

Minutes for the Village of Cerro Gordo  
Dec. 15, 2014

The monthly meeting of the Mayor and Board of Trustees met at 6:00 pm on Monday, Dec. 15, 2014 at 231 East South Street. The following members were present: Mayor Brad Williams, Trustees Tim Allen, Terry Marvin, Jeff Powers, Dick Seitz, and Mike Gross. Trustee Martin was absent. Also present were PC Pat Carter, ADPW Jeff Rawlings, Treasurer Stacy Henderson, Clerk Linda Ash, and Atty. Susan Nicholas.

The meeting was called to order and the Pledge recited.

### **Public Forum**

J. Frydenger was present and handed out a sheet with information about his progress on his building. He is looking for ways to procure funds from the TIF. He presented a schedule and a repair list-trying to keep building in the original design. The Village has a policy for new buildings, a proposal for new houses, but nothing in effect for renovations. Will present this to Julian Jacquinn, the TIF administrator, and go from there.

### **Consent Agenda**

Addition to claims from Ameren, Galls, Homefield Energy. There was one typo in the minutes. Motion to approve consent agenda with additions and corrections made by Trustee Gross, second Powers, all yeas.

### **Unfinished Business**

A. Southside Drainage. Doing some exploratory digging of water mains-Forest Preserve Park may create some concerns. Plans are at the point to wrap up and get estimates and easements at Larrick's, Forest Preserve Park, Shackelford's, Songer's, and Allen Williams. There are some areas where the road could be compromised by construction. Some of these easements will need to be permanent easements.

B. Veterans Park-no report

C. Zoning Board Member-no report

### **New Business**

A. Tax Levy #604-2014 Reflects a 5% increase. Another must that needs to be done every year. Motion to approve made by Trustee Seitz, second Gross, all yeas.

D. Re-appoint CC member. The Board approved Doug Larrick as the last CC member but his term expired December 1, 2014. He will be reappointed for a 5 year term. Motion to approve appointment made by Trustee Allen, second Marvin, all yeas.

E. Payment to Illiana. Even though this work had been approved, final payment has been received from Illianna for the road work done throughout the Village this fall. The total amount for this work is \$61,421.80. Motion by Trustee Gross to make final payment, second Seitz, all yeas.

F. ILEAS Agreement-table

Motion to move to closed session, personnel 120/2 (c) (1) and purchase or lease of property for the use of the public body, 120/2 (c) (5) at 6:25 made by Trustee Seitz, second Gross, all yeas.

Regular session resumes at 6:42 on a motion by Trustee Marvin, second Allen, all yeas. Christmas bonuses have been approved for full time and one part time employees. Trustee Allen made a motion to approve \$100 bonuses for employees Mark Blickensderfer, Jeff Rawlings, Pat Carter, Linda Ash, Stacy Henderson and Jim Mudd, second Marvin. Roll call: Trustees Allen, Marvin, Powers, Seitz, and Gross, all yeas.

The Village was turned down for the last grant application of \$450,000. There are some 40 year low interest loans available and the Village would need a 5% hike to make the payments for these. The water tower, with proper maintenance, should last at least 100 years, so the Village would not be looking at that replacement.

No further business came before the Board and a motion to adjourn at 6:45 pm was made by Trustee Marvin, second Allen, all yeas.

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Village Clerk 12/15/14