

**Minutes of a Regular Meeting for the Village of Cerro Gordo
February 19, 2018**

The monthly meeting of the Mayor and Board of Trustees met at 6:00 pm on February 19, 2018 in the Village Hall. The following members were present: Mayor Brad Williams, Trustees Tim Allen, Linda Ash, Aaron Weldy, Jeff Powers, Dennis Ridgeway, Attorney Susan Nicholas, Treasurer Stacy Henderson, Clerk Tina McCarty. Trustee Mike Martin absent.

Also present Phoenix Consulting Engineer Tom Overmyer

The meeting was called to order and the pledge recited.

Public Forum

Debbie Hull was in attendance to speak on behalf of the 61818 (6-18-18) committee. She let the Board know that the first meeting went well, and that they have some great ideas. There is another meeting set for March 13, 2018 at 5:30pm at the Civic Center. The committee will be looking for donations just not sure how much at this time. More information to come.

Danaka Bulthuis was in attendance to ask for a donation for the post prom committee. This item is on the agenda

Consent Agenda;

- A. Approve minutes from January 15, 2017
- B. Approve minutes from Special meeting. No special meeting
- 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 Powers, seconded Trustee Ash, Roll Call: all Yeas. **Approved by the Omnibus Vote Designation.**

Water Adjustments;

Treasurer Henderson presented one adjustment for Chris Carter \$102.41 to \$70.75 MOTION was made by Trustee Ash, seconded by Trustee Ridgeway, Roll Call all yeas.

Unfinished Business;

A. Water Main Project:

Engineer Tom Overmyer was present to update the Board on where the Village is on the watermain project. The contractors will be out as of March 1st to continue work, weather permitting.

B. Dollar General Sidewalk

Attorney Nicholas stated that her office will be submitting another letter. Once the other letter is sent then there is 10 days to file.

New Businesses;

A. Post Prom committee member Jeni Vogel for donation to Post Prom- 2017 was \$750.00

Danaka Bulthuis was at the meeting to represent the Post Prom committee. MOTION was made by Trustee Powers, seconded by Trustee Ash, to donate \$750.00 to Post Prom. Roll Call: all yeas.

B. Plat Approval

Subdivision by Madison Street with access to Veterans Park proposed with 6 lots. MOTION was made by Trustee Allen, seconded by Trustee Powers to approve preliminary plat for lot 102A. Roll Call: all yeas.

C. Gene Sharp

A bill was presented to the Board for repairs for Mr. Sharp's leaks that he had in his house, Mr. Sharp was not present. The Board stated that the repairs are on Mr. Sharp's lines not the Village lines and Board agrees it is not the responsibility of the Village to pay.

D. Information only Mediacom Local Broadcast station surcharge rate raised

Local Broadcast Station Surcharge old rate: \$10.53 new rate: \$11.07

E Discussion and possible action to purchase two more radar signs for \$2725.00 each.

MOTION was made by Trustee Ridgeway, seconded by Trustee Allen to purchase two radar signs for the Village each one at a cost of \$2725.00. Roll Call: all yeas.

F. Mediacom lease

The Mayor did receive a lease from Mediacom the Board would like to have a few changes made to the lease before it is signed, MOTION was made by Trustee Allen, seconded by Trustee Weldy to accept Mediacom lease with amendments to lease. Roll Call: all yeas.

G. Goal based employee compensation forms

Trustee Weldy presented a sheet for the Village employees to use for performance goals. The compensation committee will get with employees to go over how to utilize the sheets for business objectives. The form will be put into place at the beginning of the fiscal year which is May 1st. The S.M.A.R.T plans will be reviewed each quarter of the fiscal year with each employee.

H. Discussion on county policing vs local policing

Mayor Williams stated that currently the Village has two part time Police officers. Officer Mudd and Office Gaitros are doing a good job patrolling the Village. The line of communication between Piatt county police and the Village part time officers are good. Mayor Williams also said that Officer Mudd updates him daily. Mayor Williams went on to say that if the Village was to hire a new Chief of Police for Cerro Gordo that individual would have to reside in the Village. The Board has reviewed surrounding areas contracts to gain insight into what a contract could look like for Cerro Gordo. Some information that the Board knows will be that the Village police car will be kept at the Piatt County office for Deputy's to use on rotation. The Village could gain coverage of hours from 40 to 60. Resident Kevin Good was present and asked how often would Piatt county patrol the Village? This would vary, could be 4 hours in the day and 4 hours at night. He also stated he had concerns with response time from Piatt county. No decision has been made yet the Board is still discussing the matter.

V. EXECUTIVE SESSION

VI. Trustee Reports;

Mike Martin- *absent*

Aaron Weldy- *asked if the village could get a dry erase board for their S.M.A.R.T goals.*

Jeff Powers- *wanted to know what the problem was with the last leak the village had. Mark was not at this meeting to give an update on the leak. He also wanted to know if we always need to call in someone to do some of the work or can our guys do it. And he stated do we need to start hiring in a laborer?*

Linda Ash- *nice to see some of the road hazards getting filled in.*

Tim Allen- *nothing at this time.*

Dennis Ridgeway- *Mentioned that he would like to know if the office could get new chairs He also stated that he notice that there was a lot of standing water by Scout Hall. Mayor stated that maybe the intake needs looked at he would let Mark and Jeff know.*

MAYOR REPORT

wanted to let the Board know that our Engineer is working on a consolidated drainage map for the Village once the watermain project is done. This will be current and on one map.

No further business came before the Board and a Motion to adjourn was made by Trustee Ridgeway, second by Trustee Powers, at 7:15pm all yeas.

_Tina McCarty

Village Clerk 2/19/18