

## Minutes for the Village of Cerro Gordo

**Dec. 19, 2011**

The monthly meeting of the Mayor and the Board of Trustees for the Village of Cerro Gordo met at 7:00 pm on Dec. 19, 2011 in the Village Hall located at 231 E. South St. Those present: Mayor Brad Williams, Trustees Tim Allen, Dennis Ridgeway, Mick Tirpak, Dick Seitz, Mike Gross, and Mike Martin. Also present are Atty. Susan Nicholas, Clerk Linda Ash, P.C. Pat Carter, and D.P.W. Mark Blickensderfer.

The meeting was called to order and a public forum was held. Fire Chief Randy West asked about the dry hydrant for the pond. He has talked to Allen Williams and Allen will get a drawing of the area with parking lot and pavilion for the pond. He wants to pursue the dry hydrant.

### CONSENT AGENDA

There are three(3) additions to the claims report, Frontier, RSNLT, and Tree Works. There is a correction in the minutes from Nov. 28, 2011 from "the village will pay for the rock" to "the village could pay for the rock". Motion by Trustee Gross to accept the consent agenda and the correction in minutes, second Seitz. Roll call: Trustees Allen, Ridgeway, Tirpak, Seitz, Gross, and Martin, all yeas.

### WATER ADJUSTMENTS

One adjustment for Kevin Beck was presented. He has signed the agreement. Motion to approve made by Trustee Ridgeway, second Seitz, all yeas.

### UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- A. TIF no report
- B. Codification Susan is still going through the list of ordinances. She is looking for insufficient fees, building fees, and several questions by the codifiers.
- C. Trustee Ridgeway passed out a list of suggested permit fees. Also fines and penalties are all over the board. Most things can cap out at \$750.00. The board wants to up the limit for the maximum and have no minimum.
- D. Drainage Bid specs are ready for the project. Would possibly start in April to lay tile. There are better results for summer work, but the Village would have to pay minimum crop damage. Plan shows 18 and 24' tiles. The board would like a wider window for a start date.

### NEW BUSINESS

- A. Personnel Mayor Williams would like to appoint Stacy Henderson the new Village treasurer at a salary of \$650.00 a month Trustee Martin made a motion to approve the appointment of Stacy Henderson to treasurer's position, second by Trustee Gross, all yeas.
- B. Snowplow Last month the board approved the purchase of a snowplow for the small truck at a cost of \$5000.00. Bid no longer is in effect and now it will cost \$6200.00. This plow is in stock and can be placed on the small truck. Cost includes installation of the plow. Motion by Trustee Martin to approve additional \$1200- maximum amount to spend to \$6200.00-for the plow, second Seitz. Roll call: Trustees Allen, Ridgeway, Tirpak, Seitz, Martin, and Gross, all yeas.
- C. Franklin St Lift Station Pump Nothing new to report
- D. Awarding Shoreline Treatment Bid Bids were open and these are the results:  
Burdick \$62,784.00, \$17,421 more with fabric  
Shambaugh \$23,230, \$25,355 with fabric  
S&S \$36,479.99, \$39,074.99 with fabric  
Mahannah \$28,500, \$34,000 with fabric

Hutchens \$56,500, \$54,000 no fabric

Mid State \$57,454, -\$5731 no fabric

The board does not have to accept the bids. The board would like to table the bids for now. There are 2 bids that are close in amounts. The board could take the low bid in good faith. The board will address this item at the next board meeting.

- E. Copier/fax machine for Police Department Pat is asking for approval of up to \$1000 for the purchase of a copier/fax machine. Trustee Ridgeway will work with Pat to find a good working combination. Motion by Trustee Seitz to approve the purchase up to \$1000, second Tirpak. Roll call: Trustees Allen, Ridgeway, Tirpak, Seitz, Gross, and Martin, all yeas.
- F. Video equipment in doorway/police department This is for the panic phone in the vestibule of the police department. It will cover the door, interview rooms. Pat is asking for approval to spend up to \$5000 to get the system in. It has been budgeted. Motion to approve this project by Trustee Allen, second Ridgeway. Roll call: Trustees Allen, Ridgeway, Tirpak, Seitz, Gross, and Martin, all yeas.
- G. DECO Grant This is an economic opportunity grant. The village did not receive the CDAP grant we applied for. This was to cover replacement of water mains. Will have to do another survey to try again.
- H. Stop E-Pay This program is through the State of Illinois and the treasurer's department. It enables people to pay their water bill online. There has not been enough usage to continue. Motion to cancel this service made by Trustee Martin, second Ridgeway, all yeas.
- I. Levy Ord. # 564-2011 This is the amount of taxes the county collects for the village every year. Cannot exceed 5% of what was extended last year. Motion to approve levy ordinance #564-2011 made by Trustee Ridgeway, second Allen, all yeas.
- J. Alternate Revenue Source GO Bond Abatement 563-2011 Has to be done every year. Motion to approve made by Trustee Gross, second Allen, all yeas.

A motion was entered by Trustee Ridgeway, second Allen to adjourn at 8:30 pm for closed session 120/c C-1 compensation and 120/2 C-11 litigation.

A motion was made at 9:20 pm by Trustee Allen, second Seitz, all yeas to resume regular session. Mayor Williams attended a meeting with Representative Chapin Rose about the ambulance service in small communities. By 2015 all ambulance personnel have to be EMT's.

A motion was made by Trustee Ridgeway to give all full time employees a \$100 Christmas bonus and part time employees a \$50 bonus if employed by the Village longer than 30 days. Second by Trustee Allen. Roll call: Allen, Ridgeway, Seitz, Gross, and Martin, all yeas, Tirpak, nay.

#### Trustees Report

Trustee Ridgeway asked Chief Carter why Officer Tuttle has not been working very many hours. Tuttle has a full time job during the week and works weekends but Pat has been instructed to work at least 2 weekends a month and so that cuts down Tuttle's hours.

Motion to adjourn at 9:30 made by Trustee Seitz, second Gross, all yeas.

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