

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

**DECEMBER 17, 2007**

The monthly meeting of the President and the Board of Trustees met at 7:00 pm on Monday, December 17, 2007 at 231 East South Street. Those present include: President Jim Morgan, Trustees Brad Williams, Lyle Shoraga, Carol Huff, Ron Price, and Mike Songer. Also present were Atty. Colette McCarty, PC Pat Carter, DPW Rob Bratton, Treasurer Cris Perry, and Clerk Linda Ash.

The meeting was called to order and minutes were approved as read.

The claims report was presented. The only change was to remove the bill from Abbot from the Public Works department and place it in the Public Safety department. The amount of this work was \$1274.89. Motion to approve the claims report made by Trustee Williams, second Shoraga, all yeas.

### **TREASURER'S REPORT**

In the schedule of accounts, a general fund CD is due to mature on December 25. It will be re-invested for another 180 days.

There are 26 shut-off notices this month. Jan. 4 has been set for the shut-off date.

There were five adjustment requests this month. Trina Snyder had a large leak but will need a normal reading for 2 or 3 months to be able to get a true adjustment. Adjustments were also granted to Eric Johnson, Bruce Tarter, Anita Voorhies, and Doug Daily. All have signed their adjustment requests. Motion to approve adjustments made by Trustee Williams, Songer, all yeas.

### **DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS**

It has been noted by the mayor that the Village received another safety award for no accidents. Rob has the contract from Water Tower Paint and Repair for work to be completed in 2009. They will get the tower up to OSHA compliance for \$19,560. That is below the \$20,000 limit so bids will not have to taken. Motion to approve this contract made by Trustee Williams, second price. Roll call vote: Trustees Williams, yea, Shoraga, yea, Huff, yea, Price, yea, and Songer, yea.

Rob had a new bed put on the salt truck that he was able to get from the township for \$1500. Rob also announced that he would be gone on vacation from Dec. 21 to Jan 1.

There has been a problem at the Franklin Street lift station. It has been pulled six times in the last year alone and experienced no problems in 20 years previously. Hopefully the problem is gone as the household where the problem may have been coming from is no longer here. There has been a problem with the control panel and Electrical Services have been back to repair that.

Rob had a pipe repaired at the water plant and received two loads of salt just in time for the first winter storm.

### **CHIEF OF POLICE REPORT**

So far the month has been uneventful. Pat passed out monthly reports for Cerro Gordo and Cisco. Not many traffic tickets issued for the month. There is a problem at the intersection of Monroe and South Street with a lot of run signs.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

TIF Attorney Dan Schuering was present. He will e-mail the corrected petitions for annexation. The clerk will need to have three signed and notarized copies of each annexation. There are three ordinances that will need to be adopted to implement the TIF district. The first defines the area, the second is the plan, and the third is the financial. The

Board has set Thursday, Dec. 27 for a special meeting to take care of this business. The Farm Land reserve Property would like a copy of the plan. They take care of the property around Gordy Park.

#### NEW BUSINESS

There are three ordinances that need to be passed. The first is Ordinance #516 Bond Abatement. Motion to approve this ordinance made by Trustee Shoraga, second Williams, all yeas. The second, #517, is the Tax Levy. Motion to approve the tax levy made by Trustee Songer, second Williams, all yeas. The third, #518, is to raise the shut off fees from \$25 to \$50. Motion to approve made by Trustee Price, second Huff, all yeas.

Atty. McCarty has talked to Ester Viles about the rental agreement with Mediacom and she is looking for someone to talk to Colette. So resolution on this subject.

The Board voted to give the employees a Christmas Bonus this year, \$100 to full time and \$50 to part time employees. Motion was made by Trustee Shoraga, second Price, all yeas.

There was no further business to come before the Board and a motion to adjourn at 8:30 was made by Trustee Huff, second Price, all yeas.

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Village Clerk 12/17/07