

Village of Creston Minutes May 6, 2014

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

Visitors attending the meeting included: there were no visitors.

Minutes from April 1, 2014 regular meeting were reviewed. Trustee Kerns made a motion to accept the minutes and Trustee Ward seconded the motion. The minutes were approved with all yeas.

Visitors & Communication

No visitors spoke. President Byro reminded the board about the electronics recycling event on Saturday but there is also a daily drop off at the water treatment plant in Rochelle. Trustee Garrison also mentioned that Best Buy also allows three recyclable electronic items per day.

Atty. Dave Tess met with Creston Commons developer again (Mr. Weirstien). The developer will not spend \$ or build houses and is in the market to sell the property to another developer. Mr. Weirstien would like the village to accept the improvements as they are and thinks the village's demands are set too high. Mr. Tess would think the village board will not accept the "improvements" as they are and suggested that the board should formalize what needs to be done to accept the improvements. Discussion followed.

Kip Countryman reviewed his report and stated that with the improved weather, activity is picking up.

Rebecca Von Drasek was absent. Nothing presented

Kevin Bunge reported that the Transit St plan has been drawn up but the specs are still being worked on for the railroad crossing grant. The street is currently 17' wide and will go to about 22' wide. The man Mr. Bunge spoke to from the railroad was helpful and cooperative. We have to wait for IDOT if the grant is accepted (next couple of months). Drainage project bid for Casey's will be coming up. The date in the paper was wrong, delaying the process. The sealcoat project is waiting on the vote from the board to release the motor fuel tax (MFT) funds. Mr. Bunge asked that since accommodations on Transit St are changing, if Safe Routes to School should change back to match existing conditions. Trustee Ward agreed. Curtis Loyd mentioned that he found more sump pumps being plumbed into the sewer. Discussion followed what to do with violators.

Committee Reports

Finance – Trustee Hopkins had nothing to report.

Streets & Sidewalks – Trustee Ward had nothing to report other than what is coming later in the meeting.

Health & Safety – Trustee Kerns had nothing to report.

Water & Sewer – Trustee Garrison had nothing to report.

Zoning & Planning – Trustee Hopkins had nothing to report.

Subdivision – Trustee Gould stated cleanup has been taken care of by a neighbor, including splitting lawn mowing duties.

Old Business – *Annual Financial Report* – Trustee Hopkins motioned to approve the report and Trustee Kerns seconded. A roll call vote passed the report with all yeas. *Transit St. Repair* – was already discussed.

New Business – *MFT Fund Sealcoat Project* – Package is ready to go, Woodlawn Rd. is not included. Trustee Ward made a motion to allow MFT funds to be used, up to \$50,000, for sealcoating, repairs and gravel. Trustee Garrison seconded the motion and a roll call vote took place to pass the motion. *Sidewalk Replacement* – The area spoken about is west of Main St on the south side of North St. Trustee Gould said that if someone wants to put business in Creston that we should help as best we can. Suggested sidewalk consists of 155' x 6' (GIS), from the west edge of Headon's sidewalk continuing on. \$8,784 will be used to build the sidewalk, coming from the telecommunication funds. Trustee Gould made the motion to award the work to O'Rorke Construction not exceeding \$9,000. Trustee Ward seconded the motion and a roll call vote passed the motion with all yeas.

Executive Session – Trustee Hopkins made a motion to close the meeting for executive session. Trustee Hopkins made a motion to come out of executive session and was seconded by Trustee Gould.

Rochelle Disposal Contract –It was decided to table Rochelle Disposal Contract until next meeting. Trustee Hopkins made the motion to table and Trustee Garrison seconded. All yeas accepted the motion.

Treasurer's Report – The Treasurer's report was reviewed. A motion was made to accept the treasurer's report by Trustee Kerns with a second coming from Trustee Hopkins. A roll call vote passed the motion with all yeas.

A motion was made to adjourn by Trustee Kerns and seconded by Trustee Hopkins

The meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.