

**Village of Lovington
Regular Board Meeting
January 09, 2017**

Call to order: President Jim Minor called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance: President Minor led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call found the following trustees to be present: Dennis Garmon, Jim McMahan, April Daily, Doug Smith, Roger Walker and Pam Anklam. President Jim Minor and Clerk Alma Fair were also present.

Guests present were: Jeremy Doggett

Those wishing to speak were: Doggett had handouts from the engineering firm – Farnsworth Group. This is regarding to the Chlorine Feed Modification for Chlorine Disinfection Exemption Revocation. The cover letter lists the requirements needed. This needs to be done by May 1, 2017. He will have an estimation of the cost for the next meeting but believes it will be under \$10,000. He also believes he with Roland and Scott will be able to do the required work. He expects to have the work done my April 1. He also stated that there were no violations from the IEPA. The over loaded at the sewer plant may be caused by infiltration from illegal hookups. Doggett would like to do smoke testing to see where the problems might be. Illinois Rural Water would do the testing for minimal cost. The community will be receiving a letter before that takes place.

Closed Session

Meeting of “The Mayor & Commissioners of a municipality organized under article 4 of the Municipal Code held to discuss matters, which relate solely to exercise their executive or administrative responsibilities.”

1. 5 ILCS 120/2 Sec.2 (2) Salary Deliberations

A Motion was made by Garmon and seconded by McMahan to go into closed session for the purpose of Salary Deliberations at 7:28 pm.

YEA: Smith, Walker, Anklam, Garmon, McMahan, Daily

Nay: None

MOTION CARRIED

Return to Open Session

A Motion was made by Anklam and seconded by McMahan to return to open session at 7:57 pm.

YEA: Walker, Anklam, Garmon, McMahan, Daily, Smith

Nay: None

MOTION CARRIED

1. Action on Closed Session items

A Motion was made by Anklam and seconded by McMahan to accept the proposed raises as discussed in closed session.

YEA: Anklam, Garmon, McMahan, Daily, Smith, Walker

Nay: None

MOTION CARRIED

New Business

1. Discussion and action on Direct Energy's pricing proposal for Village electric accounts

Garmon reviewed the pricing proposal he received from Good Energy and recommended the 36-month term contract with Direct Energy. This is for the Village accounts only.

A Motion was made by Garmon and seconded by McMahan to accept the proposed pricing recommendation from Good Energy of a 36-month term contract with Direct Energy.

YEA: Garmon, McMahan, Daily, Smith, Walker, Anklam

Nay: None

MOTION CARRIED

Old Business

Nothing

Minutes and action of Village Clerk – by Alma Fair

1. **Discussion and action on December 2016 invoices**

A Motion was made by McMahan and seconded by Daily to approve the December 2016 invoices as presented.

YEA: McMahan, Daily, Smith, Walker, Anklam, Garmon

Nay: None

MOTION CARRIED

2. **Discussion and action on December 12, 2016 Regular Board Meeting minutes**

A Motion was made by Anklam and seconded by McMahan to approve the December 12, 2016 Regular Board Meeting minutes as presented.

YEA: Daily, Smith, Walker, Anklam, Garmon, McMahan

Nay: None

MOTION CARRIED

1. **Discussion on appropriation changes for FY 2017 – 2018**

Clerk Fair will be preparing the appropriation for next fiscal year 2017-2018. She asks for any changes to be given to her so the changes can be made before next month's meeting.

2. **Codification Update**

Fair reported that she has sent all the ordinances to the codification service for updated. She then received a call from Frank at Illinois Codification regarding the Utilities ordinance that was revised last January. Part of the ordinance that was removed needs to be returned as it was a federal law. Fair spoke with Steve Wood and he will prepare the ordinance so that we can vote on it next month, we only need to let him know what due

dates and any other changes. Fair than will contact Frank at Illinois Codification with the correct ordinance. The board recommended that we keep the shut-off date of the 5th of the month.

3. Rural Business Development Grants (RBDG) was handed out and Fair explained a little about it. Daily has spoken with our rep before so she was familiar with the program.
4. Fair also asked when do we need to decide about fireworks for this year? I notice that last year it was in January or February. The response was that the committee needs to come to us requesting it again.

Treasurer's Report –

nothing

Department Reports

Presidents Report – Jim Minor

The letter that will go to the property owners which butts up against the railroad property that we purchased was presented for approval. The board all approved it as presented.

Water and Sewer Report – Jim McMahan

Nothing

Parks and Special Projects – Dennis Garmon

He presented the spread sheet regarding the breakfast with Santa.

Garmon also presented a map that he suggested be laminated quite a while ago and Fair and Sue Gordon took that initiative to get it done. He will frame it and put it on the wall in the meeting room.

Police – Pam Anklam

Martina will need a vest for training and Swisher's vest has expired.

A Motion was made by McMahan and seconded by Anklam to approve the purchase of two vests one for Martina and one for Swisher.

YEA: Smith, Walker, Anklam, Garmon, McMahan, Daily

Nay: None

MOTION CARRIED

Anklam will be looking at the ordinance with Swisher regarding required equipment for police officers.

Streets and Alleys – by Doug Smith

After looking at the Motor Fuel expenses for the year, he noticed that nothing was spent on drainage although we purchased new inlets last year which should have been paid out of Motor Fuel instead of General Fund. Fair will see if she can find that bill and talk to our rep about reimbursing the General Fund for them.

Buildings and Grounds – by Roger Walker

Nothing to report

Insurance – April Daily

Received from IMLRMA a notice of a regional safety training which will be held at Arthur on February 15. She would like for Doggett, Birt and Connelly to attend.

Adjournment:

A **Motion** was made by McMahan to adjourn at 8:50 p.m.

Alma M. Fair

Alma M. Fair, Village Clerk

February 13, 2017

Date Approved