Village of Creston Minutes
January 3, 2012

President Tom Byro called the meeting to order at 7:02 pm with Trustees Garrison, Kerns, Hopkins, Gould, Bohling and Ward were present.

Visitors attending the meeting included: Penny Payton (Dement Township), John Davidson, Dan Graber (Planning Commission), David Roinas (Creston Booster Club), Denise Garrison, Fred Cederholm (Planning Commission) and Jacob Waddle (Creston Booster Club).

Minutes from December 6, 2011 regular meeting were reviewed. A motion was made by Trustee Kerns to approve the minutes with the second being made by Trustee Ward. The minutes were approved with all yeas.

Visitors & Communication

Dave Tess was not present. Kathleen Lorenzen was attending attorney. She had nothing to report.

Toby Petrie was not present.

Kevin Bunge had nothing to report.

Committee Reports

Finance – Trustee Hopkins had nothing to report.

Streets & Sidewalks – Trustee Ward brought up misspoken information in regards to the snow removal ordinance that was given during December’s meeting. He produced a draft copy of the current snow removal ordinance and gave his recommendations of changes to rectify issues. Section 38-122 was amended with a motion by Trustee Bohling, seconded by Trustee Hopkins resulting with a voice vote of all yeas.

Water & Sewer – Trustee Bohling stated there was no news from Bob Garland in regards to the control panels for the wells. He also informed the trustees that he received a grant packet from Mr. Bunge and hasn’t had time to look at it yet and wants to meet with the water committee.

Health & Safety – Trustee Kerns had nothing to report.

Zoning & Planning – Trustee Hopkins stated that there was a request from a property owner to put a manufactured house on a lot. Trustee Hopkins called the property owner and explained the codes and what is accepted and what is not.

Old Business – Davidson rezoning annexation – postponed. Annexation agreement, dated December 22, 2011, was e-mailed to the trustees but there is a concern for line #6. Everything else seems to be settled. Landfill meeting – A letter in regards to the landfill was sent to Rochelle’s mayor, Chet Olson by President Byro. A copy was presented to the board. Another meeting is scheduled for January 16 2012. Property insurance – A changed coverage list from Greg Query was presented to the board. There is still a question in regards to the well house coverage. Mr. Bunge will check with Mr. Query about the correct coverage amount.

New Business – Creston Booster Club – Mr. Roinas and Mr. Waddle, representatives of Creston Booster Club, approached the board with a preliminary outline of an event the club wants to hold on July 28, 2012. This event requires a closing of Depot St from the alley at Booster Hall to Main St. for a beer garden. The mayor is allowed to issue one-day liquor license. The booster club will need a copy of the noise ordinance. Dement Township
easements – President Byro received a letter and paperwork from township supervisor Payton on easements for sewer and water. Permits have not been written up yet but the township is asking for approval to what the easements will be.

Illinois Lincoln Highway Coalition sent forms to the village in regards to purchasing bicycle racks for fundraising. President Byro suggested that the village purchase three (3) or four (4) bike racks for $182 and is asking for permission to approach building owners to put a bike rack up.

Clerk Haub mentioned that the office computer is experiencing difficulties. The computer was purchased in 2003 and to add more software, for water meter reading or for website writing, would possibly crash it. Discussion followed and there was a motion made by Trustee Bohling to allow $1,500 to go towards purchasing a new computer for village hall. A second for the motion was made by Trustee Kerns. A roll call vote resulted in all yeas.

Executive Session

No session took place

Treasurer’s Report

The treasurer’s report was reviewed. Trustee Hopkins made a motion to pay the bills. The second was made by Trustee Bohling. A roll call vote was made and the motion was passed with all yeas.

A motion was made to adjourn by Trustee Ward and seconded by Trustee Hopkins.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m.