

Minutes for the Village of Cerro Gordo

August 15, 2011

The monthly meeting of the President and the Board of Trustees met on Aug. 15, 2011, at 7:00 pm in the Village Hall located at 231 E. South Street. Those present were Mayor Brad Williams, Trustees Tim Allen, Mick Tirpak, Dick Seitz, Mike Gross, and Mike Martin. Trustee Ridgeway was absent. Also present were Atty. Susan Nicholas, P.C. Pat Carter, D.P.W. Mark Blickensderfer, Treasurer Cris Perry, and Clerk Linda Ash.

The meeting was called to order.

Consent Agenda

Additions to claims include bills from Ameren, Frontier, RSNLT, and Phil Flaughter Electric. Ameren and Frontier will be paid when they are received. Motion to approve the consent agenda was made by Trustee Tirpak, second Gross, roll call: Allen, Tirpak, Seitz, Gross, and Martin, all yeas.

Water Adjustments

Cris has one adjustment for J. Malone. The leak has been fixed. Motion to approve made by Trustee Gross, second Seitz, all yeas.

Unfinished Business

- A. TIF Paperwork from Dennis Ridgeway will be submitted to EDR for payment from the TIF district.
- B. 115 Adams St. Susan has a correct mailing address for the owner of this property. She would like authority from the Board to secure 2 title searches and all necessary publications for approximately \$200 total. The board gave its ok to proceed. Should have the complaint on file by next month. The owner may default by not answering the complaint. She (the owner) has 30 days from day of service of complaint. The board could possibly recover some costs through a lien on the property.
- C. Codification On track for mid October
- D. Demo/building permits On hold until codification is done
- E. Drainage No update on the drainage district. They have changed attorneys again. SE Project-the engineer is finalizing specifications and plans working on easements. Entler's is almost completed with the SE Project and should have the final pay estimate in by next month.
- F. Old Ameren Building Fire department used the building for training concerning environmental issues. Ameren is getting bids for cleanup as there is a tank underground.
- G. Allen Williams Land Contract A draft has been submitted, three issues holding it up. The plat was drawn backwards, and 2 paragraphs had been modified-language favorable to the Village. Susan had no response from Allen's attorney. Allen plans to start digging the pond this week.
- H. Credit Card Resolution This is a standard policy. Motion to approve made by Trustee Gross, second Martin, all yeas.

New Business

- A. Contribution to Senior Citizen Transportation Program A request from Katie Helm was presented at the July meeting. Motion by Trustee Tirpak to donate \$500 to the program, second Allen. Roll call: Trustees Allen, Tirpak, Seitz, Gross and Martin, all yeas
- B. Donation to CGYL Deanne Flaughter asked for a donation for the Youth League. The Youth League oversees the upkeep of Gordy Park. \$5,000 has been budgeted for this. Motion to make a \$5,000 donation to the Youth League was made by Trustee Martin, second Gross. Roll call: Trustees Allen, Tirpak, Seitz, Gross, and Martin all yeas.

- C. Zoning Map Ordinance table until next month
- D. Speed limit on Jackson Street IDOT will not set the speed limit any higher than 40% of the speed that people are currently traveling. IDOT has just conducted a speed survey and can conduct another one in 90 days. To help cause the speed to slow down, the police can patrol the roadway and issue warnings for the next 90 days. Also would like to get the current speed limit sign set back another 250 ft-back to Dollar General.
- E. Identity Protection Policy Under state law the board must have this in place. Motion by Trustee Gross, second Seitz to approve and add to policy book, all yeas.
- F. Gas Franchise Ordinance Our agreement with Ameren expires in a few months and will have to be renewed. Currently the Village receives free gas but pays for gas service to the police department. Since it is the same building, possibility of combining the service from 2 lines to one.
- G. Telephone Franchise Ordinance This is set up as an automatic renewal. Currently according to the contract the Village is to receive 5 free phone lines. A resolution will be needed to show where we want them.
- H. Sidewalk to Dollar General Trustee Tirpak would like to see a sketch of where the sidewalk would be. There are power poles, guide wires, and drop offs by the school that will have to be taken into consideration. Would like to see a wider sidewalk in this area.
- I. Gas service for public safety-leave for now-see item F.
- J. Pay request from Entler Holding back approximately \$45,000.00 from final pay. Not all hydrants have been tested. Motion to approve payment subject to attorney approval made by Trustee Seitz, second Gross. Roll call: Trustees Allen, Tirpak, Seitz, Gross, and Martin, all yeas.

Mayor Williams received a call for a free offer of trees. These are 6 year old, 20-24 foot tall red maples. These will be given to the Village, may need to pay for moving them. Place on agenda for next month.

Trustees Report

Martin – Lincoln Street has been marked, measured for materials. Time is needed for the project. Initially this was bid out but Board decided that Village personnel should do the work.

Tirpak – He will get stocking information for the pond. Would like to see benches at pond-maybe on a donation basis.

Allen – There have been some reports of questionable activity at Born Park. There are some reports of minor vandalism also.

Pergola benches have been installed. There is still one bench to come in yet.

Motion made by Trustee Allen, second Tirpak to move to closed session at 7:55 pm for the discussion of personnel 120/2 C-1, all yeas.

Motion at 9:05 by Trustee Allen, second Tirpak to return to regular session and adjourn, all yeas.

Village Clerk 8/15/11