

## Minutes for the Village of Cerro Gordo

**April 18, 2011**

The monthly meeting of the temp. Mayor and the Board of Trustees met on April 18, 2011 at 231 East South Street at 7:00 pm. The following members were present: Temp. Mayor Brad Williams, Trustees Dennis Ridgeway, Mick Tirpak, Dick Seitz, Mike Gross, and Shamarie Allen. Also present were Clerk Linda Ash, Atty. Susan Nicholas, P.C. Pat Carter, Treasurer Cris Perry, and D.P.W. Mark Blickensderfer.

The meeting was called to order and a public forum was held. Discussion involved references to the TIF district, drainage, whistles, and issues over signs on the boulevard.

The consent agenda was presented and approved on a motion by Trustee Ridgeway, second Tirpak. Roll call: Trustees Ridgeway, Tirpak, Seitz, Gross, Allen, and Williams, all yeas.

Treasurer Perry has one water adjustment for the month. Trustee Tirpak made a motion to approve a 3 month adjustment for the resident, Allen second. Roll call: Trustees Ridgeway, Tirpak, Seitz, Gross, Allen, and Williams, all yeas.

### Old Business

- A. TIF-nothing to report
- B. 115 S. Adams. Property has been sold for taxes. To proceed, the individual will be added to the chain of owners. Mayor Brad Williams has purchased this and from now on cannot participate in any actions concerning this property. Trustee Gross volunteers to be the go-to person on this project.
- C. Madison Street property-Pay Entler and cross off the list. Motion by Trustee Seitz, second Gross to make this payment. Roll call: Trustees Ridgeway, Tirpak, Seitz, Gross, Allen, and Williams, all yeas.
- D. Durfee Street-there has been no progress recently.
- E. Codification of Ordinances-Sterling has sent a proposed outline, one change was made.
- F. Demo fees-material has been given to Trustee Ridgeway
- G. Drainage the drainage district still wants to go with 24 " tiles and this information has been sent to the drainage districts consultant. Foth feels that the 36" tile would save the Village a lot of money. The engineers have the IDOT permit to run drainage under the highway. There is a 180 day time limit to get this done. The SE Utility project is ready to start with the sanitary sewer. This will take 2 weeks depending on weather. The storm sewer component is the last step. No price on boring under the road as yet. The CDAP Grant will be presented at the May 2 special meeting. The MFT budget is ready.
- H. Old Ameren building The attorney has sent them a letter to advise them to take care of the building. No word from them. She will send another letter.

### New Business

- A. Julian Jacquin from EDR was present with some planning updates. Zoning maps-they can create these and print them in any scale. They can also design a comprehensive plan for the TIF and business district.
- B. First pay for Entler has been received.
- C. CDAP Grant public hearing is May 2, 2011 at 6:30 pm at the Village Hall
- D. Purchase a new mower-Mark is looking at purchasing a zero turn mower. It is in the budget and will be included in next years budget also.
- E. Signs on boulevards. Homeowners take care of the upkeep on the boulevards. Signs can be put on boulevards and rather to impose an ordinance, the board will leave things as they are.
- F. Allen Williams land contract. There was some minor counter language and the contract should be ready soon.

- G. Veolia wanted to add a fuel surcharge to the contract, Mayor Williams told them no.
- H. Tree removal. There are several sweet gum trees on the boulevards that people would like to remove. These are decent trees and do not warrant removal. There are some plugs that can be used to sterilize these trees. Mark will check into that. Jody Schenkel has used these on his trees and has had good luck with them.
- I. Piatt County fair liquor license Rick Anklam has presented applications for the fair. There are two separate special use licenses.
- J. Community Center No progress to report
- K. MFT The MFT budget has been presented and a motion to approve with attorney approval was made by Trustee Gross, second Allen, all yeas.

Fat Hill fest is June 17 and 18. Members of the committee have requested to use the empty lot at Wait and Madison Street.

#### Trustee Report

Tirpak Plans are being kicked around about the Lincoln Street drainage. Open the whistle at 310 east Durfee Street.

Motion by Trustee Ridgeway, second Allen to move to liquor commission. Motion by Trustee Ridgeway to approve the liquor license for the Piatt County Fair for June 21-23 subject to fee being paid, second Tirpak, all yeas. Motion by Trustee Gross to approve liquor license for the Piatt County Fair for June 24-26, second Seitz, all yeas. Motion to return to regular session made by Trustee Ridgeway, second Gross, all yeas.

A motion was made at 8:37 for the board to move to closed session by Trustee Williams, second Seitz, all yeas. A motion to resume regular session was made at 9:45 pm by Trustee Seitz, second Gross, all yeas. The board will pursue the zoning map update. This should be done every ten years and when zoning changes are made.

No further business to discuss and the board adjourned at 9:30 on a motion by Trustee Seitz, second Gross, all yeas.

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Village Clerk 4/18/11