

Minutes for the Village of Cerro Gordo

JULY 16, 2007

The regular monthly meeting of the President and the Board of Trustee met at 7:00 P.M. on July 16, 2007 at 231 East South Street in Cerro Gordo, IL. Among those present were: President Jim Morgan, Trustees Brad Williams, Lyle Shoraga, Carol Huff, Ron Price, and Mike Songer. Trustee Rod Forbes was absent. Also present were Assist. D.P.W. Mark Blickensderfer, P.C. Pat Carter, Treasurer Cris Perry, and Clerk Linda Ash.

Atty. Colette McCarty was unable to attend.

The meeting was called to order by President Morgan. The public forum was conducted with one resident expressing a concern. There were some issues with the handicap parking area by the restaurant. The streets committee and the P.W. department will look into this matter.

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

CLAIMS REPORT

Bill that arrived Monday but needed to be on the claims report was presented. They were bills from Ameren IP, Bodine Services, Verizon Wireless, and bill for MFT that was placed in the wrong department. Motion to approve all claims was made by Trustee Williams, second Songer, all yeas.

TREASURER'S REPORT

No county funds have been acquired as to date and that is why no income revenue is showing on some funds in the treasurer's report.

There were three requests for water adjustments this month. Two have been signed, one has not. Motion to approve signed adjustment made by Trustee Shoraga, second Songer, all yeas. In regards to the shut-off list, the resident on Westside Drive has not responded to the terms set down for them. They will receive one more notice and if not paid, their service will be shut off.

DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS REPORT

Rob was unavailable tonight, so Mark, as Assistant Director of Public Works, gave the report. Street oiling will begin this week, possibly as early as Monday. There are only 4 or 5 streets that will be oiled and chipped.

The fencing will be up at the parks by the end of the month.

A culvert was replaced on Oakley road and also did some work on the ditch.

There were several properties that were sent weed ordinance notices. The Village is in the process of replacing several signs-stop signs, speed limit signs, etc. These are all regulatory signs and the Village received grants to replace them. The Village will have to purchase the post for the signs and keep records on all the signs.

There was a problem with the computer at the water plant. Someone is coming in Tuesday, July 17 to check it out.

The streets department needs to do some patching-they are aware of several areas. A new door is needed for scout hall. Rob will get some estimates for putting in the new door.

CHIEF OF POLICE

There were no problems with the fair but a couple of complaints were made about noise. The Village needs to draft a noise ordinance and allow a special use permit for the fair or fathill for exemption from the ordinance concerning noise.

Still waiting for the citations for Village ordinance work. Pat asked if the park closed signs were in yet-Mark responded that they are.

Pat request a closed session for personnel.

Pat was also approached by Cisco about police services-they request 5 hrs a week, no more than 30 hours a month and will pay \$32.00 an hour. This will not take anything away from our Village as far as police protection goes. Their main purpose for the enforcement is traffic control and mainly for the part time police officers. The mayor suggest \$50 per hour.

The police department would have the authority to enforce the ordinances of Cisco but will not be doing so. Trustee Williams suggest we look at the contract and come back to it and to also try a 90 day trial period before committing to a contract. The Board suggest a 90 day, \$40 per hour trial and check with Colette first. The Board needs to make sure it is for the best interest to the Village.

OLD BUSINESS

Since the attorney is absent due to some health issues, these issues will be tabled for now.

The tasers have been ordered.

NEW BUSINESS

Appropriations Ordinance was presented for approval. Trustee Williams made a motion to approve Ord. number 513, with a second by Trustee Songer, all yeas.

Prevailing Wage Ordinance 511 was presented also. Motion to approve made by Trustee Williams, second Songer, all yeas.

Motion to move to Liquor Commission made by Trustee Shoraga, second Songer, all yeas. Motion was made to approve the Legion's liquor application. Motion to approve made by Trustee Songer, Price second, all yeas.

Motion to return to regular session made by Trustee Williams, second Songer, all yeas.

Elected officials day at the State Fair is Aug. 11 from 11-2 P.M. for anyone who wants to go.

TRUSTEES REPORT

Trustee Huff-Thanks the Village for sending her to the newly elected officials conference. It was very informative to her.

Motion to adjourn at 7:55 P.M. and move to closed session (120-C/1) made by Trustee Songer, second Huff, all yeas.

Regular session resumes at 8:04 P.M. and Trustee Shoraga moves to adjourn, second Songer.

Village Clerk 7/16/07