

# Village of Deer Creek

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**Tuesday July 21, 2009**

**Regular Meeting Minutes**

**President and Board of Trustees**

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF  
THE VILLAGE OF DEER CREEK HELD AT DEER CREEK VILLAGE HALL.

Village President Jim Hackney called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

**I.) ROLL CALL:**

**Present:** Trustees Terry Bobell, Karl Eschelbach, Mark Killion, Mark Rich, Mark Smith and Mike Wallace.

**Absent:** None.

**Also Present:** Clerk Lori Lewis, PWS Francis Wort, PWA Mike Carr, Treasurer Bre Graefing, and Attorney Mark McGrath.

**II.) APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA:**

Trustee Eschelbach moved and Trustee Bobell seconded the motion to approve the Consent Agenda as presented.

**On roll call the vote was:**

**Ayes:** 6 – Bobell, Eschelbach, Killion, Smith, Rich and Wallace.

**Nays:** 0 – None. There being six affirmative votes...**Motion Carried.**

**III.) PUBLIC COMMENT:** At this time, the board moved into the Public Hearing regarding the proposed sewer rate increase. Pres. Hackney informed those in attendance that the proposed increase would not raise the minimum use bill but would increase sewer fees to \$.30 per 100 gallons of water used. This would increase the average water user's bill by approximately \$4.00. Resident Kim Fritch was present and questioned the high iron in the water. The cost of water treatment is quite high and first priorities are the tower and well. The water department is also investigating a product that may help with the high mineral content. No additional comments were heard and the hearing adjourned.

**IV.) ADDITIONAL REPORTS:**

A. **Public Works Superintendent** – Report on file. PWS Wort was asked about the markings on the streets. These are the areas Ron Bauman will be sealing before the street work begins. The street work is scheduled for the third week in August. No news has been received regarding additional funding.

B. **Zoning Board of Appeal** – No report.

C. **Planning Commission** – No report.

D. **Police Chief** – Report on file.

Trustee Bobell moved and Trustee Killion seconded the motion authorizing the expenditure of up to \$150 for the summer shirts and new badges for the police department, the balance of the expense being paid for with the remaining 2008 Goodfield funds.

**On roll call the vote was:**

**Ayes:** 6 – Bobell, Eschelbach, Killion, Smith, Rich and Wallace.

**Nays:** 0 – None. There being six affirmative votes...**Motion Carried.**

The status of the Deer Creek Township intergovernmental agreement with the police department was questioned. It also expired in April and it is unknown if the township has a new agreement.

E. **Engineer** – No report.

F. **Attorney** – The clerk discussed the possibility of an early payoff of the Rural Development bonds and asked the attorney if TIF funds could be used for this purpose. The bonds were for sewer work and according to the attorney, TIF funds could be used. The early payoffs would save the village two years of a higher interest rate. This issue will be added to next month's agenda.

The attorney also stated that before an agreement is signed with Safety Kleen, from Goodfield, the agreement should be fully reviewed by the attorney.

V.) **OLD BUSINESS:** None.

VI.) **NEW BUSINESS:**

Trustee Bobell moved and Trustee Killion seconded the motion to approve Resolution 09-4.

**On roll call the vote was:**

**Ayes:** 6 – Bobell, Eschelbach, Killion, Smith, Rich and Wallace.

**Nays:** 0 – None. There being six affirmative votes...**Motion Carried.**

Trustee Bobell moved and Trustee Killion seconded the motion to adopt Ordinance 549.

**On roll call the vote was:**

**Ayes:** 6 – Bobell, Eschelbach, Killion, Smith, Rich and Wallace.

**Nays:** 0 – None. There being six affirmative votes...**Motion Carried.**

Trustee Killion moved and Trustee Bobell seconded the motion to authorize the village president and trustees to sign and to approve the auditor's contract for two years in the amount of \$2750 per year.

**On roll call the vote was:**

**Ayes:** 6 – Bobell, Eschelbach, Killion, Smith, Rich and Wallace.

**Nays:** 0 – None. There being six affirmative votes...**Motion Carried.**

Trustee Bobell expressed that he was very pleased with the audit as presented. Attorney McGrath stated that Mr. Grimes specializes in municipal audits and therefore is thorough in his reports. No further quotes were necessary to obtain.

Village President Hackney reported that he had spoken with Mr. Fuller and at this time Mr. Fuller has no intentions regarding the development of his property.

Trustee Eschelbach will obtain copies of the police logs from Chief Edwards in order for the police committee to track hours, shifts, calls, etc. to determine how to better manage hours.

VII.) **CALENDAR ITEMS:**

Police Committee

August 11

6:00 p.m. at village hall

Committee Meetings

August 17

6:00 p.m. at village hall

Regular Village Board

August 18

7:00 p.m. at village hall

**VIII.) ADJOURNMENT:**

There being no further business to conduct, Trustee Wallace moved and Trustee Killion seconded the motion to adjourn.

The board unanimously approved the motion and the meeting adjourned at 7:36 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lori Lewis  
Village Clerk