

## **Minutes for the Village of Cerro Gordo**

**March 19, 2007**

The monthly meeting of the President and the Board of Trustees met at 7:00 P.M. on March 19, 2007 in the Municipal Building at 231 E. South Street. Those in attendance were: President Jim Morgan, Trustees Brad Williams, Lyle Shoraga, Rod Forbes, Jerry Morris, Don Ritchie, and Mike Songer. 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 and minutes were read. There were no corrections or additions and minutes were approved.

### **CLAIMS REPORT**

The following additions were added to the claims report:

Ameren Ip- \$4330.59

Linda Hector-\$140.00

RSNLT-\$225.00

Motion to approve the claims report was made by Trustee Williams, second Morris, all yeas.

### **TREASURER'S REPORT**

The amount in the Project Fund should be zero. That money was transferred to the 2000 alternate Bond and Interest Fund. Cris will need to have Ed in to zero out.

There was only one shut off left from the list from last month. That resident's water is off and the \$25.00 fee has been added. There are several for this month's shut off list.

Motion to approve treasurer's report made by Trustee Morris, second Ritchie, all yeas.

### **DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS**

Rob found a bed for the salt truck as a result of attending a conference in Effingham. The bed is in Dietrich and includes the bed, hoist, floor, cap shield and will be installed with a salt spreader and painted for \$2900.

The EPA is using a new formula for water testing and as a result our bill for the year will be \$652.36 as compared to over \$1000.

Rob is getting geared up for spring.

### **CHIEF OF POLICE REPORT**

After receiving several complaints about early morning speeding, Chief Carter has assigned an officer to patrol again. There seems to be some conflict of who is responsible for the clean-up on Hunt Street. Hopefully, this will be resolved soon.

Chief Carter and officers will begin ordinance work within the next couple of weeks.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

Mike Gross was present at this meeting and inquired about zoning issues for the Legion. There is some discussion between the Legion and an individual about swapping some ground. At issue are questions about water and sewer

lines and hook-ups. This parcel of land has not been annexed to the Village yet and once it is annexed there would be no problem with the liquor license. This land is part of the TIF district.

There has been a lot of discussion about the ambulance service and whether or not the service would still be available. It has been reported that there are enough volunteers to keep the service going.

#### OLD BUSINESS

Nothing to report on issues still on the agenda. The ESDA siren is being painted and tested. No work progressing by Flaughner on the pole or wiring.

#### TRUSTEES REPORT

Trustee Shoraga-has received several compliments in regards to the Newsletter that the Village is sending out. There are to be no ads, etc., only Village business. Some items to possibly be included in future issues are bicycle rules of the road, ordinance violations.

Trustee Morris-would rather see bikes on the sidewalk than on the streets. The ordinance for bikes on the sidewalks is just for the downtown business area. Would like to see the mess at Lonnie Grider's properties cleaned up.

Trustee Ritchie-inquired about response from Onyx about Young Disposal. Atty. McCarty states she has not heard from Veolia yet. Also states that the street entrance to the fairgrounds gets bottled up at fair time. Streets and alley committee will look into this.

Trustee Williams-The electric bill for Gordy Park concession stand was over \$800 this past month. Despite repeated request to lower the thermostat when no one is there, it continues to be high. An automated control will be installed and if the bills continue as they are, that amount may be taken out of the budget for Gordy Park.

Regular session ends at 8:10 P.M. on a motion by Trustee Morris, second Ritchie so the Board can move into closed session. All yeas.

Regular session returns at 8:17 P.M. There was no further business to be discussed and the meeting was adjourned on a motion by Trustee Shoraga, second Ritchie.

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Village Clerk 3/19/07