

Minutes for the Village of Cerro Gordo

Jan. 19, 2009

The monthly meeting of the President and the Board of Trustees met at 7:00 PM on Monday, Jan.19, 2009. Those present were President Jim Morgan, Trustees Brad Williams, Lyle Shoraga, Ron Price, and Mike Songer. Trustees Lovekamp and Huff were absent. Also present were Atty. Colette McCarty, D.P.W. Rob Bratton, P.C. Pat Carter, Treasurer Cris Perry, and Clerk Linda Ash.

The meeting was called to order by President Jim Morgan.

PUBLIC FORUM

C. Eads was present and had comments about the special meeting in December at which time special use permits were discussed in regards to the fair grounds. Mr. Eads suggests the Board look into the special use and set limitations for special use.

Minutes were read and approved on a motion by Trustee Williams, second Songer, all yeas.

CLAIMS REPORT

Claims to be added to tonight's list include Foth-\$750, L. Hector-\$120, J.U.L.I.E-\$329.50. The bill from Ameren IP has not been received yet and Clerk Ash would like permission to pay it when it is received. Motion to approve claims report and additions made by Trustee Shoraga, second Songer. Roll call: Trustees Williams, yea, Shoraga, yea, Price, yea, and Songer, yea.

DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS REPORT

Rob received two bids for new double steel doors that will replace damaged door at the south concession stand. One bid was for \$1540 from B&B Glass and the other for \$1888 from Weedman Doors. B&B will not charge for labor to install the doors. Motion to accept the low bid from B&B made by Trustee Shoraga, second Williams. Roll call: Trustees Williams, yea, Shoraga, yea, Price, yea, and Songer, yea.

Rob also received two more loads of salt for the Township. As soon as we receive the bill for this we will bill the Township for re-imbusement. The Village has used its first two loads of salt already.

CHIEF OF POLICE REPORT

Calls are down for the month. Traffic enforcement at stop signs is in progress now. Officers are issuing warnings now, tickets are next. Six criminal arrests were made over the month.

Cisco report-profit for the month is \$378.58. The Village of Cisco would like our officers to start ordinance enforcement for them. Basically this would entail taking pictures and turning them over to their attorney. They are working on a contract for that.

OLD BUSINESS

Edwards Plant-Colette checked with the County as to why it was not on the tax sale and it rolls back to the property going through a bankruptcy but there was no discharge of the bankruptcy. She has contacted the bankruptcy court. Chicago office is looking for the notice of discharge. With the new states attorney there may be a different stand on the issue. As the attorney for Piatt County she may be able to persuade the Board to put the property on the tax rolls.

TIF-All paperwork received by Mr. Norber and he is currently working on the Ridgeway agreement.

Fairgrounds zoning-It is not the job of the Village to micromanage the fairgrounds. If things are done to carry out the special uses at the fair grounds, the Village has to allow them to be carried out. If the fair board feels the need to police the property by having someone living there, the Village cannot decide what a special use is. A special use permit lets the fair board do what they need to do. Ciney will set up a zoning board meeting for further discussion.

CDAP-grant and survey. The surveys need to be mailed out soon.

Library-Their engineers will change their plans towards the Village engineers plans but would like some money to start the project. The Village has none at this time to help.

NEW BUSINESS

Still working on a camera for the police vestibule.

The water committee would like to meet with the individuals that are requesting water service outside of town. The Village needs to see what they want and what their plans are for it. Cost will also be discussed. Trustee Songer will set up these meetings. They may be negotiable about paying the cost themselves.

Post Prom contribution- In the past the Board has donated \$1000. Motion by Trustee Shoraga to make a donation of \$500, second Songer. Roll call: Trustees Williams, yea, Shoraga, yea, Price, yea, and Songer, yea.

Ron Hunt, Mayor of Villa Grove was not able to come due to illness.

TRUSTEES REPORT

Trustees Brad and Lyle received an email in regards to IMRF increase to take place in 2010. There are meeting coming up in Jan. addressing this issue.

No further business to come before the Board and a motion was entered at 7:50 PM to adjourn. Motion carried.

Village Clerk 1/19/09