

**Village of Lovington
Regular Board Meeting
March 13, 2017**

Call to order: President Jim Minor called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

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

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

Guests: Jake Kamm, Hunter Kamm, Clayton Young and his father.

Requesting to speak: Jake Kamm and Clayton Young. Kamm spoke first regarding this year's fireworks. They are currently scheduled for June 16th which is the same night as the Community Club's annual Fish Fry. Kamm handed out the proposed items that would be in the fireworks. He stated they would be adding the American Flag. Minor asked why the date of June 16th was chosen? Daily reported that the community club has the fish fry and thought it would bring more people into the community if it was held at the same time. The display will last approximately 30 minutes. The total cost would be \$8000.00 with a donation of \$2000.00 from the community.

A Motion was made by Walker and seconded by Daily to set the date of June 16th for the fireworks.

YEA: McMahan, Daily, Smith, Walker

Absent: Garmon and Anklam

Nay: None

MOTION CARRIED

Clayton Young spoke next. He is preparing for his eagle scout project. He is not sure what he will be doing just yet, but possibly something at the park or redoing the welcome to Lovington signs. Walker asked for clarification - does the Village have to provide supplies for the project and he does the work or does he provide the supplies. He and his father were not sure how it will work but will try to get more information and come back next month with the answers. Fair plans to put them on the agenda for next month

New Business

none

Old Business

1. Discussion and action on an outsourcing the printing and mailing of utility bills In Trustee Dennis Garmon absence Clerk Fair presented Susan Gordon's solution for the water billing process. USTI would print and mail the bills at a cost of \$195.00 per month. There would be a one-time setup fee of \$495.00 with an annual fee of \$120.00

A Motion was made by Daily and seconded by McMahan to approve outsourcing the printing and mailing of utility bills.

YEA: Daily, Smith, Walker, McMahan

Absent: Garmon and Anklam

Nay: None

MOTION CARRIED

Minutes and action of Village Clerk – by Alma Fair

1. Discussion and action on February 2017 invoices

A Motion was made by McMahan and seconded by Walker to approve the February 2017 invoices as presented.

YEA: Smith, Walker, McMahan, Daily

Absent: Garmon and Anklam

Nay: None

MOTION CARRIED

2. Discussion and action on February 13, 2017 Regular Board meeting minutes

A Motion was made by Walker and seconded by Daily to approve the February 13, 2017 Regular Board Meeting minutes as presented.

YEA: Walker, McMahan, Daily, Smith

Absent: Garmon and Anklam

Nay: None

MOTION CARRIED

Treasurer's Report – Shelly Martina

Clerk Fair reported that Shelly Martina had balanced all accounts but the General fund as of February 28, 2017; Former Treasurer Stanley as not been able to meet with her for around a month, Martina is hoping to meet with Katie this week, so she can get the General fund balanced. Martina asked Fair to ask the board what they wanted to see on the treasurer report. Smith liked the layout – it was easy to read. Fair stated the only thing she would think they would want to see is the deposits. Since the invoices have the checks written but currently there is nothing showing the deposits. She and Martina will be looking at reports in the new system to see what they can come up with.

Minor then talked about the CD's that we have and the two that the bank is holding as collateral for the loan with them. Fair and Minor will go to Bank on Wednesday to talk about the resolution that needs to be written and approved at the April meeting regarding the loan and the CD's which are being held.

A Motion was made by McMahan and seconded by Daily to approve the February 2017 Treasurer's report as presented.

YEA: McMahan, Daily, Smith, Walker

Absent: Garmon and Anklam

Nay: None

MOTION CARRIED

Department Reports

Presidents Report –Jim Minor

Nothing to report

Water and Sewer Report – Jim McMahan

Reported on the Sewer Plant Chlorine update. We are coming in under the estimated cost of \$10,000. The goal to have the project completed is still for April 1st or sooner. Three valves had to be replaced at the water plant.

Parks and Special Projects – Minor reported in Dennis Garmon's absence

Minor read an email from Amanda Kreher regarding this year's Easter egg hunt. It will be held at the park on April 8th at 10:00 am. They are requesting \$500.00 for the event.

A Motion was made by McMahan and seconded by Daily to provide \$500.00 for the Easter egg hunt with any unused monies returned to the Village with the receipts of the expenses.

YEA: Daily, Smith, Walker, McMahan

Absent: Garmon and Anklam

Nay: None

MOTION CARRIED

Police – Pam Anklam absent

With both Anklam and Garmon absent – Clerk Fair read an email from Shane Edgar with Cissell Mueller regarding a Dollar General store in Lovington. It stated that Dollar General's response to them was that Lovington IL is MTA #104856 but the household count is under 800. It's too small to work as an OTA this year. But he will reconnect with us in 2018.

Streets and Alleys – by Doug Smith

The Ford Truck will be ready in about 2 weeks. Daily asked if we would have any decals put on the cab? It was decided to have "Village of Lovington" placed on the side. Daily will stop at Dyna Graphics and see what they can do for us. She will also see what the cost would be to put our name on the other vehicles we own.

Buildings and Grounds – by Roger Walker

Walker reported on the letters that were sent out regarding the railroad right of way. He heard from one person.

A Motion was made by Walker and seconded by Daily to have Citizen Abstract do a title search on this property only with a cap of \$1000.00 on the cost of the title search.

YEA: Smith, Walker, McMahan, Daily

Absent: Garmon and Anklam

Nay: None

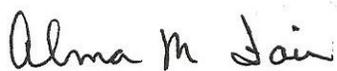
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Insurance – April Daily

1. Spoke with Jim from the Illinois Municipal League who we have our insurance with and we really do not want to do community service because we do not have insurance to cover them if they are injured.
2. Our 3 employees attended the meeting at Arthur last month. Jim with the Illinois Municipal League suggested if they have anything over 5 feet of digging trenches they need to contact someone else to dig and shore for us since we don't have any shoring equipment. Plus, you must have three people at all times while digging. Smith asked if we can rent the shoring equipment or do we have to have a shoring company do our work? Smith suggested talking to Jeremy to see what or where the equipment can be rented. Might also need to talk to the companies that have the shoring equipment to find the answer of them doing the work or our employees doing the work.

Adjournment:

A **Motion** was made by McMahan to adjourn at 8:29 p.m.



Alma M. Fair, Village Clerk

April 10, 2017

Date Approved