

Minutes of the Regular Meeting
Board of Trustees
Village of Forreston
Monday, January 15, 2018

President Mark Metzger calls to order the regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Forreston at 7:00 PM on January 15, 2018 at Village Hall and recites the Pledge of Allegiance. On roll call by Michelle Drayton the following members are present: Trustees Tim Drayton, Vickye Norris, Gary Buss, Ken Toms, Ken Vinnedge, and Jeff Freeze.

The minutes of the regular meeting of Monday, January 8, 2018 are considered for approval. Trustee Vinnedge makes a motion to approve the minutes as presented, second by Trustee Toms. Yeas: Trustees Norris, Buss, Toms, and Vinnedge. Abstained: Drayton and Freeze. Motion carries.

The claims list is considered for approval. Motion by Drayton to approve the claims in the amount of \$5,407.13, second by Freeze. Yeas: Trustees Drayton, Norris, Buss, Toms, and Vinnedge. Motion carries.

Metzger asks for public comment. Dean Fox introduces himself. He is running for Ogle County Board.

Metzger reports the BDD is active and business should be collecting at the higher tax rate. Some businesses stated they did not realize they were to start, but now are collecting at the 7.5% tax rate. Metzger states the State will collect at the higher rate. The monies collected will need to be placed in its own account/line item.

Toms has no new building permits to present for this month but asks the Board about the Lewis permit presented in November. Toms states the building is within the setback requirements and within property allotment percentage. It meets our criteria. The covenants in place are not our responsibility to enforce. Motion by Toms to approve the permit, second by Drayton. Yeas: Drayton, Norris, Buss, Toms, Vinnedge, Freeze. Motion carries.

President Metzger presents the Budget Officer's Report on behalf of Budget Officer Warren. Trustee Vinnedge Motions to accept the Budget Officer's Report, 2nd by Freeze. Yeas: Drayton, Norris, Buss, Toms, Vinnedge, & Freeze.

The Accounts Payable are reviewed. Trustee Drayton motions to approve the Accounts Payable, 2nd by Trustee Freeze. Yeas: Drayton, Norris, Buss, Toms, Vinnedge, Freeze. Motion carries.

Streets and Alleys have set a meeting for January 22 at 7:00 PM at Village Hall.

Building, Grounds, Parks, Zoning, and Planning Committee set a meeting for January 29th at 7:00 PM to speak with the Lions Club regarding Warnken Park and their ideas.

Winter & Associates will be in Wednesday, January 16, 2018 at 10:00 AM to present floor plan ideas.

Officer McClain verbally presented recent police department issues as Chief Boomgarden is out of town due to a medical emergency.

Norris reminds everyone that budget preparation is coming up so we need to be thinking about scheduling meetings next month.

Superintendent of Public Works Alan Cruthis gives a report of his department from January 8 through January 15, 2018.

Metzger gives his Village President's report. He mentions we received a Thank you from the Village of Progress for our donation. Metzger reports he would like to continue to do this each year. It does a great deal of good for not only our community but the surrounding communities and residents also.

President Metzger presents the Fehr Graham Professional Services Agreement. Discussion is held as to whether we have to pay the \$5,000.00 retainer or if that is just for when service are rendered. President Metzger will contact Mick. The Board agrees that if no money is due when we sign, the Board accepts the contract.

Motion by Drayton to adjourn, second by Freeze. All are in favor for adjournment.

Meeting is adjourned at 7:45 PM.

Michelle Drayton – Assistant Village Clerk