

Village of Creston Minutes
Tuesday, July 7, 2020

President Williams called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. Trustees Byro, Kerns, Katzman, Hopkins and Ward were present. Trustee Misch absent. Clerk Haub, Treas. Payton, Atty. Russ Crull and President Williams were also present.

Minutes from June 2, 2020 regular meeting were reviewed. A motion was made by Trustee Kerns to accept the minutes and Trustee Ward offered the second. The minutes were approved with all yeas.

Visitors & Communication – President Williams received a letter from Illinois Municipal League Risk Management Association in regards to insurance renewal. No action was taken. Clerk Haub received an email regarding Casey's General Store requesting curbside liquor sales. A formal request was not made and Clerk Haub responded asking for more information. No action was taken until a proper request is made.

Atty. Crull informed the board that the subdivision attorney sent out his client (owner of subdivision) to view the conditions of the property (overgrowth, infrastructure, etc.).

Building Inspector, Casper Manheim - updated the board on permits and violations issued.

Village Engineer, Kevin Bunge - is waiting for a list from Curt Loyd (maintenance) of manhole covers he thinks needs to be grouted. IDOT has received the letter from last month and is waiting for confirmation that it was forwarded. Automatic transfer switches for the wells is on hold until all parts are received. All parts should be obtained by early September and work will commence at that time.

Committee Reports

Finance – Trustee Hopkins had nothing to report.

Streets & Sidewalks – Trustee Ward said that patching in preparation to the seal coating job has been completed. The village should expect the seal coat job to take place mid-August.

Water & Sewer - Trustee Kerns had nothing to report. President Williams spoke about the replacement of the last new hydrant and the need for the valve to be replaced on Depot & Grove Sts. President Williams would like an updated infrastructure map of shut off valves.

Health & Safety – Trustee Misch was not present for the meeting.

Zoning & Planning – Trustee Katzman had nothing to report.

Subdivision – Trustee Byro - was passed by. No discussion made. Previously reported by Atty. Crull.

Old Business – *FY2021 Budget & Appropriations Ordinance* - Treasurer Payton said the village should expect to lose \$7,000 in tax revenue due to COVID-19 pandemic. Trustee Byro made a motion and Trustee Hopkins seconded to pass Fiscal Year 2021 Budget & Appropriations Ordinance 07072020. A roll call vote passed the motion with all yeas. *Water Tower Inspection* - Mr. Bunge presented the findings to the board. Laura Connelly at IDOT told Mr. Bunge that a letter needs to be sent in regards to the sudden reduction of work that was planned. Pres. Williams instructed Mr. Bunge to draft the letter explaining the changes made to save money. *Water & Sewer Rates* - no action was taken as there was insufficient information for the discussion that was to be about reviewing other fees in the utility schedule and the board is requesting more information from the treasurer to determine what action may need to be taken.

New Business – *William Heal Dedication* - President Williams requested the think of ideas for a memorial of some kind for the former Village President. It was agreed upon that the family should be consulted. *Golf Cart Ordinance* - Clerk Haub asked the board to review the current golf cart ordinance since it has not been reviewed since its origination in 2010. The subject was tabled until next month to allow the trustees to review the ordinance. *Updating Water Supply Line Blueprints* - discussed under "Water" in committee reports.

Further discussion included purchasing or renting a generator for times of need. Trustee Byro will look into it with Hazard Mitigation team. President Williams will research rental information and Mr. Bunge will investigate how big of a generator is needed. The generator would be used for well pumps to supply water to the residences. President Williams asked about the NICOR contract. Clerk Haub is to look for the signed contract because NICOR states that there isn't one.

Treasurer's Report – The Treasurer's report was reviewed. Trustee Hopkins made a motion to approve the report and to pay the bills for the village as presented. Trustee Kerns seconded the motion. A roll call vote passed the motion with all yeas.

A motion was made to adjourn by Trustee Ward and seconded by Trustee Kerns, and all were in favor. The meeting adjourned at 7:41 p.m.