

## Minutes for the Village of Cerro Gordo

**April 15, 2013**

The monthly meeting of the President and Board of Trustees met on April 15, 2013 in the Village Hall with the following members present: Mayor Brad Williams, Trustees Tim Allen, Dennis Ridgeway, Dick Seitz, and Mike Gross. Also present were P.C. Pat Carter, D.P.W. Mark Blickensderfer, Atty. Susan Nicholas, Treasurer Stacy Henderson, and Clerk Linda Ash. Trustee Mick Tirpak was absent.

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm.

Mayor Williams asked Jeff Lawyer to come to the meeting and give a presentation on the possibility of a fireworks display for the Village. Potentially they could be used at the Fat Hill Fest or the 4th of July. Jeff reported that a range of \$3500 to \$10,000 is possible. \$3500 gets a 20 minute show and there is something in the air all the time. The higher the price, the bigger the shells. Jeff has a couple of locations in mind for shooting off the fireworks-over the pond and at the fairgrounds. Sees the fairgrounds as the ideal place for setting. All sparks would be out when the debris comes to the ground. He will need to know as soon as possible to get the product ordered.

Mayor Williams deviated from the agenda and brought up the Fair Liquor License, item F under New Business. The fair is looking for 2 special event licenses, one for June 18, 19, and 20th, the other for June 21, 22, and 23rd. Application is complete except for proof of insurance. Motion by Trustee Ridgeway, second Seitz, to approve liquor licenses subject to proof of insurance, all yeas.

### Consent Agenda

Would like to pay 4 bills that should come this week yet. Illinois Power, RSNLT, Burdick-for AC repair, and Gunther Salt for road salt. Trustee Seitz asked why we were getting our fuel from Effingham Equity instead of someone more local. This was set up several years ago by Rob. We would have to replace tanks and Mark is very pleased with the serviceman that takes care of us. Trustee Gross made a motion to approve the consent agenda and pay the outstanding bills, second Seitz, roll call Allen, Ridgeway, Seitz, and Gross, all yeas.

There are no water adjustments for the month.

### Unfinished Business

Drainage. Tom Overmyer reported that the pipes have been tested-all passed. The tiles had to set 30 days after installation and then be tested. Has to have a 95% flow, which it does. Tested 3 sections, flushed out and everything was flowing as it should be. Need to replace rip rap at the end of the tile.

### New Business

- A. Building Permit Updates for pools and fences. This will need to be passed on to the Zoning Board and they will give the Board a recommendation. Fence is important and will need to address issues such as height and placement. Pools may be difficult as there are so many different sizes and types.
- B. Budget for 2013/2014. There are some substantial decreases in the budget this year, couple additions such as public grounds and park maintenance. The committee did put an additional \$20,000 in the budget for sidewalks(up from the usual \$20,000), \$20,000 in Public Works and \$20,000 in MFT. The Village will attempt to put a sidewalk to Dollar General. Also budgeted was a new roof for the sewer plant, just patched last year. Motion to approve the budget for fiscal year 2013/2014 was made by Trustee Ridgeway, second Gross, roll call: Allen, Ridgeway, Seitz, and Gross, all yeas.
- C. Closed Session
- D. Salaries-after closed session
- E. Sidewalk to Dollar General. Previously, the school reluctantly agreed to a sidewalk across the parking lot.

The Board is looking at running the walk to the parking lot and then from the south side of parking lot on to Dollar General. Will need to start getting estimates.

Motion was made by Trustee Gross, second Seitz, all yeas, to move to closed session 120/2 C 1, the compensation of specific employees in regards to compensation at 6:30 pm

Regular session resumes at 7:40 on a motion by Trustee Gross, second Seitz, all yeas.

A motion by Trustee Gross, second Seitz in regards to salaries, Nathan Lawler will be paid \$9.30 an hour, Officer Jim Mudd will be paid \$13.00 an hour, Jeff Rawlings \$13.78, a 2% raise for Pat Carter, 4% for Mark and Stacy, and 4% on the collectors pay, Roll Call: Allen, Ridgeway, Seitz, and Gross, all yeas

#### Trustees Report

Trustee Seitz took issue with a candidate's statement that the board did not know anything about drainage, and blueprints among other things. Seitz says the board has done a good job and it has been a good board.

Trustee Ridgeway thanked the other board members. He also stated that for the record he has received one check in regards to TIF money for \$2,300.00. He qualified before he ever became a board member. His reimbursement over the next 23 years will be in the form of property taxes. It has been good working with the board.

#### Mayors Report

Mayor Williams stated that Max Born wants to add a large garage next to his house. According to the zoning ordinance he has to have 30 foot and he doesn't have that. To allow this the zoning ordinance would have to be changed. The board is not in favor of this. He also thanked the board for their work and congratulated the board elect.

Motion to adjourn at 7:48 made by Trustee Seitz, second Gross, all yeas.

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Village Clerk 4/15/13