

Village of Creston Minutes October 2, 2012

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

Visitors attending the meeting included: Fred Cederholm, Dan Graber, Terry Daugherty, Jack Kerns, Ed Elshoff and Karim Tillage.

Minutes from September 4, 2012 regular meeting were reviewed. A motion was made by Trustee Ward to approve the minutes with a second coming from Trustee Kerns. The minutes were approved with all yeas.

Visitors & Communication

President Byro stated that there will be a Prevailing Wage workshop on October 16, 2012 at 10:00am in Lombard IL. He also informed the trustees that there will be a Citizen Planner workshop for zoning, planning and development on October 27, 2012 in Belvidere IL. There is a \$20 registration fee for that workshop.

Dave Tess was not present.

President Byro presented the nomination for the appointment of Terry Daugherty to the position of village trustee to replace Trustee Bohling. Trustee Ward made a motion to approve the nomination of the appointment with Trustee Hopkins seconding the motion. All yeas passed the motion. Trustee Daugherty took his seat along with the other trustees.

Toby Petrie presented his activity report and stated that he was contacted by Frank Schermerhorn (property at Rt 38 & Main St) about having the zoning changed to allow an apartment in back of the building with office space in the front of it. Mr. Petrie directed him to planning commission. He is working on plan review of Creston/Dement Township building. He is talking with Mr. Cederholm on changes to zoning code for accessory building detail. He also received an inquiry about requirements to add an apartment on top of an existing structure.

Kevin Bunge had nothing to report that won't be brought up later.

Committee Reports

Finance – Trustee Hopkins had nothing to report.

Streets & Sidewalks – Trustee Ward had nothing to report.

Water & Sewer – Trustee Garrison commented on having Mike from MGD to come out and look at the issues with the controller.

Health & Safety – Trustee Kerns had nothing to report.

Zoning & Planning – Trustee Hopkins had nothing to report. The planning commission meeting minutes were passed out. The next meeting will be on October 18, 2012.

Subdivision – Trustee Gould had nothing to report.

Old Business – Water Meters – President Byro was briefed by Lonnie Capes of Anderson Plumbing and was told that 17 of the 28/29 meters in Phase II are in. There are issues with a duplex (but there is one owner, therefore one meter), one individual will not allow anyone into his properties, one house has the old meter in a kitchen cupboard, etc. President Byro reminded the trustees and the audience that it is required by USDA to receive grants, the village must be up to date and one of the requirements is to have the water system up to date. This is a common requirement for any grant issuer. *Downtown sidewalk project* - There was an engineering issue and a slope was required from the steps to the curb for ADA requirement. The quotes and plans that were accepted were made before steps were put in. Mr. Garland is to patch edge to finish the project. *Vacate alleyway* – An ordinance was drafted by Attorney Tess. A special meeting will take place on November 7 at 6:45pm to present the ordinance to the community and to hear public opinion.

New Business – Casey's General Store liquor sales hours - Store hours have changed to 24 hours and would like to have their liquor sales the same hours as Rochelle. Mr. Karim Tillage, manager of the store, was present to answer any questions the trustees have. A motion was made by Trustee Kerns to change the License ## (packaged liquor) liquor sales hours to 5:30am to 2:00am from Monday through Saturday (Sunday morning) and 10:00am to 11:00pm on Sundays and drop "Election Day sales", effective October 3, 2012. Trustee Hopkins seconded the motion. A roll call vote passed the motion with all yeas. *Subdivision snowplowing* – Contry Homes is under the impression that since they laid 2" blacktop that it would be Creston's responsibility to plow snow but that is not the fact. The Village of Creston has not accepted the public improvements of the subdivision and plowing snow would show the acceptance. Mr. Bunge ran down a checklist of what needs to be completed by Contry Homes for the village to accept the subdivision. (sidenote: Mr. Knabe is no longer with the company). *Hydrant flushing* - will take place on October 15, 2012. *Nomination packets* – are available for the April 9, 2013 Consolidated election. There are four (4) trustee seats up for election, along with village president and village clerk.

Executive Session – No session took place.

Treasurer's Report – The Treasurer's report was reviewed. A-1 Tree service invoice included \$8,250 of work for storm damage cleanup from the spring. Trustee Ward brought up prevailing wage question for tree trimming. A motion was made to pay the bills by Trustee Hopkins with a second by Trustee Kerns. A roll call vote was made and the motion was passed with all yeas.

Reminder that next month's meeting will be moved to Wednesday, November 6, 2012, due to the election.

A motion was made to adjourn by Trustee Hopkins and seconded by Trustee Garrison.
The meeting adjourned at 8:06 p.m.