

VILLAGE HALL
213 N. Douglas
PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 2018
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES #18-21
CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Present	Mayor Richard Schiefer	Trustee Bobby Ross
	Village Clerk Kathy Becker	Trustee Guideon Richeson
	Chief Gary Kukla	Trustee George Gavlick
	Attorney Andy Carruthers	Attorney James Craney

Absent: Trustee Chris Tolbert
Trustee Tim Elliott
Trustee Mark Eilers

Quorum present
Meeting called to order at 6:33 pm

I. APPROVAL OF MINUTES AND AGENDA

1. Trustee Richeson made a motion to approve the minute's 18-20 for October 17, 2018. Trustee Ross seconds the motion. Roll call vote, all in favor, motion passed.
2. Trustee Richeson made a motion to approve the agenda 18-21 for November 7, 2018. Trustee Gavlick seconds. Roll call vote, all in favor, motion passed.

II. COMMUNICATIONS

III. OPEN TO PUBLIC:

IV. TREASURER REPORT: Joanne presented the board the September 2018 treasurer report.

Overall the Village had a surplus of \$40 thousand. Year to date it's \$127 thousand.

Deficit in General fund for month and year. As always, that wouldn't be the case if we didn't treat the transfers to the debt funds as expenditures.

The police sub fund and street fund continues to be a problem because of salaries. Public grounds sub fund deficit is \$12 thousand for the month and \$75 thousand year to date. Half of that is the transfers to the debt accounts, several different things creates the rest of the deficit .Audit fund has a deficit for September because the year's audit bill was paid in September and will operate at a surplus for the rest of the year. Insurance fund has a significant surplus but that will change soon because the annual premium in the amount of \$34 thousand is on the agenda for approval tonight. Our cash balance is \$938 thousand. There's an agenda item that will close that \$66 thousand construction account and remit it as a payment against principal on our loan with the USDA. Trustee Richeson made a motion to accept the September treasurer report. Trustee Gavlick seconds. Roll call vote, all in favor, motion passed.

VI. COMMITTEES:

A. COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT/HEALTH:

1. Trustee Elliott was not present.
2. St Jacob Lion's Club volunteered to supply and decorate the green space next to the Village Hall for the holidays and would like the approval from the board. Trustee Gavlick made a motion to approve the decorating. Trustee Ross seconds. Roll call vote, Trustee Richeson abstain, and 2 ayes, motion passed.
3. HOMECOMING REPORT: Mayor Schiefer stated that the committee for next year is needing volunteers so if anyone is interested to let him know.

B. WATER AND SEWER

1. Trustee Tolbert not present. Discussion ensued regarding the contracts with Certop, Inc., the present contract ends at the end of November. Curtis explained to the board that he would like a couple more months before he take over as the certified operator. Mayor Schiefer will contact Chris Hortsmann/Certop, Inc. to discuss the renewal contracts. Tabled to next meeting.

C. POLICE:

1. Trustee Eilers was not present
2. Chief Kukla stated there were 63 calls, 46 on view and 17 phone.

D. ORDINANCE AND FINANCE

1. Trustee Gavlick stated that the renewal of the health insurance for next is will have a 2.1% increase in premiums with United Healthcare. Trustee Ross made a motion to approve the renewal. Trustee Richeson seconds. Roll call vote, all in favor, motion passed,
2. Discussion ensued regarding the copier machine lease and a renewal proposal from Da-Com and a proposal from Watts Copy System. Trustee Richeson made a motion to stay with Da-Com and renewal the lease. Trustee Ross seconds. Roll call vote, all in favor, motion passed.

E. PUBLIC GROUNDS & BUILDINGS

1. Discussion ensued on a proposal from Southwestern Construction to replace the soffit, fascia and gutters at the Activity Center. Trustee Richeson made a motion to approve the proposal in the amount of \$13,400. Trustee Ross seconds. Roll call vote, all in favor, motion passed.

F. STREETS AND LANES/MOTOR FUEL TAX:

2. Trustee Richeson had nothing to report at this time.

IV. REPORTS:

- A. Engineer Report-Nothing to report.
- B. Village Attorney-Nothing to report
- C. FOIA request-Nothing to report.
- D. Building Inspector- Nothing to report.
- E. Planning Commission-Nothing to report.
- F. Zoning Officer- Nothing to report.

V. OLD BUSINESS:

- A. Local resident Rik Ritter addressed the board regarding a proposed solar farm that will be located within the 1 ½ mile radius of the Village. He stated his concerns being will the Village benefit anything from it, and if after the 25-year lease will there be any problems with getting rid of the solar equipment after that. There is a meeting scheduled at Madison County on November 13 @ 5pm.
- B. Todd Lindow addressed the board pertaining to the drainage issue on West 5th St. Discussion ensued between Todd, Trustee's, Engineer Bob Massa and residences regarding the problems. The adjacent property is owned by CSX railroad.

VI. NEW BUSINESS:

VII. CLAIMS:

- A. Trustee Richeson made a motion to approve the claims in the amount of \$80,530.61. Trustee Gavlick seconds. Roll call vote, all in favor, motion passed.
- B. Trustee Gavlick made a motion to approve the amount of \$66,912.07 payout of the construction loan back to USDA to go toward the principle of the loan. Trustee Richeson seconds. Roll call vote, all in favor, motion passed.

VIII. OPEN TO PUBLIC:

- IX. CLOSED SESSION: Trustee Ross moved to go from open to closed session for the purpose of discussion the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance or dismissal of specific employees. (5 ILCS 120/2© 1) and pending litigation. Voice call vote, all in favor, motion passed.

X. OPEN SESSION:

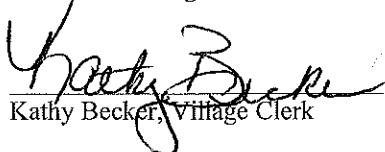
- A. No action taken.

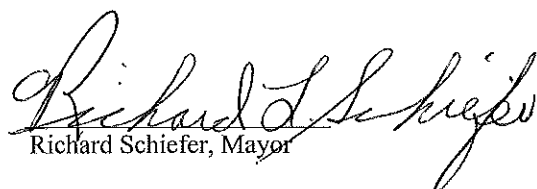
XI. ADJOURNMENT:

- A. Trustee Ross made a motion to adjourn. Trustee Richeson seconds. Voice call vote, all in favor, motion passed.

Meeting was adjourned 8:35 p.m.

The next meeting will be November 21, 2018


Kathy Becker, Village Clerk


Richard Schiefer, Mayor