

**Village of Creston Minutes**  
**Tuesday, October 1, 2019**

President Williams called the meeting to order at 7:02 pm. Trustees Byron, Misch, Ward, Katzman, Kerns and Hopkins was present, along with Clerk Haub.

Minutes from August 6, 2019 regular meeting were reviewed. Trustee Kerns made a motion to accept minutes. Trustee Hopkins offered the second to the motion. The minutes were approved with all yeas.

**Visitors & Communication** – No public comment or communication. Penny Payton was present for the meeting.

Atty. Crull had attended the Illinois Municipal League Conference in Chicago and has new information in regards to the cannabis/marijuana issue of legality.

Casper Manheim will be reviewing ordinances and will follow up with several complaints. He is finding that most people are responding to his letters.

Kevin Bunge received work that letting will take place in January because of Union Pacific Rail Road having some components need to be in agreement. He will not be charging the village for the date changes. Sewer readings were extremely high in the past month and suggested that there are at least four more manholes that need to be repaired. He also suggested getting the readings that Mr. Loyd does weekly for closer monitoring. Trustee Kerns made a motion to have VisuSewer come in for two days to do as much grouting work as possible to repair the sewer holes causing the most problem. Trustee Ward seconded the motion. A roll call vote passed the motion with all yeas. After repairs, Mr. Bunge suggested having the sewer televised and had two proposals. One company will televise the entire system for \$40,000 or televise one quarter of the system each year at \$12,000. Mr. Bunge will bring the quotes in for next month's meeting. Mr. Bunge added suggesting Curt Loyd check the sump pump at the lift station, to make sure it was working properly.

**Committee Reports**

Finance – Trustee Hopkins had nothing to report.

Streets & Sidewalks – Trustee Ward had nothing to report.

Health & Safety – Trustee Misch had nothing to report.

Water & Sewer – Trustee Kerns had nothing to report.

Zoning & Planning – Trustee Hopkins had nothing to report.

Subdivision – Trustee Byro was absent. Atty. Tess had no update to report.

Further discussion included that fire district got ISO rating back and dropped from a 6 to a 4 rating, which is good and is a community effort, not just due to the fire district work.

**Old Business** – *Solar Panel Ordinance* - discussion took place. Atty. Crull will write up an ordinance and pass it on to Mr. Manheim for review before presenting the ordinance to the board. *NICOR Agreement* - Atty. Crull been in touch with NICOR will move utilities if needed and once new ordinance is passed, the provided therms to the village will go up due to the calculating and based on the per capita of Village of Creston, changing the therms from 1,800 to 2383 per year. Trustee Byro made the motion to pass the NICOR agreement. Trustee Kerns seconded the motion. A roll call vote passed the motion with all yeas. *Farm Lease* - the board passed the lease last month for two years with a third year option without any other benefits but part of it was to have tile repaired. Atty. Crull is asking from the board a suggested maximum amount to be put in the lease to spend on the tile. He suggested having two tile companies come in to quote the work. Trustee Ward suggested putting in the lease to have bids brought to the board before agreeing to the work.

**New Business** – *Hazard Mitigation Resolution of Adoption* - a copy of the resolution was presented to the board. Clerk Haub will complete the resolution and have it presented to the board in November's meeting. This resolution has been done before to allow help if there is a disaster within the community. *Trick or Treat Hours* - discussion followed. Trick or Treat for the Village of Creston will be on Thursday, October 31 from 5-8 p.m.

**Treasurer's Report** – The Treasurer's report was reviewed. Trustee Kerns made a motion to approve the treasurer's report and pay the bills but review sewer flow and hold to pay RMU \$34,000 and pay after review. Trustee Hopkins seconded the motion and a roll call vote passed the motion with all yeas from the trustees.

A motion was made to adjourn by Trustee Hopkins and seconded by Trustee Ward. The meeting adjourned at 7:53 p.m.