

Minutes for the Village of Cerro Gordo  
Dec. 16, 2013

The monthly meeting of the Mayor and Board of Trustees met at 6:00 pm on Dec. 16, 2013 in the Village Hall with the following personnel present: Mayor Brad Williams, Trustees Terry Marvin, Tim Allen, Jeff Powers, Dick Seitz, Mike Gross, and Mike Martin, Treasurer Stacy Henderson, Clerk Linda Ash, Atty. Susan Nicholas, P.C. Pat Carter, and A.D.P.W. Jeff Rawlings.

The meeting was called to order and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited. No public forum sign ups. The Consent Agenda was presented. A motion was made by Trustee Gross, second Seitz to approve, all yeas.

Water Adjustments for the month. Stacy had four (4) requests this month. All have signed requests, only one was an outside leak. Motion to approve adjustments made by Trustee Martin, second Powers, all yeas.

Unfinished Business

- A. TNT table for now
- B. House located at 308 N. Madison no results
- C. Property purchase agreement between Ambulance service and Village. The title has been ordered, contract amended, waiting for a closing date.
- D. Civic Center Security System Table for now
- E. Business District program - The Village will do one grant at a time. If a business receives the maximum amount allowable, then they would not be eligible for another five (5) years. Motion to approve the program and application process made by Trustee Allen, second Marvin, all yeas.
- F. Stocking pond - Still no prices
- G. Payment to Ironhorse - Deadline for this project was the 30th, and in liquidated damages they would owe us approximately \$2000 as they were four days past the deadline. A standard 10% is withheld from final payment. They did a fine job no issues with with their work. Motion to approve payment of \$49,822.25 made by Trustee Gross, second Allen, Roll call: Allen, Marvin, Powers, Seitz, Gross, and Martin, all yeas.
- H. Bond Abatement Ordinance #595-2013. This is the bond to abate the tax for the general obligation bonds. Must be done every year. Motion to approve Ordinance 596-2013 made by Trustee Gross, second Seitz, all yeas.
- I. Civic Center Committee - An ordinance to create a committee for the Civic Center was presented, #597-2013. Motion to approve made by Trustee Gross, second Martin, all yeas. Committee recommendations for the center are Ivan Williams-5 year term, Lori Heatherton, 4 year term, Katie Helm, 3 year term, Gavin McKee, 2 year term, and Jody Burns, 1 year term. Motion to approve all made by Trustee Marvin, second Powers, all yeas.
- J. CC Operation - Susan sent a draft to Brad along with some guidelines as to what can and cannot be done, reservations, cost of rental. There cannot be a cover charge to enter the building.
- K. Fund Balance Policy - Table for now until we have a chance to talk to the auditor

New Business

- A. Water /Sewer Tap Fees table for now
- B. Tax Levy Ordinance #596-2013. What we levy is not necessarily what we get but if not done, we receive no money. Has to be done every year. Motion to approve Tax Levy Ordinance #596-2013 made by Trustee Gross, second Seitz, all yeas.

Motion by Trustee Allen, second Marvin to move to closed session to discuss litigation,120-2 C-11, personnel, 120-2 C-1, and review of closed session minutes, 120-2 C-21 at 6:40 pm, all yeas.

Regular session resumes at 7:00 pm on a motion by Trustee Gross, second Allen, all yeas. Christmas bonuses have traditionally be given to full time and part time current employees. Motion to approve bonus of \$100 for full time and \$50 for part time employees made by Trustee Allen, second Gross, all yeas. Motion by Trustee Powers, second Seitz, to retain all closed session minutes from July 15, 2013 to November 18, 2013 under advice of attorney, all yeas.

Trustee Report

Powers-heard some complaints about snow removal-one plow was down and so it was time consuming trying to plow entire Village with one plow.

Allen-plow sidewalk to Dollar General.

Mark has copies of the environmental report from the IEPA if anyone would like to read it. It's all good. No further business came before the Board and a motion to adjourn was made by Trustee Gross, second Martin all yeas at 7:06 pm.

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Village Clerk 12/16/13