

Village of Creston Minutes July 7, 2015

President Byro called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm with Trustees Ward, Garrison, Hopkins, Williams and Kerns present. Trustee Gould was absent

Minutes from June 2, 2015 regular meeting were reviewed. A change needed to be made in Finance Committee Report (Trustee Hopkins was present for the meeting but had nothing to report) Trustee Kerns made a motion to accept the amended minutes and Trustee Ward seconded the motion. The minutes were approved with all yeas.

Visitors & Communication – Visitors attending were Dave Brown (Planning Commissioner) and Curt Loyd (maintenance). President Byro spoke about the annual water quality report and letter sent to residents and the article in the paper about Albert Lundgren introducing him as our meter reader. Dave Brown asked about mosquito treatment to the detention pond near the grade school. Discussion followed but he was assured that treatment was being done by Clarke Environmental Mosquito Management and the village has had extra applications completed already.

Atty. Crull stated that the subdivision attorneys have contacted their office and those attorneys thought the engineers were talking to each other. Mr. Bunge reported that a contractor, who claimed was a partner with the subdivision, asked about lessening the punch list. Mr. Bunge's office directed him to put a proposal in writing and the office has not seen or heard anything since. Trustee Kerns and the other trustees discussed many solutions in handling the situation at the subdivision.

Curt Loyd stated that Rochelle Municipal Utilities (RMU) contacted him about a possible generator problem at the lift station. It seems the generator is running when not needed and there may be a problem in the circuit board causing the faulty use. A representative from RMU will call President Byro if a problem is found.

Kip Countryman was not present.

A copy of the Appropriations Ordinance has been supplied to the trustees for review. A vote on the ordinance will take place at next month's meeting.

Kevin Bunge spoke about the patching/sealcoat projects. We received one bid for patching that was three times what it should be and recommended to decline the bid. Mr. Bunge and Trustee Ward are trying to contact smaller businesses for better prices. Last year's bid was for both seal coating and patching. It was decided to split the work. We have run into the same problem in two years for being able to get someone available to do the work. Discussion followed about patching and seal coating. We are still hoping to get the patching done in the fall. Creston Commons still has the proposed list of what needs to be done in the subdivision. Union Pacific will be looking at the rail road track crossing for road repairs. Lift station is up and running. Mr. Bunge suggested keeping certain parts on hand for future problems since there was a scramble to get the gasket and elbows needed for the current repair.

Rebecca Von Drasek was not present. Planning Commissioner Dave Brown stated that a continuation of the public hearing that took place last month is scheduled for July 16, 2015.

Committee Reports

Finance – Trustee Hopkins did not have anything to report.

Streets & Sidewalks – Trustee Ward had nothing to report.

Health & Safety – Trustee Kerns stated there will continue to be extra spraying for mosquito prevention.

Water & Sewer – Trustee Garrison had nothing to report.

Zoning & Planning – Trustee Hopkins had nothing to report other than the meeting coming up.

Subdivision – Trustee Gould was not present.

Old Business – Street Patching Bid – Trustee Ward and Mr. Bunge contacted smaller contractors hoping to get someone interested in a patching only job to be completed in the fall. Meyer Paving (Maple Park IL) bid \$24 per sq. yd. and Jim George & Sons bid \$25 per sq. yd. The proposal is to complete North St. where work was done in the winter and then other patching will be done until funds are used up. In regards to seal coating, at this time, bids would be too high and the demand is so great right now, there would be no one to do the work. Skim coating could be an option along with seal coating in the spring with bids to go out late winter of 2016. A motion was made to accept the \$24 per sq. yd. patching by Meyer Paving by Trustee Kerns and seconded by Trustee Williams. A roll call vote passed the motion with all yeas. *Appropriations Ordinance* – review of the ordinance that was presented at the last meeting found that \$40,000 needed to be added for street patching. A motion was made to the amended Appropriation Ordinance 070715 by Trustee Williams, with a second by Trustee Hopkins. A roll call vote passed the ordinance with all yeas.

New Business – Golf Carts/Gators – Discussion took place in regards to an email by Clerk Haub sent to the trustees and the president in regards to a certain golf cart that was not obeying the rules/guidelines/ordinance set forth by the village. It was found that the golf cart was not registered at the village. It was resolved for Clerk Haub to send either a letter or notice to all residents about unregistered golf carts/gators and the specifics of what a registered golf cart needs to comply with the ordinance. *Office Clerk-hours & duties* – after discussion in regards to office pay for the village clerk for work not set in a clerk's duty, it was decided to table the business until next meeting.

Other Business - Trustee Ward spoke about the village getting a Facebook page up and appoint the clerk and himself as administrators to the page. Trustee Hopkins asked about Safe Routes to School – Phase 2. Mr. Bunge stated that easement papers need to be signed and he will give them to Clerk Haub to get the signatures.

Executive Session – no session took place.

Treasurer's Report – The Treasurer's report was reviewed. \$2,077.10 for O'Brien Civil Works for the Prairie Street Drainage project (previously approved when the bid took place) needed to be added to the bills. Trustee Hopkins made a motion to accept the treasurer's report with a second coming from Trustee Kerns. A roll call vote passed the motion with all yeas.

A motion was made to adjourn by Trustee Williams and seconded by Trustee Hopkins. The meeting adjourned at 8:14 p.m.

Curt Loyd stated that the maintenance building is ready to get repainted.