

MINUTES

REGULAR VILLAGE BOARD MEETING
6:30 PM, MARCH 24, 2009

A. MOMENT OF SILENCE

B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

C. ROLL CALL

Board: Trustees Herr - present, Schatteman - present, Boyle - present, Reynolds - present, McGrath - present, Kavanagh - present, and President Gray - present.

Others: - Clerk Schad, Treasurer Dierking, Director Branham and Village Attorney John Myers.

D. HEARING OF CITIZENS

Diana MacGregor complained about a neighbor's "malicious fire" that was set to burn tree limbs. The fire was extinguished by the Chatham Fire Protection District because winds were too high. Ms. MacGregor was very "frustrated with the village" and said the neighbor "has never been charged for numerous violations of the law" - including criminal activity. Mayor Gray told Ms. MacGregor that alleged criminal activity can't be discussed by the village board; it is a matter for the police department. The mayor encouraged her to meet with the police department. However, he said appropriate village administrators will research all ordinance violations.

E. CONSENT AGENDA

Trustee Herr moved, seconded by Trustee Kavanagh, to approve the Consent Agenda.

Consent Agenda item(s):

1. Regular Board Meeting Minutes (03-10-09)
2. Payment of Warrants (Res. 11-09)

3. Committee Reports

ADMINISTRATIVE – Trustee McGrath
March 17, 6:00

Randy Counsel gave the committee an update on the **Human Resource project** for the Village of Chatham. Work will continue and Mr. Counsel asked committee members to provide any input to Director McCord concerning the work that has been performed so far.

Treasurer Dierking presented an overview of the budget process with the Director's providing their budget requests to date. More work will continue to cut the budget further in the next two weeks. Treasurer Dierking also indicated Sikich Gardner has preliminarily asked the village to perform audit services for next year.

PUBLIC WORKS – Trustee Herr
March 17, Following Administrative

Water Project - EMC and Donohue Associates presented a detailed review of the project and quality of both raw and finished water, as a follow-up to concerns and questions raised at the 3/10/2009 Village Board Meeting We are still in the process of waiting for Springfield's offer for a long term water contract before making the final decision to accept the proposed

independent water project. Major considerations for a Springfield contract will be the volume of water available (GPD), no boundary restrictions, price with no distribution fees or charges and provide an affordable water source for New Berlin.

The SATS Economic Recovery Application will now include funding the box culvert portion of the Gordon Drive project at the approximate cost of \$500,000-600,000 and funding a project in Sherman. This was done to spread the funds around to benefit more areas of the County.

The Village lawyer provided an ordinance for review to deal with **unlicensed boats, trailers, cars, trucks, etc...**, that are often used as junk or storage receptacles. We have looked at other towns' ordinances and rules dealing with these types of items. There will need to be a public hearing by the Zoning Board.

The **Avenel Subdivision revised preliminary plan** will be reviewed by the Planning Commission at their next meeting. The revisions include a 60' extension of the cul-de-sac to allow 2 additional lots and to waive the requirement for a sidewalk along Walnut street.

Two bids were received for providing **sanitary sewer service in exchange for water main easements along Walnut Street**. The Board agreed to accept the bid of \$6,349.00 from Petersburg Plumbing based on their experience, which was \$71.50 higher than the lowest bid.

The **2009 MFT program** will be developed and ready for review by the committee at the next meeting. Also a need for drainage improvements at

the NE corner of Rte 4 and Walnut Street will be considered. TIP funds could be used for this project.

Final testing to make sure the **new substation** is ready to go on-line will be completed over a three week period, beginning 4/13/2009 through 5/4/2009. There will be no impact on electric Customers during this test period.

A bid for **mowing the cemeteries** for the summer was accepted from, Terry Brown for \$9,500.

(Committee reports are written by Committee Chairmen. They are scanned into the minutes without editing – except spelling and formatting.)

There being no discussion, the motion to approve the Consent Agenda passed by roll call vote 6 yes, 0 no, 0 absent as follows: Herr – yes, Schatteman – yes, Boyle – yes, Reynolds – yes, McGrath – yes, Kavanagh – yes.

F. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Mayor Gray announced the Police Chief's retirement May1, 2009.

G. CLERK'S REPORT

Clerk Schad has received the latest update of the Village Code from American Legal Publishing Company. They will be distributed.

H. OLD BUSINESS

Ordinance 09-10 Amending Certain Provisions of the Off-Street Parking Ordinance. A Public Hearing regarding this ordinance is scheduled for April 16, 7:00 PM.

I. NEW BUSINESS

Trustee Boyle moved, seconded by Trustee McGrath, to bring to the table **Ordinance 09-11, An Ordinance Accepting a Bid for Cemetery Mowing.** A bid of \$9,500 was accepted from Terry Brown. 09-11 passed by roll call vote 6 yes, 0 no, 0 absent as follows: Herr – yes, Schatteman – yes, Boyle – yes, Reynolds – yes, McGrath – yes, Kavanagh – yes.

Trustee Herr moved, seconded by Trustee McGrath, to bring to the table **Ordinance 09-12, An Ordinance Accepting a Bid for Sanitary Service Sewers at Alex Jones and Judy Inslee Properties.** A bid of \$62,775 from Biggs Inc was accepted for the extension of sewer services to the sanitary sewer on Chatham Road, in connection with a required water main easement. 09-12 passed by roll call vote 5 yes, 1 no, 0 absent as follows: Herr – yes, Schatteman – yes, Boyle – yes, Reynolds – yes, McGrath – yes, Kavanagh – **no**.

Trustee Herr moved, seconded by Trustee McGrath, to bring to the table **Resolution 12-09, A Resolution Authorizing an Agreement with Greene & Bradford Inc. to Perform Engineering Services on Gordon Drive.** The village is already engaged in a phase one engineering study for an improvement on Gordon Drive. The Illinois Department of Transportation is requiring an engineering analysis that wasn't included in the existing agreement and the village wants to complete the phase one engineering study. This approval of the supplemental engineering agreement is contingent upon authorization for additional federal funds to cover 80% of the total cost of the supplement. 12-09 passed by roll call vote 6 yes, 0 no, 0 absent as follows: Herr – yes, Schatteman – yes, Boyle – yes, Reynolds – yes, McGrath – yes, Kavanagh – yes.

Director of Utilities and Administration, McCord talked about a proposed TIF project that would widen Walnut Street to three lanes from Route 4 to East Street. Discussions will continue.

J. CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Public Property Committee - None Scheduled
Administrative Committee - March 31, 6:00 PM
Public Works Committee - Follows Administrative
Regular Village Board - April 14, 6:30 PM
Planning Commission - Third Thursday, 7:00 PM

K. ADJOURNMENT

Having no further business to come before the board, Trustee Kavanagh moved, seconded by Trustee McGrath, to adjourn. The Motion passed by voice vote.

Respectfully Submitted,
Pat Schad, Village Clerk