

**MINUTES OF REGULAR BOARD MEETING
PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES
VILLAGE OF WAYNE CITY, ILLINOIS
OCTOBER 7, 2024**

- **CALL TO ORDER**

President Hedden called the regular Board Meeting of the Board of Trustees to order at 7:00 p.m.

- **PRAYER & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Prayer was given by Robert Koker and then President Hedden led the audience in the pledge of allegiance to the flag of the United States of America.

- **ROLL CALL**

President Rocky Hedden: Present Clerk Staci Choate: Present

Trustees:

Paul Bruinsma:	Present	Steve Buxton:	Present
Jarod Peyton:	Present	Tim Piper:	Present
Josh Greene:	Present	Roger Noe:	Present

Also present at the meeting were Worker Bert Clymer, Worker Jasen Tubbs, Worker Austin Schuster, Worker Matt Fields, Ambulance Coordinator Lisa Clark, Sue Meyers, Ronnie Williams, Tom Poracky, Steve Caudle, Bethany Greene, Brian Rightnowar, Steve Griswold, Randy Gregory, Vicki Chambliss, Brandon Thomason, Robert Koker, Tina Koker, and Jarrod Pruitt.

- **CONSENT AGENDA**

Regarding the Past Due Report, customer #0020321000 water is still shut off. Trustee Peyton made a motion to accept the Consent Agenda and Trustee Greene seconded the motion.

Ayes 6: Peyton, Greene, Buxton, Piper, Noe, Bruinsma. Approved.

In Old Business, concerning the Re-Bidding for the Mary Neff property, Trustee Buxton is having trouble with the attorney in Metropolis returning his calls. Buxton will following up with him and maybe talk to our attorney as well.

Trustee Peyton read a Bid Sheet for the 2002 Dodge Dakota SLT Pickup Truck. The village does not know all of the details of the repairs to the truck. The village is selling this vehicle "As-Is" and assumes no liability for its condition and offers no warranty or guarantee for the vehicle. The village will accept sealed bids in the Village Office until 10/31/2024 by 4:30 p.m.

Trustee Buxton told the board that the survey proposals the village received back in March of 2024 from Round Table Design, Inc. have not changed. The quote to survey the property by the Fire Station was \$2,800. Trustee Buxton made a motion to accept the proposal from Round Table Design, Inc. for \$2,800. Trustee Peyton seconded the motion.

Ayes 6: Greene, Buxton, Piper, Noe, Bruinsma, Peyton. Approved.

Regarding Old Business of the Proposal to Amend the Village of Wayne City Handbook, Trustee Buxton revised the proposal of the paternity leave from 2 weeks to 1 week. The maternity leave would stay the same at 6 weeks. Trustee Buxton made a motion to adopt the Revised Proposal to Amend the Village of Wayne City Handbook Regarding Paternity and Maternity Leave Policy. Trustee Peyton seconded the motion.

The board then discussed that the time could be used continuously or intermittently within one year, as agreed on by the employee and the village. It was also decided to clarify that a week would be changed to 5 days. Then, Trustee Buxton made another motion to adopt the Revised Proposal to Amend the Village of Wayne City Handbook Regarding Paternity and Maternity Leave Policy with changing the intermittently to up to one year and changing the week to days. Trustee Peyton seconded the motion.

Ayes 5: Buxton, Piper, Bruinsma, Peyton, Greene. Approved.
Nays 1: Noe.

Trustee Buxton told the board that he had spoken with the IL Department of Public Health regarding Grimmer Estates. Kyle Scerena from IDPH had sent an email to the village stating that he did not find the complaint to be valid. Grimmer Estates has passed their inspection this year. Tom Poracky told the board that he was just "passing the buck." Buxton told Poracky that he would give him Kyle Scerena's phone number after the meeting and he could talk to him personally.

The board discussed Resolution #2024-10-1 for the Christmas Parade. Trustee Piper made a motion to adopt Resolution #2024-10-1 and Trustee Noe seconded the motion.

Ayes 6: Piper, Noe, Bruinsma, Peyton, Greene, Buxton. Approved.

The board discussed a quote from Econo Signs LLC for purchasing signs for \$2,324.94. Some of the signs are needing replaced because of vandalism. When they are vandalized, it destroys the reflective coating on the signs. MFT money can be used for signs, but not street signs. The amount of street signs on the quote amounted to less than \$200. Trustee Buxton made a motion to purchase signs from Econo Signs LLC for \$2,324.94 and use MFT money. Trustee Piper seconded the motion.

Ayes 6: Noe, Bruinsma, Peyton, Greene, Buxton, Piper. Approved.

- **DISCUSSION ITEMS**

Public Comments:

Randy Gregory told the board that there were a lot of old trailers in town and a lot of cats. He also stated that he thought the village needed a traffic light.

Steve Griswold told the board that he was the President of the library and he wanted to thank the board for letting the library use the building and for all that they do for the library and our town. He told the board that the library wanted to do a dinner for the board at the next board meeting. The dinner will be at 6:30 p.m. before the board meeting. Griswold also told the board that the library was planning a fundraiser to raise funds for a lounge in the library with a coffee bar and furniture from Boyd's Furniture.

Brian Rightnowar was still wanting to know about any properties that the village had for sale.

Ronnie Williams told the board that he had some paperwork regarding the truck. Williams said that he had spoken with a lawyer and they said it was illegal to sell it. The board told Williams that they would give the paperwork to our attorney and have him look it over. Sue Meyers told the board that the paperwork states that Bradley Gammon is seeking a Court Writ and that he wanted to get all his property back.

Sue Meyers told the board that Bean Days had went well in spite of the rain. She also thanked the city guys for their help.

Vicki Chambliss told the board that she did not know what happened to former Police Chief Anson Fenton but anytime that she ever called him, he always came. She also stated that she thought the village needed a cop in town.

Employee Reports:

Worker Tubbs told the board that the grease gun that they use on gas valves for maintenance had quit working. He stated that the grease gun was very old. A new one would be around \$1,700. The board said to purchase one.

Worker Austin Schuster, in the place of Kris Shreve, told the board about a quote from Water Treat Technology for \$5,759.24 for the algae problem. This would need to be purchased before next spring. Trustee Noe stated that we would also need to run electricity to the sewer lagoon and requested to get a quote for that as well. Noe stated that when IRWA had done a check on the village sewer lagoon that this had been recommended by them.

Trustee Reports:

Trustee Piper thanked the workers for the work on the roads. He stated that this is the best that some of them have been for a long time.

President Hedden thanked Worker Clymer for 14 years of service and Clerk Choate for 11 years of service.

Trustee Piper made a motion to go into Executive Session at 7:37 p.m. and Trustee Peyton seconded the motion.

Motion carried by a voice vote.

Trustee Noe made a motion to go out of Executive Session at 8:41 p.m. and Trustee Peyton seconded the motion.

Motion carried by a voice vote.

The board discussed the hold up on the sale of the Shell Food Mart lot. President Hedden said they are wanting something from the village stating that the ground from the tanks is not contaminated. The board discussed contacting the EPA.

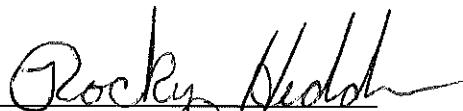
Trustee Peyton will check with a realtor who could give the village an idea of what the lot by the Fire Station was worth.

The board discussed advertising for a new police officer and also revising the police ordinance, if needed.

Trustee Peyton mentioned that the custodian, April Peyton, needed a new vacuum at the Village Hall. The board said to purchase one.

Trustee Noe made a motion to adjourn at 8:54 p.m. and Trustee Peyton seconded the motion.

Motion carried by a voice vote.



President Rocky Hedden



Clerk Staci Choate

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