

**MINUTES OF REGULAR BOARD MEETING  
PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
VILLAGE OF WAYNE CITY, ILLINOIS  
SEPTEMBER 3, 2020**

- **CALL TO ORDER**

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

- **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

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:**

La Donna McKinney:	Present	Chris Simpson:	Present
Ryan Austin:	Absent	Tim Piper:	Present
Diana Wood:	Present	Roger Noe:	Present

Also present at the meeting were Worker Bert Clymer, Worker Jasen Tubbs, Treasurer Jerd Smith, and Quentin Simpson. Police Chief Anson Fenton arrived at the meeting at 7:37 p.m.

- **CONSENT AGENDA**

Jerd Smith presented the treasurer's report. He stated that there had been two CDs that had been renewed, Ambulance for \$50,000 and Sewer for \$60,000. The current rate on CDs is .75%. There are no CDs coming due in September or October. Smith stated that the only real change was in IL Funds. Smith asked when the new water plant checking account would be closed. HLR should be doing a closing soon.

Trustee Noe asked about a payment to Canyon Clark for \$630. Trustee Piper stated that it was computer work and that the village was saving money by having him do the work instead of Tom Taylor or someone else.

Noe also asked about a charge for water meter antennas. Worker Jasen Tubbs stated that the village had ran out and had to order new ones.

Regarding the Past Due Report, customer #20390000 had paid their bill and WADI had paid the bill on customers #20267000 and #30624000. The board discussed customer #10199000 past due amount. Clerk Choate said that they had not been shut off and she had been in contact with customer and told her to contact WADI and Western Wayne Center of Hope. Amy at WADI had told the clerk this week that they had not been contacted by the customer. The board decided to shut off the customer on Tuesday.

Trustee Piper said that the ambulance would be ordering some new diagnostic equipment that is required by IDPH and the cost would be around \$4,000.

Trustee Piper made a motion to accept the consent agenda and Trustee Noe seconded the motion.

Ayes 5: Wood, Simpson, Piper, Noe, McKinney. Approved.  
Absent 1: Austin.

The board discussed Ordinance #589, the Tax Levy Ordinance for the Fiscal Year Beginning May 1, 2020 and Ending April 30, 2021 for the Wayne City Ambulance Service. Trustee McKinney made a motion to adopt Ordinance #589 and Trustee Simpson seconded the motion.

Ayes 5: Simpson, Piper, Noe, McKinney, Wood. Approved.  
Absent 1: Austin.

The board discussed Ordinance #590, an Ordinance Pertaining to the Local Cure Program. Clerk Choate told the board that money had been set aside for Wayne City in the Cure Program but she wasn't sure if the village would be eligible for this. Choate advised the board to adopt the ordinance just in case. Trustee Piper made a motion to adopt Ordinance #590 and Trustee Noe seconded the motion.

Ayes 5: Piper, Noe, McKinney, Wood, Simpson. Approved.  
Absent 1: Austin.

The board discussed terminating the old water plant lease. Trustee Noe asserted the village needed to set a date to turn the building over to Eric Dickey and Kim Dickey and to terminate the lease. Noe said that the board needs to give President Hedden authority to sign and send a Notice to Terminate the Lease to the Dickey's. Noe stated that there would need to be a walk through by both parties and the village would need to get everything out of the building. The

board discussed September 30, 2020 as the possible date but it would depend if they could remove everything out of building by then. It was also decided that Worker Kris Shreve will contact Midwest regarding disconnecting the water line from the old water plant going to the main. Trustee Piper made a motion to give President Hedden authority to terminate the old water plant lease and Trustee Noe seconded the motion.

Ayes 5: Noe, McKinney, Wood, Simpson, Piper. Approved.  
Absent 1: Austin.

Clerk Choate asked the board about having the town wide rummage sales in the fall. The board gave their consent.

Tubbs told the board about a Sidewalk Grant Program with IDOT that was 80/20 with the village paying 20%. Tubbs advised the board that the village needed to decide what they wanted their 20% to be. Tubbs and Austin Ridgely, from HLR, evaluated the village's sidewalks on Wednesday. Tubbs said that they looked at E Robinson Street and also the section of sidewalk from The Tin Shed to the Dollar General Store area. Tubbs told the board that IDOT likes to gain access to a new place of business and they like to see letters from those customers. Tubbs said they also like to build a master plan and for sidewalks to do a loop around a town.

Trustee Wood made a motion to possibly spend \$40,000 (our 20%) for the Sidewalk Grant Program for a total of \$200,000 being spent. Trustee Simpson seconded the motion.

Ayes 5: McKinney, Wood, Simpson, Piper, Noe. Approved.  
Absent 1: Austin.

Trustee Noe then signed the letter agreement from HLR, Inc to accept the engineering services for the sidewalk projects.

- **DISCUSSION ITEMS**

**Public Comments:**

Quentin Simpson asked the board to add to the road from Mound Street to his new residence that will face W Section Line Road. The plan would add 20 feet to the existing road. The board decided in favor of the project.

**Employee Reports:**

Clerk Choate told the board about the generous donation from Fairfield National Bank for \$20,000 for the park equipment. Choate asked the board what they wanted on the sign. The board decided on: Wayne City Village Park.

Trustee Noe made a motion to rescind the decision from the August board meeting concerning the purchasing of new playground equipment for the park for \$20,000 and to now spend \$40,000 (\$20,000 from village and \$20,000 from FNB). Trustee McKinney seconded the motion.

Ayes 5: Wood, Simpson, Piper, Noe, McKinney. Approved.  
Absent 1: Austin.

Worker Bert Clymer told the board that the fountain was not working again at the park and would need to be replaced with a larger unit. Also discussed was how bad the park lake was looking. Someone from the EPA is supposed to be coming to look at it and tell us what needs to be done.

Clerk Choate asked the board about Worker Ray Belmont's sick time. The board decided that any employee off from the coronavirus would not have to use any of their time and that it would be covered.

Choate also asked if the village was still going to have their Christmas Party this year. The board wanted to table this until October meeting.

Worker Tubbs told the board that the village hall roof was leaking. The board decided to get estimates from contractors.

Tubbs told the board that they have been working on the mapping and they have about 15 to 20 manholes left and then they will map Keenes.

Tubbs informed the board that the state just put a weight limit on the bridge south of town to under 68,000 lbs. This is the same bridge that IDOT had previously said was sound and did not need repairs. Tubbs said that this will prevent farmers south of town coming in that way with their semis full. It was decided that President Hedden would call IDOT and Darren Bailey.

Worker Clymer told the board that the village should not do any shut offs on a Friday or right before a holiday. The board agreed.

**Trustee Reports:**

Trustee Piper told the board about the police department needing new radios because of the county switching to digital. The radios will cost around \$2,000. Trustee Piper made a motion to purchase the new radios for the police department and Trustee Noe seconded the motion.

Ayes 5: Simpson, Piper, Noe, McKinney, Wood. Approved.  
Absent 1: Austin.

Trustee Noe asked about an agreement with the county regarding our water tower. Noe was concerned if the village ever needed to do maintenance on the water tower with the county radios being on it. Police Chief Anson Fenton stated that there was a verbal one but he would check on getting something in writing.

Trustee Noe asked about the Humane Society and if they were charging to pick up dogs or cats. There have been several complaints about dogs running loose and about the number of cats running all around town. It was decided that Clerk Choate would consult the contract and send a letter to them.

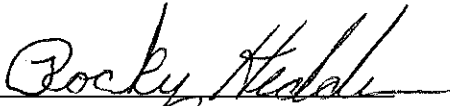
Noe told the board about gas being stolen at the shop building. Chief Fenton stated that it had been taken care of.

The board discussed putting No Trespassing signs by the sewer lagoon for safety reasons.

Trustee Piper told the board that one of the air conditioners in the library had stopped working but because it was one of three air conditioners it was not a critical problem right now. Piper advised replacing it next spring at an estimated cost of \$3,000.

Trustee McKinney made a motion to adjourn at 8:35 p.m. Trustee Simpson seconded the motion.

Motion carried by a voice vote.

  
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President Rocky Hedden

  
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Clerk Staci Choate

Board Meeting Minutes  
September 3, 2020