

Minutes for the Village of Cerro Gordo  
Oct. 22, 2014

The monthly meeting of the Mayor and the Board of Trustees met at 6:00 pm at 231 East South Street in Cerro Gordo. The following members were present: Mayor Brad Williams, Trustees Tim, Allen, Terry Marvin, Dick Seitz, Mike Gross, and Mike Martin. Trustee Jeff Powers was absent. Also present were Atty. Susan Nicholas, P.C. Pat Carter, ADPW Jeff Rawlings, Treasurer Stacy Henderson, and Clerk Linda Ash.

The meeting was called to order and the Pledge recited.

#### Public Forum

B. Robinson addressed the Board about the 1 cent tax for schools that will be on the Nov. 4 ballot. Any money collected on this will be used for school maintenance only. Cannot be used for teacher salaries, text books, sports equipment, etc. Currently the Cerro Gordo school district receives around \$100,000 per year from Macon County. Amounts are based on school enrollment. This tax will not be collected on any titled equipment, groceries, uncooked foods, or prescriptions.

M. Cederburg has a sign request for the Civic Center. She would like the Board to consider a sign at the intersection of State Hwy 105/32 and a sign for the Village Hall with the website on it. The state would take care of the Civic Center sign.

#### Consent Agenda

New hand held's are in service. The updated program comes complete with a few bugs but the software programmer is getting them fixed as fast as we find them. Motion by Trustee Gross to approve the consent agenda. Second Seitz. Roll call: Allen, Marvin, Seitz, Gross, and Martin, all yeas.

#### Water Adjustments

None for the month.

#### Unfinished Business

A. Drainage Tom Overmyer reported some surveying being done last week. Will have to remark the pins in the drive by the pond.

B. Veterans Park-no report

C. Tennis Courts-no report

#### New Business

A. Kevin Huffman with McGuire, Yuhus, Huffman, and Buckley presented the annual audit for the 2013-2014 fiscal year. The overall picture for the Village is improving.

B. Yearbook Ad Stefanie Shook and Molly Lawler asked the Village for sponsorship for the 2015 high school yearbook in the form of an ad. 100% of this money goes to the school. Last year the Village had a 1/2 page ad at a cost of \$130. It is the same this year. Motion by Trustee Gross, second Allen to approve this expenditure, all yeas.

C. Appoint new member(s) to Civic Center Board Ivan Williams is resigning as head of this committee to spend more time on the actual Veterans Memorial. Mayor Williams suggests Jody Burns be assigned to his position to fill out the remainder of the 5 year term, and Marcia

Cederburg to fill the position of Gavin McKee which is a 2 year term. Motion by Trustee Martin to approve these 2 appointments, second Marvin, all yeas.

D. Amendment to Zoning Ordinance This amendment is numbered 602-2014 and will allow CILAS, nursing homes, or similar homes to exist in the Village. Motion to approve made by Trustee Allen, second Gross, all yeas.

E. Defibrillators for the Civic Center Upon further examination it has been learned that they do not have to be installed, however the board feels like it would be a very good item to have. They can be ordered from the same place that Pat got the ones for the squad cars and that way they will work together. Motion by Trustee Martin to spend up to \$1500 to purchase equipment, second Seitz. Roll call: Allen, Marvin, Seitz, Gross, and Martin, all yeas.

F. Paint new truck. Jeff took the new truck(1998 International) to Maton Inc for an estimate to paint the undercarriage and the bed to help prevent rust, and a bid from Thornton. The Thornton bid is not as invasive as the Maton bid. It will take about a week to complete the job. The bid was for \$2700 to paint the bed and frame from Maton. Motion by Trustee Marvin to accept the Maton bid, second Seitz. Roll call: Allen, Marvin, Seitz, gross, and Martin, all yeas. The snow plow for this truck has been ordered.

The Village received a thank you card from Piatt Co. Toy and Gift for the donation. Halloween hours will be Oct. 31 from 5-7 pm.

The board also received a letter of resignation from Jerry Shively. Jerry served on the Zoning Board. The Board thanks him for his service.

#### Trustees report

Trustee Martin asking when residue from Monroe Street will be swept up. Also as a member of the Streets and Alleys Committee he would like to be involved in the replacement of sidewalks. He also asked about 2 ordinance violations.

Trustee Gross asked if all who rent the CC are paying as they are supposed to. So far payments have been on time. Anyone who does not pay in advance will not have access to the building.

Trustee Marvin asked who was doing all the tree trimming in town and if the Village had to pay for that. The answer is Ameren and no.

Trustee Allen. Would like more heads up on the equipment. He may be able to find a better person for the work or a better competitive price.

No further business came before the board and a motion to adjourn was made at 7:05 by Trustee Gross, second Marvin, all yeas.

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Village Clerk 10/22/14