

## Minutes for the Village of Cerro Gordo

May 16, 2011

The monthly meeting of the Mayor and the Board of Trustees met at 7:00 pm on May 16, 2011 at 231 East South St. in Cerro Gordo, IL. Those present were: Mayor Brad Williams, Trustees Tim Allen, Dennis Ridgeway, Mick Tirpak, Dick Seitz, Mike Gross, and Mike Martin. Also present were Atty. Susan Nicholas, D.P.W. Mark Blickensderfer, Treasurer Cris Perry, and Clerk Linda Ash. P.C. Pat Carter joined the meeting later as he was involved on a case.

The meeting was called to order and a public forum was held. A resident brought up the omnipresent police force and questioned the wisdom of having both squad cars parked up town.

### Consent Agenda

Add Ameren IP bill to claims. No further discussion on the consent agenda and a motion to approve the agenda with payment to Entler held until certain work is done, made by Trustee Gross, second Seitz, roll call: Allen, Ridgeway, Tirpak, Seitz, Gross, and Martin, all yeas.

### Water Adjustments

No adjustments this month.

### Old Business

- A. TIF- no report
- B. 115 S. Adams St. The attorney will send a letter to the owners for consent to enter. Mike Gross and another will enter and attempt to get an estimate of repair.
- C. 202 W Durfee St moving slowly but work is being done.
- D. Codification of Ordinances Waiting on a compiled list of ordinances
- E. Demo fees Nothing to report, waiting on codification
- F. Drainage Mayor Williams has talked to drainage district members and they will have something for us by the next meeting, June 20, 2011
- G. Old Ameren building letter sent to Ameren. They reportedly have been in the process of securing bids for the demolition
- H. Allen Williams Land Contract Almost done, change legal descriptions and should be ready for June 20 meeting
- I. Veolia contract No progress

### New Business

- A. New mower Mark received 2 bids, one from Hogan Grain and one from Jennings Implement. They are about \$900 apart but the Hogan bid does not include any additional charges such as shipping, set-up, delivery, etc. The mower from Jennings is a zero turn, 60 inch deck and sells for \$11,900. Jennings is local and will give us good service. Motion by Trustee Ridgeway for approval to purchase the mower of his choice, at Mark's discretion, up to \$12,000, second Allen. Roll call vote: Trustees Allen, Ridgeway, Tirpak, Gross, and Martin, all yeas, Seitz, abstain.
- B. Release of closed session minutes-to be discussed at closed session 120/2 C-21.
- C. New hire Mark has recommended Nathan Llawyer. He is ready to go, home from college. Must be 18 or older to operate equipment.
- D. Old computers The Village has a half dozen or so old computers to be disposed of. The mayor would like to donate them to the boy scouts for badge work. Motion by Trustee Seitz, second Allen to donate computers to the boy scouts, all yeas.

E. Liquor licenses

Motion by Trustee Ridgeway, second Allen to convene to Liquor Commission.

The American Legion yearly liquor license is up for renewal. All paperwork filled out. Motion by Trustee Gross to approve Legion license subject to signature and receipt of \$200 fee, second Seitz, all yeas.

The Piatt Co. fair is seeking a special use permit for their Rust and Rods show in July. Application and fee have been received. Motion to approve Fair license made by Trustee Gross, second Seitz, all yeas.

The SAL special use permit for the Fat Hill Fest was also presented. All paperwork completed and fee paid. Motion to approve special use permit for SAL made by Trustee Ridgeway, second Allen, all yeas.

Motion by Trustee Seitz, second Gross to return to regular session, all yeas.

EDR zoning maps The cost to upgrade the zoning maps will be \$1750. This is to be done every ten years or anytime there is a change in zoning. Motion by Trustee Ridgeway, second Gross to have EDR up date the zoning map, all yeas. They had 3 projects to bid on. One was a comprehensive plan that would cost between \$70,000-\$80,000 which is too much for the Village to take on. The other plan had to deal with a business district. The initial activity for that would start at \$25,000, the whole project \$30,000-\$35,000. It is more flexible.

A motion was entered by Trustee Ridgeway, second Allen for the purpose of moving to closed session to discuss personnel, 120-2 C-1, and the release of closed session minutes, 120/2 C-21 at 7:39 pm, all yeas. A motion was made by Trustee Ridgeway, second Allen to return to regular session at 8:27pm.

A motion was made by Trustee Gross to retain the following closed session minutes-Apr. 19,2010, May 4, 2010, Aug.16, 2010, Sept. 20, 2010, Oct. 18, 2010, Nov.15, 2010, Dec. 20, 2010, Feb. 21, 2011, Ap. 18, 2011, and may 2, 2011, and release minutes from June 21, 2010, second by Trustee Martin, all yeas.

A question was asked of Pat why tires for the squad car were not a local purchase. These were purchased at the state bid price which is considerably lower than other prices. Oil changes can be done in town.

GPS system for Village vehicles - A motion was made by Trustee Seitz to have a 30 day trial on a GPS system on either all 4 vehicles or one, whichever is allowed, Trustee Gross second, all yeas.

Some discussion ensued about both squad cars being left uptown. Jim Mudd voluntarily brought the other car uptown. Officer Tuttle is certified by the state and will have to do 6 weeks of field service training.

Trustees Report

Trustee Martin asked if there was an ordinance for fish ponds. Currently, there is not. Trustee Ridgeway thanked Pat for his ordinance work and stated he is still working on grants for sidewalk safety.

No other reports and a motion to adjourn was made by Trustee Seitz at 8:40 pm, second Trustee Gross, all yeas.

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Village Clerk 5/16/11