

Village of Creston Minutes

March 6, 2012

President Tom Byro called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm with Trustees Garrison, Kerns, Hopkins, Bohling, Gould, and Ward were present.

Visitors attending the meeting included: Dick Petrizzo (running for Ogle County board District 1), Richard Breining, Fred Cederholm, Dan Graber, Bob Garland.

Minutes from February 7, 2012 regular meeting were reviewed. A motion was made by Trustee Hopkins to approve the minutes with the second being made by Trustee Ward. The minutes were approved with all yeas.

Visitors & Communication

Dick Petrizzo approached the board in regards to his candidacy for Ogle County board member for District 1.

Dave Tess was not present. President Byro notified the trustees that they have met with landfill people last month and will meet again in March.

Toby Petrie was not present. His monthly report was available to the trustees. During the month had added permits and permit information on the website.

Kevin Bunge reported that the first phase of Safe Routes to School (SRTS) seems to have been approved but stated that this has happened before and to not think that there may be other changes/additions will change the approval. Communication from IDOT must be carbon copied to taxing body (local agency) when e-mails are sent regarding SRTS projects.

Committee Reports

Finance – Trustee Hopkins reported that the village received the check for farm rent.

Streets & Sidewalks – Trustee Ward spoke local agency agreement for federal participation for the SRTS project being bid in April of \$129,653 construction for sidewalks. This agreement means the Village of Creston and the State of Illinois is going to use SRTS money to build the sidewalks in the community. There was a motion to approve the agreement by Trustee Ward and seconded by Trustee Kerns. A roll call vote passed the motion with all yeas. The second funding phase for SRTS has been released. The village can either wait to get the engineer approved by IDOT (again, 8-9 month wait) or pay the engineer directly and start the sidewalks immediately. The trustees agreed to put the second phase on hold at least until the first phase has started. A free public construction workshop presented by the attorney general's office is available to anyone who would like to go in Rockford. Also State of Illinois passed a requirement that every elected official must complete the online Open Meetings Act training by the end of the year.

Water & Sewer – Trustee Bohling was previously looking into a grant to help pay for the well panel but upon reviewing the constraints of the grant weren't worth what was trying to be done. Estimate of a new panel is between \$4,000 & \$5,000. President Byro suggested having Mike M. (water operator) attend the next meeting to review with the board on action that should be taken. President Byro suggested that the next water meter phase should start soon.

Health & Safety – Trustee Kerns had nothing to report

Zoning & Planning – Trustee Hopkins had nothing to report.

Old Business – *Davidson rezoning annexation* – Davidsons were not available to attend the meeting and after last meeting's reviewing, they want all breakdowns on costs of all work that has been done and that will be done. Discussion was made in regards to how costs can change.

New Business – *Committee Assignments* – Committees were restructured (see attached), mainly replacing Trustee Brodzik appointments with Trustee Gould. *Subdivision* – a new committee was formed to deal with issues regarding the subdivision. Trustee Gould will be the liaison for the village when communicating issues with Contry Homes contractor. Discussion followed regarding the issue of snow removal within the subdivision. A subdivision home owner, Richard Breining, spoke to the trustees about a suggested proposal he drew up presented to the trustees. The trustees will review the proposal and also consider coming up with other options.

Executive Session

No session took place

Treasurer's Report

The treasurer's report was reviewed. Trustee Kerns 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 7:55 p.m.