area in front of gym to the west). After a brief discussion, the Board decided to wait till spring to complete the sidewalk work.

McKinley Circle House: The house has been demolished and top soil applied. It will be seeded and ten waterings are to be done. It was noted that a maintenance building pad/slab needs to come out. Compaction regulated backfill in 12" lifts with the top 6" of top soil. President Franks asked Dave T. to talk to Richard's Tree Service regarding their work and to also take pictures of the property. Trustee Pioletti stated the center of that cul-de-sac needs improvement. There is crumpled up asphalt around the light pole and the area looks very bare. Dave T. will check it out and report back to the Board.

VILLAGE ATTORNEY: Paul Hendren stated he will prepare the required Ordinance prior to the next meeting, in order to start the bidding process for the sale of the lot. Trustee Brady if anyone had an idea of what the lot would be worth.

Mr. Hendren reported that the Plotner property lots will be discussed with Dave Athley and the Planning Commission and Karl Helmink. Paul H. indicated a five (5) acre track changed to 4.2 and .8 acre tracts wants the tracts to end up being 1.3 and 3.7.

In regard to the sidewalk question discussed earlier, ADA compliance & IDOT pre-approval and contract, it was explained that if we do it "in house" the work must still be ADA compliant; that is, meet their requirements, even to correct the slope of the sidewalk.

Attorney Hendren reviewed the information discussed at the Special Meeting of Oct. 1, 2013, regarding the Ryle Companies home and the draft motion in regard to the group home. Trustee Paul Brady made a motion, seconded by Trustee Steve Sappenfield to pass the motion as read by Attorney Paul Hendren. "Based upon the legal advice provided to the Village by its special fair housing counsel, James A. Rhodes and Lance C. Malina, of Klein, Thorpe and Jenkins, LTD, regarding the Ryle Companies' planned usage of the lot and single family residence at 908 S. Adams in Philo, as a duly licensed planned "Community Intergraded Living Arrangement" (CILA), or group home, for eight disabled adults that such usage would, based upon the Federal Fair Housing Amendments Act of 1988 and other applicable laws and legal precedent, be authorized at subject location in the Village, and that any formal Village zoning action to prohibit said usage could violate these legal principles, and subject the Village to significant sanctions, I move that the Village of Philo take no action at this time to prohibit this planned CILA group home facility, except as may now or hereafter be legally permissible." Roll call vote; "aye's", Trustees Mumma, Messman, Sappenfield, Pioletti, Garrett and Brady. Motion passed unanimously.

Paul H. reminded the Board that the Tax Levy should be on the November meeting agenda, to discuss at that meeting and action to be at the December meeting.

VILLAGE MAINTENANCE: Dave Traxler reported that brush pick up went well. There was one building permit in September. The shed at Hale Park is damaged and Dave T. asked Chuck Sollers for an estimate to repair the block wall. Chuck indicated it will be approximately \$2,500 to repair. Dave T. stores mowers, the tiller, snow fence and garbage cans along with poles and other items in the shed. President Franks said he looked at the building and found the west wall and the door in need of repair as well. The shed was also discussed with Trustee Mumma and he felt the Village should check into a new storage shed. At one time a 28 x 50 foot building was talked about to put at the recycling center. With all the equipment that needs to be stored, he wondered if that size would be large enough. It was suggested they price a pole building with a gravel floor and electricity.

Dave T. also requested that the Village provide health insurance coverage for him, instead of him receiving money (\$270.00 per month) to apply to his own policy. The estimated cost of a CMS policy is \$566.00 per month, which is a difference of \$296.00.

Prices for mowers from Kubota, XMark, Grasshopper and John Deere were presented for the Board to review. Branding has a lot to do with the price differences. Trustee Mumma stated not all are equal; sometimes you get what you pay for. One difference was the mower deck. Dave T. added that the John Deere deck is still good after 10 years. The Board asked Dave T. to clarify with the dealers if there could be an end-of-year discount and to ask if discount available if we wait. It was suggested that everyone review the quotes and discuss at the November meeting along with the additional information that Dave T. will get.

Trustee Pioletti asked if street sign could be cleared of brush, noting one is needed at Jefferson & Garfield. Pat also asked if signs are needed at the recycling site, such as a "Yield Sign." Dave T. will take a look and make suggestions at the November meeting.

VILLAGE TREASURER: Judy presented the monthly financial reports to the Board in Rod's absence.

OLD BUSINESS: President Franks stated he talked to Chris Lueth about the radios.

The ballpark renovation is proceeding. They have completed 2 pours of concrete and poles were moved out of the way last Saturday. Trustee Sappenfield said he talked to Rick Gallivan and the project is moving right along.

NEW BUSINESS: There were no questions in regard to Susan Helmink's REFMC report.

The request for a donation for the Schumacher Shuffle was discussed. Trustee Brady felt there is a conflict between Church and State for a cash donation, but wondered if the Board could help in another way. President Franks stated he will check with St. Thomas to see if we could offer other assistance, instead of cash.

Trick or Treat hours were set for 6-8 p.m. on Thursday, October 31, 2013. Susan H. will be asked to post the notices.

MISCELLANEOUS DISCUSSION: None of the Trustees had anything to discuss.

President Franks stated he now has two different phone numbers to contact AmerenCILCO in the event of power outages. Trustee Sappenfield wondered why the Village was not "back fed" from Tolono since power was out for an extended period of time.

MOTION TO ADJOURN: Trustee Pat Pioletti made a motion, seconded by Trustee Paul Brady to adjourn the meeting.

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VILLAGE PRESIDENT