

**Minutes of a Regular Meeting for the Village of Cerro Gordo
March 18, 2019**

The monthly meeting of the Mayor and Board of Trustees met at 6:00 pm on March 18, 2019 in the Village Hall. The following members were present: Mayor Dennis Ridgeway, Trustees Tim Allen, Linda Ash, Jeff Powers, Brad Williams, Trustee Martin, Trustee Weldy and PW Mark Blickensderfer, Attorney Susan Nicholas, Treasurer Stacy Henderson, Clerk Tina McCarty.
Also present Engineer Tom Overmyer

The meeting was called to order and the pledge recited.

Public Forum

Rodney Lang was present to speak about a few concerns. One concern is when will the village clean up the area in front of the Village shed? It has a large pile of dirt, rock, and metal. He feels that if this was a residents property they would have to clean it up. He is concerned that residents use village property as if it was their own. Residents should not be allowed to dump items at the shed, in village dumpsters or other village property. Also residents should not be allowed to use village property at the village cost. He is also concerned about the semi that is parked over at the property with the generator running. Mayor Ridgeway stated that Mr. Lange has valid points the village will start the process of cleaning up the area in front of the shed as soon as possible, and will address other concerns.

D.J. Cooper with Ambit Energy, he wanted leave information about his company, he wants the Village to take a look at it, he feels that he could save the village more than Homefield energy. The Village will review the information.

Tom Hyde was present and wanted to know about a FOIA request he file. Village attorney answered his question, He did not ask for Election Board expenditures in his FOIA. Tom stated he will submit a new request.

Lee Gagnon was present and stated he was concerned about the storm sewer by his house, it needed to be cleaned it was full of rock. The village will take a look at it and clean it.

Chris Conour was present to ask if he could put a new drive on his property that sits adjacent to an alley, his driveway will be on top of a water main he is aware if the Village needs access to the main, they would have to go through the driveway.

Tony Piraino was present with his TIF application, the application will have to be on the next agenda for a vote.

Consent Agenda;

- A. Approve minutes from February 18, 2019
- B. Approve minutes from Special meeting February 25, 2019
- C. Approve claims report
- D. Approve financial reports
- E. Approve police report
- F. Approve public works report

No further discussion and a MOTION to approve the consent agenda was made by Trustee Allen, seconded Trustee Williams, Roll Call: all Yeas. Motion carried by Omnibus Vote.

Water Adjustments;

MOTION was made by Trustee Ash, seconded by Trustee Powers, to approve water adjustments for Chris Malone For \$202.39 to \$79.76 and Jim Cederberg \$130.10 to \$76.66 Roll call all yeas.

Unfinished Business;

A. Goal based employee compensation form

The employees are on track with their goals

B. Updates from Engineer Tom Overmyer

Tom Overmyer was present to update the board on the IEPA Grant. It has a potential for 75% forgiveness. Tom will put together an updated proposal for the board.

C. Scout Hall

Received Quotes for some repairs for Scout Hall. Board will review and put on next agenda, discussion about scout

hall is ongoing.

D. Water Leakage insurance offering

Survey has been completed by the Village, waiting on Serv-Line to get back with the Village on cost.

F. Forestry Grant Program

Motion was made by Trustee Jeff Powers, seconded by Trustee Williams, to except Graft Tree Company, for survey of Trees for Grant.

New Businesses;

A. Eagle Scout speaker

Boy Scout Hunter Rincker was present to share his proposal for his Eagle Scout project at Veteran's Park. His plan is to build a square pergola with a wood chip walking path by the bond.

B. Sheriff David Hunt/ Piatt County Police Dept

Sheriff David Hunt was present to say that the Village of Cerro Gordo will have a full time police officer out of Piatt County to start on March 19th they will use the Piatt county car for now.

D. Discussion possible action on Grant Water /Waste Water

needs to be on next agenda

E. Discussion possible action on Municipal Panhandling/ Solicitor's Ordinances

discussion only do not need to do anything at this time.

F. Discussion possible action TIF application

Tabled

V. EXECUTIVE SESSION

MOTION made by Trustee Williams, seconded by Trustee Ash, to move into executive session at 6:55pm for Discussion personnel 120/2 (c) (1) Roll call: all yeas.

Motion made by Trustee Ash, seconded by Trustee Powers, to move back into regular session at 7:20 pm

Mayor Report:

wanted to let the board know that channel 3 will be doing Home town information on Cerro Gordo. Wanted to know if anyone wanted to be part of it. Some things will be new house TIF Clinic/ Pharmacy, Vets park, JFL and the new Bar.

VI. Trustee Reports;

Mike Martin – he would like the decision to be reversed on the water line damage from his yard. Attorney Nicholas stated that it must be put back on the agenda on next meeting and a motion to reconsider the previous motion.

Aaron Weldy - none

Jeff Powers -Time to move the speed signs around

Linda Ash- Pot holes need to be repaired.

Tim Allen – Stated that Nancy Marvin noticed progress at Scout hall.

Brad Williams -none

No further business came before the Board and a Motion to adjourn was made by Trustee Ash, second by Trustee Allen, at 7:30pm all yeas.

Tina McCarty

Village Clerk 3/18/19