

Village of Creston Minutes August 7, 2018

President Williams called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. Trustees Byro, Hopkins, Katzman, Kerns, Misch and Ward were present, along with Clerk Haub.

Minutes from July 3, 2018 regular meeting were reviewed. Trustee Kerns made a motion to accept the minutes as read, with Trustee Hopkins giving the second to the motion. The minutes were approved with all yeas.

Visitors & Communication – President Williams received a letter from Ogle County Health Department in regards to crows testing positive for West Nile Virus in Lindenwood. He also received a letter from Ogle County Highway Department concerning an upcoming flagger class. Larry Wing approached the board to seek advice on Booster Park's kitchen drain issue. He was directed to contact a license plumber to correct the issue as required by ordinance (hook up to sewer). David Brown requested to have a Booster Day fireworks donation be put on next month's agenda.

Atty. Crull stated that he is watching the subdivision's developer activity in other communities.

Kip Countryman was not present and did not submit an activity report.

Kevin Bunge informed the board about the cause of ground water issue at 313 N Grove St. He found that the driveway is not allowing drainage out of the yard and it is in the resident's best interest to correct the problem. In regards to Safe Routes to School (SRTS) project, he has people going down to IDOT for another purpose but will stop in to see the person in charge of the village's current project (Laura).

Committee Reports

Finance – Trustee Hopkins had nothing to report.

Streets & Sidewalks – Trustee Ward stated in the next couple of weeks, the post-sweep work will be done to clear up the loose rock which was laid for the tar & chip seal coating project completed in July.

Health & Safety – Trustee Misch informed the board about a high level of 4-wheeler activity in the subdivision. He was instructed to monitor the times he sees activity so it can be reported to local authorities to have a sheriff's unit out during those times. He was also concerned about firearms being discharged around his residence. It was determined that the discharges are outside village limits ("in the country").

Water & Sewer – Trustee Kerns had nothing to report. The replacement for the hydrant that was hit earlier in the summer is due to arrive on July 16th, with a spare hydrant for future use. There is a valve leak issue at the intersection of South St. and Transit St. that was caused by the damage to the hydrant previously mentioned. Both will be repaired at the same time, causing the area's water to be shut down and a boil alert will have to be ordered.

Zoning & Planning – Trustee Hopkins had nothing to report.

Subdivision – Trustee Byro had nothing to report.

Old Business – *Davidson Property Subdivision of Lot* - discussion took place as to what is needed and what should take place for the division of property. President Williams was informed by Zoning & Planning Committee President Paul Williams was instructed to have the board "vote yes or no to separate the property according to SurveyTech's mapping". Legal counsel suggested following through with proper procedure to file a local ordinance. Further discussion followed. A motion was made to separate the property into 2 parts, one residential and one commercial as drawn up by SurveyTech's map" by Trustee Kerns. A second was made by Trustee Katzman. A roll call vote passed the motion with 4 yeas, 1 no and one abstained. John Davidson agreed verbally to do what needs to be done if there is other paperwork to be filed. John Davidson turned in an invoice from Turtus Investments to be paid for an agreement to dump rock for the seal coat project. The invoice will be added later during the Treasurer's report and the paying of bills. *Downtown Street Light Maintenance* - Lyle Headon was trying to contact Rochelle Municipal Utilities (RMU) to repair a downed street light but was directed to have the village request the repairs. President Williams asked Trustee Ward to get a quote from RMU and find out what the village's responsibilities are for the repair.

New Business – *Approval of Revised IDOT BLR14321* - Total cost of the tar & chip seal coating on the north side of the village was \$614.09 over the approved amount of Motor Fuel Tax (MFT) funds used. A motion was made to revise the final payment of BLR14321 MFT Resolution to add the supplemental payment of \$614.09 by Trustee Ward. The second to the motion was made by Trustee

Hopkins. A roll call vote passed the approval of the resolution with all yeas. *Garbage & Recycling Rate Increases* - Clerk Haub received an email from Northern Illinois Disposal about the garbage and recycling annual rate increase. The increase was 1.76%, changing the garbage rate from \$9.69 to \$9.86 and recycling rate from \$2.04 to \$2.08. *Withdrawal Liquor License Application Melody Stege* - President Williams was informed that Melody Stege has withdrawn her application for the approved liquor license she requested. A reduction of the number of liquor licenses will be added to next month's meeting agenda.

Executive Session – Personnel - At 7:53, a motion was made to enter into executive session by Trustee Hopkins and seconded by Trustee Byro. A roll call vote passed the motion with all yeas. Roll call for Executive Session followed with everyone present and took place in President Williams' office. A motion was made to come out of Executive Session at 8:08 by Trustee Hopkins and seconded by Trustee Byro. A roll call vote passed with all yeas.

Attendance was taken with all present. A motion was made to increase Treasurer Payton's stipend from \$225.00 per month to \$300.00 per month by Trustee Kerns. A second was made by Trustee Hopkins. A roll call vote passed the motion with five yeas and one no.

Treasurer's Report – The Treasurer's report was reviewed. An invoice was added from Turtus Investments for dumping rock for the seal coat project in the amount of \$200.00. Trustee Ward made a motion to pay the bills. Trustee Kerns 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 Byro and seconded by Trustee Hopkins. The meeting adjourned at 8:16 p.m.