

**Minutes of the Meeting of the
Village of Forreton Board of Trustees
Forreton Public Library Community Room
Monday, July 6, 2021 7:00 PM**

Village President Metzger calls the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. The Pledge of Allegiance is recited by all.

On Roll Call by Clerk Drayton, Trustees Vickye Norris, Monty Cotter, Brittney Busker, Gary Buss, Ken Vinnedge, and Katie Kalina are all present. Also, present are Village President Metzger, Supt of Public Works Mark Rust, Officer Klosa, and Village Clerk Michelle Drayton. From the public, Gary and Jane Koeller are in attendance.

Minutes from the June 21, 2021 Meeting are reviewed. Motion is made by Trustee Vinnedge to accept the minutes as presented and is 2nd by Trustee Kalina. On Roll Call, Trustees Cotter, Busker, Buss, Vinnedge, Kalina, and Norris all respond with Yea.

Public Comment – there is no public comment.

Trustee Cotter presents the Building/Demolition, Sign, Fence & Pool Permits for the evening.

106 West Locust Avenue – A demolition permit is presented for the property. The owners will level the house. The property may be used as a parking lot but as of now, a decision has not been made. The owners have also withdrawn from the TIF process - they will not apply for assistance for this property. Motion is made by Trustee Cotter to approve the Demolition permit and is 2nd by Trustee Norris. On Roll Call, Trustees Busker, Buss, Vinnedge, Kalina, Norris, and Norris all respond with Yea.

Accounts Payable – Trustee Vinnedge asks if the electric issue has been fixed. Clerk Drayton states we thought it was, however, there were issues again today. Clerk Drayton is instructed to contact the electrician again. Trustee Cotter states he has the receipts for the BDD funding being awarded. Forreton Car Care has paid submitted over \$12,000 in paid receipts. Trustee Norris motions to approve the Accounts Payable as listed and is 2nd by Trustee Kalina. On Roll Call, Trustees Trustee Buss, Vinnedge, Kalina, Norris, Cotter, and Busker all respond with Yea.

Committee Reports:

Streets & Alleys - Trustee Buss has nothing to report.

Sewer and Water - Trustee Vinnedge states the Lead Line Replacement program has begun. Trustee Vinnedge also states they are seeking additional land for the sludge to be spread on. There will be a onetime permit fee of \$2,100 to the IEPA. The Water Main Replacement project has finished. Fischer's completed work on their clean up.

Finance - Trustee Norris states per the meeting last week they are looking into higher than projected electric charges for the WWTP and the concern over funding for the use of an outside CPA for help in balancing.

Buildings, Grounds, Parks, Zoning, Planning - Trustee Cotter reports the grills for Warnken Park were delivered and locations have been marked for the grills and picnic tables. Also, Trustee Cotter states Casey's has contacted the Village regarding amending their building permit. Instead of an outside freezer and refrigerator, they will be pouring cement pads for the HVAC, condensers, and AC. Trustee Cotter states a new blueprint was submitted to Village Hall. There will be no change in the permit fee. The Ludwig family has ordered a memorial bench for Memorial Park. They will pay for all costs including cement and TSR coating to be applied. Painting will be done at Memorial Park prior to Saur Kraut Days. Supt of Public Works Rust notes that the chip seal at Warnken Park may be put off until 2022 due to other expenses this summer.

Ordinances - Trustee Vinnedge notes that the amended Ordinance for stop intersections was handed out prior to the meeting. Please review as it will be on the next agenda as an Action Item. Trustee Busker has also gotten all ordinances downloaded into WORD so they can be reviewed and updated.

Clerk's Report - Clerk Drayton states a decision has not been made regarding pest control yet. She also notes the balance of account 01-01-0750 will look very different when the updated Revenue and Disbursements as \$11,071.55 was deposited into the line item. This was from repairs bills paid from the General Fund expense line used for Storm Damage last year.

Chief of Police Report – Officer Klosa is in attendance for Chief Thiel. The police report is reviewed.

Supt of Public Works Report - Supt. Rust states that Scott tested today for his Class 3 Wastewater certification. Kevin is working toward his Class C Water test. He is ready to test but needs 3 more months of time to be able to test. The Crosswalks are almost complete. They are operational just need a few finishing touches.

Village President's Report – Village President Metzger states he was approached by a towing company that is looking for a building/property in or near Forreston. If anyone hears of anything, please contact him with the information.

New Business - Discussion and approval of IEPA Loan 17-2197 Water Main Improvements project in the amount of \$357,554.23 including CFPS, Inc. Invoice #06 and Fischer Excavating Pay Application #5. This is the final application for the phase 1 of the Water Main Replacement. Motion to approve the request for loan disbursement is made by Trustee Vinnedge and is 2nd by Trustee Busker. On Roll Call, Trustees Vinnedge, Kalina, Norris, Cotter, Busker, and Buss all respond with Yea.

Discussion and approval of IEPA Loan 17-2197 Request for additional loan funds from IEPA. This is for eligible costs over the original projected costs for the Water Main Replacement project. Motion is made by Trustee Vinnedge and 2nd by Trustee Kalina to approve the request for additional funds. On Roll Call, Trustees Kalina, Norris, Cotter, Busker, Buss, and Vinnedge all respond with Yea.

Discussion and approval of IEPA Loan 17-5764 Lead Services Replacement project in the amount of \$31,678.25 including Fehr Graham Design Engineering invoices, Fehr Graham Construction Engineering invoice, CFPS, Inc. Loan Application Invoices and CFPS Inc. Loan Administration invoice. Motion is made by Trustee Vinnedge and 2nd by Trustee Kalina to approve the request for funds for the Lead Service Project. On Roll Call, Trustees Norris, Cotter, Busker, Buss, Vinnedge and Kalina all respond with Yea.

Discussion and approval of IEPA Loan 17-5764 Public Notification requirement to be posted on the Village's website. This notice will be posted online and, in the office, stating that IEPA is providing funding for Lead Line Service Replacement Project. Motion is made by Trustee Vinnedge to approve the signage and is 2nd by Trustee Cotter. On Roll Call, Trustees Cotter, Busker, Buss, Vinnedge, Kalina, and Norris all respond with Yea.

Old Business

Approval of Funding for additional Public Works Employee – the Finance Committee states the funding is available for an additional employee. Discussion is held and no action is taken at this time.

It is noted that work continues at the AT&T Tower. Clerk Drayton is asked if lease payments are being made and she responds yes.

Village President Metzger asks if there is any other Old Business. There is none. Request for a motion to adjourn is requested. Motion is made by Trustee Vinnedge and 2nd by Trustee Kalina. All are in favor. The meeting is adjourned at 8:10 PM.