

**Minutes of a Regular Meeting for the Village of Cerro Gordo
January 20, 2025**

The monthly meeting of the President and Board of Trustees met at 6:00 pm on January 20, 2025 in the Village Hall. The following members were present: President Powers, Trustee Hyde, Trustee Frydenger, Trustee Anderson, Trustee Walsh, Trustee Frazier, Trustee Keirl, ADPW Jereme Endrizzi, Treasurer Samantha Schenkel, Attorney Susan Nicholas, and Clerk Kelley Morrison.

CALL TO ORDER

Meeting was called to order at 5:59 pm.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PUBLIC FORUM

Katie Helm asking about putting porta-potties at Vet Park. President Powers had no objection to the idea. Trustee Frazier is going to reach out to Bement about their porta-potties that they have in their parks.

I. CONSENT AGENDA: Items listed under the consent agenda are routine in nature and will be acted by one motion and one vote. If separate action on any item is desired, the item will be removed from the consent agenda and will be considered separately.

A. Approve minutes from:

Regular Board Meeting December 16, 2024

B. Approve Financial reports from:

Regular Board Meeting December 16, 2024

C. Approve Claims

MOTION to approve the December meeting minutes, December financial report the claims report was made by Trustee Hyde, seconded by Trustee Keirl. Roll Call: All Yeas.

II. WATER ADJUSTMENTS

MOTION to approve Karen Blickensderfer's water adjustment was made by Trustee Frazier, seconded by Trustee Keirl. Roll Call: All Yeas.

MOTION to approve Melissa Girardi's water adjustment was made by Trustee Frazier, seconded by Trustee Anderson. Roll Call: All Yeas.

III. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. Discussion / Action on Tank Painting (water tower)/controls update

MOTION to authorize signing of the load application was made by Trustee Walsh, seconded by Trustee Keirl. Roll Call: All Yeas.

MOTION to approve the Debt Ordinance was made by Trustee Walsh, seconded by Trustee Anderson. Roll Call: All Yeas.

B. Discussion / Action on 207 E South Street demo-next steps (Masonry Work)

MOTION to approve final payment to Kross Masonry was made by Trustee Frazier, seconded by Trustee Keirl. Roll Call: 5 Yeas by Trustee Frazier, Trustee Keirl, Trustee Frydenger, Trustee Anderson, Trustee Walsh, and 1 Nay by Trustee Hyde.

Trustee Hyde asked about the next steps on the flashing that's not done.

Fehr-Graham's last step is to finish the northwest corner.

Trustee Frazier asked Fehr Graham to contact some roofing contractors to fix the roof but no the whole roof.

C. Discussion / Action on MFT

Closeout of the MFT 2024 was good and submitted to IDOT.

- D. Discussion/ Action on Carter Street drainage project develop-We are in the process of drafting an agreement for additional services for the Carter Street that the board will need to vote on
Matt Garner is clearing and approving Carter Street drainage.
- E. Discussion/ Action on South Street sidewalk improvement / paving preliminary engineering.
ADA moved to the Freeport office. Cleaning up the plans for 2026 ITEP. Wyatt is to get the working estimate.
- F. Discussion/ Action on Lead Service inventory grant and inventory project
No update but Wyatt will have information at the next meeting.
- G. Discussion / Action on 209, 211, & 213 South Street Exterior inspections
Mark Kaufman submitted the two grant applications to the village office. Gavin McKee sent a text to President Powers stating he hired a contractor.

IV. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Discussion / Action on resignation of Whitney Keirl from Park Rec Board
MOTION to approve Whitney Keirl's resignation by Trustee Hyde, seconded by Trustee Frazier.
Roll Call: All Yeas.
- B. Discussion / Action on the FY2024 Annual TIF Report
The FY2024 Annual TIF Report has been submitted. Next step is for the Joint Review Board meeting to be scheduled.
- C. Discussion / Action on IEPA Debt Ordinance for Water Loan
Discussed in Old Business Item A.
- D. Discussion / Action on Sara Runyen request to use the open field next to Village Hall for wedding venue (to include open alcohol use.)
Sara Runyen addressed the board about the use of the empty lot for her wedding and including alcohol. It was suggested that she go through the Legion for a Special Liquor License.
- E. Discussion / Action on Dennis Ridgeway TIF Overpayment in the amount of \$2,879.27.
MOTION was made by Trustee Hyde to have the TIF Lawyer prepare a letter to request the overpayment in the amount of \$2,879.27, seconded by Trustee Walsh. Roll Call: Yeas by Trustee Anderson, Trustee Walsh, Trustee Frazier, Trustee Keirl, Trustee Hyde and Abstained by Trustee Frydenger.
- F. Discussion / Action on the parking at 506 S. Jefferson St.
The Apartment Building on Frantz and Jefferson has tenants parking on the sidewalks and in the road. Letters will be sent warning of blocking roadways.

V. EXECUTIVE SESSION

5ILCS 120/2 (c) / (21): Discussion of minutes of meetings lawfully closed under this Act, whether for purposes of approval by the body of the minutes or semi-annual review of the minutes by section 2.06

5ILCS 120/2(c)/(1): Discuss employees' issues - the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance or dismissal of the public body or legal counsel for the public body.

5ILCS 120/2 (c) (11): Discussion of pending, probable Threatened or imminent litigation.

5ILCS 120/2 (c)/ (5): Discussion of the purchase or lease of real property.

VI. TRUSTEE REPORT/ PRESIDENT REPORT

Trustee Frydenger, Trustee Anderson, Trustee Walsh, Trustee Frazier, Trustee Keirl, ADPW Endrizzi had nothing to report.

Trustee Hyde lack of updates (disgruntled)

VII. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION to adjourn by Trustee Hude, seconded by Trustee Keirl. Roll Call: All Yeas.

Meeting adjourned at 7:24 pm.