

Minutes of the Regular Meeting
Board of Trustees
Village of Forreston
Monday, March 20, 2017

President Mark Metzger calls to order the regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Forreston at 7:00 PM on March 20, 2017 and recites the Pledge of Allegiance. On roll call by Courtney Warren the following members are present: Trustees Marc Stamm, Gary Buss, Jeff Freeze, Ken Vinnedge, Ken Toms and Tim Drayton.

The minutes of the regular meeting of Monday, March 6, 2017 are considered for approval. Trustee Drayton makes a motion to approve the minutes as presented, second by Trustee Freeze. Yeas: Trustees Stamm, Freeze, Buss, Vinnedge, Toms and Drayton. Motion carries.

Metzger asks for public comment which there is none.

Trustee Toms presents a fence permit for Gary Buss. Motion by Toms to approve permit contingent upon the fee being paid and him taking a look at the property to check setbacks, second by Freeze. Yeas: Trustees Freeze, Vinnedge, Toms and Drayton. Abstain: Stamm and Buss. Motion carries.

The Board reviews the Treasurer's report for the month of February. Village Treasurer Fred Schneiderman states there was nothing unusual but the State is now 3 months behind on the income tax payments. Drayton makes a motion to approve the Treasurer's report as presented, Freeze seconds. Yeas: Trustees Stamm, Freeze, Buss, Vinnedge, Toms and Drayton. Motion carries.

The claims list is considered for approval. Toms makes a motion to approve the accounts payable as presented for a total of \$104,272.69. Freeze seconds the motion. Yeas: Trustees Stamm, Freeze, Buss, Vinnedge, Toms and Drayton. Motion carries.

The Board discusses requests from the Hometown Days Committee at the previous meeting. They decide they will give the same \$1,200 donation for the band, will provide help moving tables and electricity in the park for movie night.

Vinnedge reports we received the rebate on the first furnace, so he will get an estimate from Loescher for the second one. Buss asks if he is going to get a second bid. Vinnedge said he will.

A Law Enforcement Update from Police Chief Mike Boomgarden is reviewed for activity from March 7, 2017 through March 20, 2017.

Superintendent of Public Works Alan Cruthis gives a report of his department from March 6 through March 20, 2017.

Metzger reports the Clean Up Day Grant was approved and will take place on May 19 and 20. He explains ComEd will be installing smart meters sometime between April and May, they will make contact with the residents when it gets closer. Lastly, he reports the Village has a website. Clerk Warren will be working to customize it a little more before announcing to the public on water bills.

The Board considers Resolution 2017-01 regarding the electric municipal aggregation program. This resolution states they agree to combine our electrical loads with surrounding communities. Motion to approve by Toms, second by Stamm. Yeas: Trustees Stamm, Freeze, Buss, Vinnedge, Toms, Drayton and Metzger. Motion carries.

The Board reviews the Capital Development and Capital Improvement Funds to determine whether or not the money is there to proceed with the TIF and BDD services. They determine the money will come out of Capital Development. Clerk Warren explains the Hometown Tech Solutions Software was put into the

General Fund expenses and Water and Sewer expenses for next year's budget. Metzger reports he spoke with Sharon Pepin again about the TIF creation and she suggests approving that proposal contingent upon confirmation that the recently annexed property meets the TIF criteria. After a bit more discussion, the Board decides to move forward with all three proposals.

Motion by Freeze to approve Hometown Tech Solutions' Proposal, second by Drayton. Yeas: Trustees Stamm, Freeze, Buss, Vinnedge, Toms, Drayton and Metzger. Motion carries.

Motion by Stamm to approve Community Funding & Planning Services proposal for preparation and creation of a TIF District for the Village of Forreston contingent upon the vacant 17 acre parcel meeting the necessary TIF criteria, 2nd by Drayton. Yeas: Trustees Stamm, Freeze, Buss, Vinnedge, Toms, Drayton and Metzger. Motion carries.

Motion by Toms to approve Community Funding & Planning Services proposal for preparation and creation of a Business Development District for the Village of Forreston, 2nd by Freeze. Yeas: Trustees Stamm, Freeze, Buss, Vinnedge, Toms, Drayton and Metzger. Motion carries.

Motion by Stamm to have all ordinances codified and brought current for a cost of \$3,700 as well as brought online for and additional \$1,000, second by Freeze. Yeas: Trustees Stamm, Freeze, Buss, Vinnedge, Toms, Drayton and Metzger. Motion carries.

Meeting is adjourned at 8:30 PM.

Courtney Warren-Village Clerk