

Village of Deer Creek

101 W. First Ave. PO Box 38

Deer Creek, IL 61733

Tuesday March 16, 2010

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 7:02 p.m.

I.) **ROLL CALL:**

Present: Trustees Tony Berardi, Karl Eschelbach, Mark Rich, Jerry Roy and Amy Stedman.

Absent: Trustee Mike Wallace.

Also Present: Clerk Lori Lewis, Treasurer Bre Grafing, Chief Jim Edwards, and Attorney Pat McGrath.

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

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

On roll call the vote was:

Ayes: 5 – Berardi, Eschelbach, Rich, Roy and Stedman.

Nays: 0 – None.

Absent: 1 – Wallace. There being five affirmative votes...**Motion Carried.**

III.) **PUBLIC COMMENT:** None.

IV.) **ADDITIONAL REPORTS:**

A. **Public Works Superintendent** – Report on file.

B. **Zoning Board of Appeal/Planning Commission** – Report on file.

C. **Police Chief** – Report on file.

D. **Engineer** – No report.

E. **Attorney** – Attorney McGrath discussed the agreement with the school regarding the vacation of a portion of Green Street. Items discussed included the school's request to prohibit of all above-ground structures on the village maintained right of ways. This is a concern because of the possible need for hydrants. The village would recommend they be allowed to maintain fire hydrants or other necessary above-ground structures on the right-of-way, not where the street currently is. The school also requests a provision that includes if the village must do any work in the right-of-way that the property is replaced to its original condition. The consensus of the board is that this requirement is acceptable.

Attorney McGrath reported that the research done regarding the use of TIF funds to set up a revolving loan fund shows that this is not an acceptable use of these funds. He is still researching the use of TIF funds for investments purposes. He suggested the village consider a business development district as a possible way to generate additional income.

The Public hearing for the purpose of hearing comments regarding the vacation of a portion of W. Green Street opened at 7:13 p.m.

President Hackney opened the hearing with an explanation of the proposal. Public comments were heard. Mary Eschelbach expressed her concern regarding the closure of the street and asked how this portion of Green Street would be blocked off. That would be up to the school to decide.

Hearing no further comments, the hearing was closed at 7:26 p.m.

V.) OLD BUSINESS:

Trustee Eschelbach moved and Trustee Rich seconded the motion to award the alternate #1 bid for construction of the water tower to Phoenix Fabrications in the amount of \$545,700 as recommended by the village engineer.

On roll call the vote was:

Ayes: 5 – Berardi, Eschelbach, Rich, Roy and Stedman.

Nays: 0 – None.

Absent: 1 – Wallace. There being five affirmative votes...**Motion Carried.**

Trustee Stedman moved and Trustee Berardi seconded the motion to adopt Ordinance 559 regarding the disposal of surplus village property.

On roll call the vote was:

Ayes: 5 – Berardi, Eschelbach, Rich, Roy and Stedman.

Nays: 0 – None.

Absent: 1 – Wallace. There being five affirmative votes...**Motion Carried.**

VI.) NEW BUSINESS:

Trustee Stedman moved and Trustee Eschelbach seconded the motion to approve the renewal of the Class “C” and “D” liquor license to Margaret Moore, Nana’s Bar & Grill for a term of one year beginning May 1, 2010 and ending April 31, 2011 as recommended by the liquor commissioner and the police chief.

On roll call the vote was:

Ayes: 5 – Berardi, Eschelbach, Rich, Roy and Stedman.

Nays: 0 – None.

Absent: 1 – Wallace. There being five affirmative votes...**Motion Carried.**

Trustee Stedman moved and Trustee Eschelbach seconded the motion to apply for the grant, to proceed with the expenses upon approval of the grant and to authorize the Village President and Clerk to sign and execute any and all necessary paperwork for the Public Sector Energy Efficiency Program (PSEE) grant for the replacement of the three drives on the pumps at the lagoon with variable speed drives.

On roll call the vote was:

Ayes: 5 – Berardi, Eschelbach, Rich, Roy and Stedman.

Nays: 0 – None.

Absent: 1 – Wallace. There being five affirmative votes...**Motion Carried.**

Trustee Rich moved and Trustee Eschelbach seconded the motion authorizing the Village President and Clerk to sign and execute the recycling grant agreement with Tazewell County Health Department in the amount of \$537.50.

On roll call the vote was:

Ayes: 5 – Berardi, Eschelbach, Rich, Roy and Stedman.

Nays: 0 – None.

Absent: 1 – Wallace. There being five affirmative votes...**Motion Carried.**

Trustee Berardi moved and Trustee Roy seconded the motion to approve the payment request to the EDC in the amount of \$3150 for administrative costs regarding the water tower grant.

On roll call the vote was:

Ayes: 5 – Berardi, Eschelbach, Rich, Roy and Stedman.

Nays: 0 – None.

Absent: 1 – Wallace. There being five affirmative votes...**Motion Carried.**

PWA Carr asked about the reimbursement of the required CDL and was informed that this license is a condition of his employment and is reimbursable.

The board discussed abandoned vehicles and dangerous and unsafe buildings. Chief Edwards is working on notifications and the village is willing to work with homeowners to get their properties to code before moving forward with legal actions.

The village will open the lagoon area for clean up during April.

VII.) CALENDAR ITEMS:

Zoning/Planning	April 6	6:00 p.m. at village hall
Police Committee	April 13	6:00 p.m. at village hall
Committee Meetings	April 19	6:00 p.m. at village hall
Regular Village Board	April 20	7:00 p.m. at village hall

VIII.) ADJOURNMENT:

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

The board unanimously approved the motion by voice vote and the meeting adjourned at 7:54 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lori Lewis
Village Clerk