

Minutes of a Regular Meeting for the Village of Cerro Gordo AUGUST 21, 2017

The monthly meeting of the Mayor and Board of Trustees met at 6:00 pm on August 21, 2017 in the Village Hall. The following members were present: Mayor Brad Williams arrived at 6:55pm , Trustees Tim Allen (Pro-Tem till 6:55pm), Linda Ash, Aaron Weldy. Mike Martin, Jeff Powers, Attorney Susan Nicholas, PWD Mark Blickensderfer, PC Pat Carter, Treasurer Stacy Henderson, and Clerk Tina McCarty, Trustee Gross, was absent.

The meeting was called to order and the pledge recited.

Public Forum

Kevin Gosda was present with a concern about his water bill. He stated that his bill is showing more usage than he averages, he has checked for leaks, and the village has re-read his meter showing no leaks and the reads are back to his average. He was inquiring if the Village had a payment plan. The Village Attorney Susan spoke to how the Village does not have a payment plan, However if a resident has a leak and provides proof of leak to the Village then adjustment paperwork can be filled out by the Treasurer and presented to the Board for approval. At this time with no proof of a leak he is obligated to pay the bill for his water usage.

Consent Agenda;

- A. Approve minutes from JULY 17, 2017
- B. Approve minutes from Special meeting -none at this time
- C. Approve claims report -with additional claims
Getz-\$81.50
- D. Approve financial reports
- E. Approve police report
- F. Approve public works report

No further discussion and a MOTION to approve the consent agenda with additional claim items was made by Trustee Martin, seconded Ash, Roll Call: all Yeas. **Approved by the Omnibus Vote Designation**

Water Adjustments;

Treasurer Stacy had 3 water adjustments – Penny Farley was \$89.53 to \$50.07- James Bleavins was \$157.71 \$62.14 -Connie Hunley \$231.49 to \$77.55. No further discussion all paper work is in order and a MOTION to approve the water adjustment was made by Trustee Powers, seconded by Ash, roll call: All yeas.

Unfinished Business;

A. Water Main Project:

Tom Overmyer was present to update the Village on water main project. At this time they are waiting on all the documents to be finalized, could be another week. Tom feels with the 120 calendar day schedule, construction of the project should start this year. There may be a time due to weather that they will need to ask for a suspension till 2018, Tom does feel that the project can be done this year with the exception of seeding.

B. Discussion and possible action on awarding vacation days in lieu of salary increase for Village employee.

MOTION was made by Trustee Ash, seconded by Powers, to grant Village employee- ADPW 5 days (40 Hours) vacation days in lieu of salary increase not to be able to carry over with regular vacation days, and to be used by 8-21-2018. Roll Call: all Yeas.

C. Discussion on Job Description for New position for Police Department

tabled at this time

D. Annex Agreement/ Annex Land

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New Businesses;

A. Discussion and possible action on Purchase of an Electronic Radar Speed Sign

The board would like more information at this time on the price of the sign

B. Purchase boulder for Veterans Park -from donation for sign

The board all agrees to go ahead and order the sign for Veterans park

C. Discussion and possible action for the purchase of Real Estate

MOTION was made by Trustee Martin, seconded by Weldy, to authorize purchase of #117 The American Legion property subject to all conditions tendered by Village and subject to attorney review for \$30,000. Roll Call: all Yeas.

D. Adopt Policy for Village Checks (VOID after 180 days)

Attorney will adopt a policy for Village – stating checks VOID after 180 days.

E. (Handout) from Illinois Realtors-

information on suggestions for how to review current codes for housing. (handout)

F. Approve purchase of materials for Veterans Park

MOTION was made by trustee Martin, seconded by Ash, to approve purchase of materials for Veterans Park for up to \$5,000. Roll Call: All Yeas.

G. Discussion and possible action on purchase of picnic tables for Veterans park

Kirby would like to Donate to Veterans park the Board agrees to go ahead and purchase some picnic tables for Veterans Park, subject to Kirby's donation.

H. Discussion and possible action on purchase of trash can for Veterans Park

Board agrees to purchase trash can for Veterans Parks.

I. Discussion on all parks-ex. Tree removal, tree planting, filling holes, mats for swings.

Discussion on 4 trees in Born park that may need to be removed, village will have to get a bid for them. Looking at replacing or adding 4 or 5 trees 5'or 6' (ash or elm) . The south end sidewalk, will be looked at , can use park money for sidewalk to repair it. Village will look at getting the holes filled. Will look into ordering mats for swings.

J. Discussion on School Drainage.

The Schools Engineer has spoken briefly to the Village Engineer about the drainage of the school project. The hand out that the board members received is just a concept at this time, Tom will get with the engineer and get more information for the Board.

K Adoption of #630-2017-

MOTION was made by Trustee Ash, seconded by Martin, authorizing and providing for an issue of up to \$790,000 waterworks system revenue bonds of the village of Cerro Gordo, for the purpose of paying a part of the cost of acquiring, constructing, installing and operating waterworks facilities in such municipality, providing for the payment, sale and delivery of such bonds, and making certain covenants in providing for the operation of the waterworks system of the municipality and the collection, segregation and distribution of the revenues to be derived from the operation thereof.

V. EXECUTIVE SESSION;

MOTION was made by Trustee Martin, seconded by Power, to move into Executive session 6:50pm 120/2(c)/(1) Discuss employee compensation Roll Call: all Yeas. MOTION was made by Trustee Ash, seconded by Allen to move back into regular session at 7:40pm Roll Call: all Yeas

VI. Trustee Reports;

Mike Martin- *Mr. Tirpak had spoken to Mike about wanting something done to the yard where the drainage was worked on. He also stated that there was a hole by Legion alley way that needed to be filled. Mike also stated that a sign was missing by North ST. and Jefferson.*

Mike Gross- *absent*

Aaron Weldy- *Stated that there is a telephone pole across from the grade school that is missing the orange cone around the wire, was wanting to know what we could do do get this covered. Village will contact IP*

Jeff Powers- *Nothing to present to Board at this time.*

Linda Ash- *Nothing to present to Board at this time.*

Tim Allen- *asked what was the progress on the DG sidewalk. Attorney Susan stated that she is sending Ordinance violation letters at this time.*

MAYOR REPORT

Spoke about the Runyen's came to him and asked about the steps that are breaking on the property, this happens to be on Village property . They will need to be taken out and filled in with dirt the Village will not replace them.

No further business came before the Board and a motion to adjourn was made by Trustee Ash, second by Powers, at 8:05 pm all yeas.

Tina McCarty

Village Clerk 8/21/17