

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

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

The minutes of the regular meeting of Monday, October 1, 2018 are considered for approval. Trustee Drayton makes a motion to approve the minutes as presented, second by Trustee Toms. Yeas: Trustees Buss, Toms, Vinnedge, Drayton, and Norris. Motion carries.

Metzger asks for public comment:

- Tom Gauthier at 5 N Ash asks the Board if they would be willing to put speed limit signs up in the Springbrook Trailer Court. He states there are a lot of children around and people drive awfully fast down Ash and Chestnut Streets. Chief Boomgarden explains by law he can only enforce 25 mph. He recommends posting caution children at play signs. He also states he and the other officers patrol out there quite frequently for this very reason. President Metzger likes the idea of the caution signs. Chief Boomgarden states he will get with Superintendent Alan Cruthis to get the signs ordered and then will contact Gauthier to work out placement of the signs.

Trustee Toms presents Building/Demolition, Sign, Fence & Pool Permits:

- Brian Curry at 507 W Green St filled out an application for a dog kennel fence. Toms explains normally they would not charge a fee for a dog kennel but this is permanent because he is sinking the posts in. Toms also explains that he and Drayton gave him permission to proceed with the fence because he was getting the dog before this Board meeting and everything was in compliance. The fee has already been paid. Motion by Toms to approve, second by Drayton. Trustees Buss, Toms, Vinnedge, Drayton, and Norris. Motion carries.
- Joy Brown at 404 W Green St submitted an application for a storage shed. At first they were enlarging, siding, and roofing a current storage shed for their firewood but have recently decided to extend it even further. The drawing on the permit includes the extension. It is still in compliance with the extension. Motion by Toms to approve, second by Buss. Trustees Buss, Toms, Vinnedge, Drayton, and Norris. Motion carries.

Treasurer Schneiderman presents the Treasurer's report for September 2018. Motion by Drayton to approve, second by Vinnedge. Yeas: Trustees Buss, Toms, Vinnedge, Drayton, and Norris. Motion carries.

The Claims list is considered for approval in the amount of \$16,280.92. Motion by Drayton to approve, second by Vinnedge. Yeas: Trustees Buss, Toms, Vinnedge, Drayton, and Norris. Motion carries.

Committee Reports:

Streets and Alleys: none

Sewer and Water: Vinnedge reports the blowers are in and the project is progressing. It all looks really good right now. He has not yet seen a final bill.

Finance Committee:

- Norris presents the Budget Officer Report for September 2018. Motion by Toms to approve report as presented, second by Vinnedge. Yeas: Trustees Buss, Toms, Vinnedge, Drayton, and Norris. Motion carries.
- Finance Committee will meet Monday, October 22 at 7:00 PM to discuss the health insurance renewal and other matters.

Buildings, Grounds, Parks, Zoning, Planning:

- Trustee Toms reports the concrete has been poured for both the benches at Memorial Park.
- Vinnedge asks if the roof of the shelter house at Memorial Park has been fixed yet. Buss states he will look into it.

Ordinances: none

Village Hall Renovations: none

Animal Control: none

Clerk's Report: none

The Law Enforcement Update from Police Chief Boomgarden is reviewed for activity from October 2, 2018 to October 15, 2018. Chief Boomgarden reports he has spoken to the Health Department regarding the property on Highway 26 that needs to be cleaned up. They suggested having a building inspector look at it. It seems to be a better route to take than having it condemned. Vinnedge states it might be worth contracting out a building inspector for a year to clean up a number of the properties around town. The Board briefly discusses this and decides to revisit the idea. Vinnedge will contact an inspector to get an idea of the cost.

Village President Report: Metzger asks Chief Boomgarden about Trick or Treat hours. Chief stated last year it was from 5:00 PM to 7:00 PM. He feels like this is sufficient for little kids. Metzger agrees.

There is no New Business to discuss.

Metzger asks the Board how they feel about vacating the alley behind Forrester Car Care and the New Life Pantry as well as the piece behind Mimmo's. He would like to get that cleaned up a little. Buss states there would have to be a utility easement if we did vacate it. Metzger asks the Board to think about it.

Motion by Toms to adjourn, second by Buss. All are in favor.

Meeting adjourned at 7:43 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Courtney Warren, Village Clerk