

Minutes for the Village of Cerro Gordo

Nov. 16, 2009

The monthly meeting of the Mayor and the Board of Trustees met at 7:00 pm on Monday, Nov. 16, 2009 at 231 East South Street. The following members were present: Mayor Lyle Shoraga, Trustees Brad Williams, Dennis Ridgeway, Ron Price, and Shamarie Allen. Also present were Atty. Colette McCarty, P.C. Pat Carter, Treasurer Cris Perry, and Clerk Linda Ash. D.P.W. Rob Bratton was ill, as was Carol Huff and Mick Tirpak.

The meeting was called to order with the Public Forum the first order of business. Jim Morgan approached the Village with a request for a possible donation of \$2000 for the Fat Hill Fest. The band and car show are set up for next year and the SAL beer tent is also set up. The Greg Bickers band will play Friday night.

Mayor Shoraga received a letter from Trustee Huff informing him of her regrets but feels it is necessary to resign her position as trustee. With regrets, a motion was entered by Trustee Williams to accept Carol's resignation, second by Ridgeway, all yeas. Mayor Shoraga nominated Dick Seitz to fill Carol's term. A motion to nominate Dick was made by Trustee Ridgeway, second Price, all yeas. Dick will be Public Grounds chairman and also serve on the sewer committee.

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

CLAIMS REPORT

Final bill from E&M Concrete for the sidewalk work was received. Trustee Williams made a motion that Rob sign off on the work before final payment is made, second Ridgeway, all yeas.

TREASURER'S REPORT

The financial reports next month will feature a four column format instead of the current six column format. CD's are not due until Jan and Feb. of 2010. Cris will check the rates when the time comes. Motion to approve the financial report made by Trustee Ridgeway, second Williams, all yeas.

The owner of a house at 315 N. Jefferson would like a copy of any paperwork to make sure the house is hooked up to the sewer. The resident at 3089 Oakley Rd has a strong odor of chlorine in his house. Mark or Rob can perform a chlorine test. Cris is asking if she can request two kinds of ID for water service. She would like to get a copy of a drivers license if possible. This goes along the lines the collection agency will be using. Four residents have asked for adjustments to their water bills, all have been signed. Motion to approve adjustments made by Trustee Williams, price, all yeas.

The board adjourned to the liquor commission for the purpose of approving a liquor license for CG Foods. The liquor license is non-refundable and cannot be prorated as set up by the ordinance. A motion was entered by Trustee Williams, second Price to approve the application for CG Foods. Roll call: Trustees Williams, Ridgeway, Seitz, Price, and Allen, all yeas. Motion by Trustee Seitz, second Allen to return to regular session, all yeas.

POLICE REPORT

The Cisco profit for the month is \$321.13. The Chevy squad is running rough and Pat will take it to have it checked over. While it is in the shop that puts us down to one car. Cisco payment is behind. Their clerk is in ill health but the treasurer will pay the bill. The Timmerman property on Jackson Street has been cleaned up and everything has been moved.

OLD BUSINESS

Edwards plant-bankruptcy issues not determined. Still looking for the docket sheet and EPA issues may still need to be resolved.

115 S. Adams-Abatement letter sent by certified mail. Currently the house is uninhabitable, it is a varmint haven. TIF-May have to nail down some landowners to build. The Village may have to put some money upfront to give an incentive to build on lots.

Tom Overmyer, Brad and Dennis will meet with the drainage district board on Friday morning.

TRUSTEE REPORT

Brad-meet in two weeks for report from drainage meeting.

Dennis-meet with Pat about properties. Sidewalks look nice.

Shamari-Commons area cleaned up, will get an estimate from Dan Williams about the pergola. Looking at a spring completion.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Veterans assembly at school was very nice. Lyle also attended the Veterans Day parade in Monticello. His office has received several complaints about leaf burning.

A motion was made to move to closed session 120/2 C-11 for the purpose of possible litigation. This motion was made by Trustee Ridgeway, Allen at 7:59 pm, all yeas.

Regular session resumes at 8:13 pm. No further business to conduct and the meeting adjourned.

Village Clerk 11/16/09