

John Zouski, Village President called to order the April 14, 2015 Village Board Meeting at 7:00 p.m. in the Municipal Building.

Roll Call: Angela Wiese, Dorothy Caves, Wayne Cummings, Amanda Gear, Jeffrey Reabe and Randy Zettelmeier

Motion by Caves, second by Wiese to approve the agenda as submitted.
Motion carried.

Motion by Wiese, second by Gear to approve the minutes from March 3, 2015 and March 10, 2015. Motion carried.

Guests: Alva Gear, Brianne Kotolski, Chad Weis, Corey Conley, Aaron Kumferman, Dan Miller, Seth Rehwinkle, Lyle Gear, Ed Makaryk and Dean Wiese.

Alva Gear asked if someone could talk to the owner of the house west of the bowling alley who keeps putting used cars out on their lawn for sale. He said this does not seem right as we already have a car dealership in our town. He said he thought there might be an ordinance against this. Kumferman will check and see what is in the ordinances and speak to the homeowner.

Motion by Zettelmeier, second by Wiese to approve the bills as presented.
Motion carried.

Committee Reports:

Caves said she had a couple of parks committee meetings this past month to discuss improvements to Veteran's Park and the other parks in town. The Lions Club will be purchasing and putting in new playground equipment in Veteran's Park for approx. \$28,000.00 near the splash pad. She said that the Threshermen would like to see updated electrical service done in Veterans' Park and an estimate was obtained by Simply Wilkins for approx. \$4,000.00.

Gear said she had a water and sewer committee meeting with the renters of our agriculture property. Last year there was a problem with nematodes in the soil and the crop yield was down. The problem comes in because of not having crop rotation. The only thing that can be grown on the land is a crop for non human consumption because twice a year our sewer water is pumped on the property. The renter said that this year they will be planting soybeans, which have not been planted on the land for a number of years and see if this helps the nematode problem.

Reabe said he had a meeting with the Police Dept, Clerk and Deputy Clerk and the Fire Dept., Clerk and Deputy Clerk to discuss their budget numbers. He said after all parties met, their figures were in agreement. He said the surplus from

the Fire Dept. budget of \$6,500.00 is on for approval to be transferred in the Fire Commission Savings Account to help pay down the loan on the existing fire truck. Reabe also said that he researched the residency requirement for our Fire Chief. A new law that was passed in 2013 by Gov. Walker says that a fire department or police department member, even a Chief, does not have to be a resident of the Village.

Zouski reported on the TIF District. He said everything has went through on our end for the TIF District creation. He said he spoke to Roger Erdman on Saturday and his intentions is to still build a hardware store and laundry mat on the property he purchased. He said he is in the process of cleaning up the lot, but there was asbestos found in the building, so he has to wait 21 days as per the DNR before he can remove it. Zouski said the building should be up in about 6 months.

Items For Discussion:

The maintenance department has asked for a seasonal helper for the summer months. The board agreed to place an ad to hire a seasonal helper.

Weis gave an update on the Firemen's Jamboree and the improvements they would like to do to Veteran's Park. He said that two of the items are on for approval tonight. He said the grove of trees needs to be removed to put in the fire lanes for the water fights. He said that David Bacon is willing to donate his time and services to clear the trees and make the fire lanes. He only asks that a sign be placed in the park saying "built and donated" by Bacon Construction. The board did not have a problem with him placing a sign in the park. Also, discussed was a way to bring more water to the area where the water fights will be taking place. It was suggested to connect onto the well in Veteran's Park and bury a 4" inch pipe to bring water to the needed area. Weis said the addition to the pavilion would not be done this year, possibly in 2016. They are looking at adding a 50' x 70' addition onto the east side. He said that the extra room would make it easier for the entertainment and keep noise out of the food area when the band is playing. The Fire Fighters Inc. will be asking for donations for the addition.

The final item discussed was an increase in wages for the poll workers. The surrounding communities are paying their poll workers \$10.00 per hour and the Village poll workers are paid \$8.00 and haven't had a raise since 2006.

Items To Be Acted Upon:

Motion by Caves, second by Wiese to approve building permits for Jerry Lauer (328 N. Main St.), new roof and Joshua Friebel (135 S. Center St.) interior remodel and deck. Motion carried.

Motion by Reabe, second by Zettelmeier to approve Marie Reid placing and running a food trailer in Garden Square Park. Motion carried.

Motion by Gear, second by Reabe to approve transferring \$6,500.00 into the Fire Commission Savings Account from surplus from Fire Dept. Budget for applying to Fire Truck Payment. **Motion amended to read:** approve transferring \$6,500.00 out of the General Fund Account into the Fire Commission Savings Account from surplus from the Fire Dept. Budget. Motion carried. Angela Wiese abstained.

Motion by Wiese , second by Zettelmeier to approve hiring a part time maintenance helper for up to 32 hours per week for June, July and August for \$8.50 per hour. Motion carried.

Motion by Cummings, second by Gear to approve operator's license for Annette Perez for Plainfield Bowl and Bar. Motion carried.

Motion by Zettelmeier, second by Reabe to approve the Fire Dept removing a grove of trees in Veteran's Park east of the soccer field for the Firemen's Jamboree funded completely by the Fire Fighters, Inc. Motion carried. It was requested that the entire soccer field be roped off or poles placed around it during the Firemen's Jamboree so no one walks or drives onto it. Weis said this was most definitely going to be done during the 3 day event.

Motion by Zettelmeier, second by Reabe to approve an addition to the Veteran's Park Pavilion funded by Fire Fighters Inc. Motion carried. Reabe said he would like to see all the funding secured before Firefighters Inc. put up the building so the Village doesn't get stuck paying for this addition.

Motion by Caves, second by Wiese to approve poll workers wage increase from \$8.00 per hour to \$10.00 per hour effective May 1, 2015. Motion carried.

Motion by Caves, second by Wiese to have the Lions Club Place an 39' x 43' Playground Set in Veteran's Park. Motion carried.

Announcements:

Open Book, Thursday, April 23, 2015 from 2:00 - 4:00 p.m. Village Office.

Motion by Wiese, second by Zettelmeier to adjourn at 7:45 p.m. Motion carried.

Brenda Black
Village Clerk