

CALL TO ORDER

The Village of Durand Board of Trustees met in Regular Session on Monday, August 24th, 2020. The meeting was called to order by the Village President, Bob Corwin, at 7:40 P.M.

ROLL CALL:

Present: Trustee Waller, Trustee Matteson, Trustee Fritz, Trustee Meissen, Trustee Hoffman

Present Via Teleconference: None

Absent: Trustee Slade

Employees: *Chief of Police, Jeff Schelling*

Public Works Supervisor, Aaron Kahl

Village President: Bob Corwin

Village Treasurer: Sherry Bessert

Village Attorney: Darron Burke

Village Clerk: Mary Sphatt

Public: *See attached sign-in sheet*

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

MINUTES

The minutes from the August 10th, 2020 Regular Session were inspected. Motion was made by Mrs. Matteson seconded by Mrs. Waller to approve the August 10th, 2020 minutes of the Regular Session as amended. ROLL CALL: Matteson, yes: Slade, absent: Meissen, yes: Waller, yes: Fritz, yes: Hoffman, abstain. MOTION CARRIED. APPROVED.

PAYMENT OF THE BILLS

The bills were reviewed by the board members. A Motion was made by Mrs. Meissen and seconded by Mr. Fritz to draw on the treasury to pay the August 24th, 2020 bills totaling \$28,663.17. ROLL CALL: Fritz, yes: Slade, absent: Meissen, yes: Hoffman, yes: Waller, yes: Matteson, yes. MOTION CARRIED. AUTHORIZED.

ZONING

PUBLIC COMMENT

COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. FINANCE

Nicor Gas informed the Village of a second billing option for municipal buildings. The board agreed to stay with the same franchise agreement that is currently in place. There will be no change to billing until 2036. An ordinance needs to be passed for the Village to collect franchise fees from Mediacom.

B. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

The Declaration of Local State of Emergency has been extended. The library has reopened with COVID protocols in place. Visitors to the library are by appointment only and their contact email address is villagelibrary@cusd322.org. The Fall Festival and Candy Cane Lane have both been cancelled due to Health Department COVID restrictions. Dollar General and Subway are both open and doing well. The Soldiers and Sailors Monument is to be rededicated on Sunday, September 20, 2020 at 2 p.m. the organizers are asking for street closures from 1-4 p.m. on that day.

C. BUILDINGS AND PARKS

The Trustees discussed a zoning fee for building permits. The Village currently does not charge a fee and the trustees agreed that one is needed to offset costs. A straw poll showed unanimous support for this fee. A resident at 1305 Summerland put up a shed without a building permit and was informed that he needs a permit to have the shed. Dead trees have all been taken down at the park. The bid from Kelsey Excavating for taking down the building on the Norder property is \$28,000, which includes removal.

D. STREETS AND ALLEYS

The Chip & Seal has been completed and a second sweep will take place in the next few weeks. Police Chief Schelling updated the board on the progress of the discussed ATV/UTV Ordinance. Board Member Sheila Hoffman spoke with the Pecatonica Mayor about their Ordinance. A committee will be formed to work on a possible Ordinance for the Village of Durand. Arbor Care took down two trees on Fremont Street. The Board discussed the benefits of removing unused alleys.

E. WATER AND SEWER

Notification letters for past due utility payments have been mailed out. Minimum billing for water/sewer charges were discussed.

F. POLICE

The go live date for CAD/RMS software was August 18th. Both systems are up and running. The Noise Ordinance needs more work and is going back to committee for discussion. A possible new hire will be discussed in executive session.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- A. The Local State of Emergency has been extended.
- B. The Ordinance concerning noise regulation has been sent back to committee and will be voted on at a later date.
- C. Motion was made by Mr. Fritz and seconded by Mrs. Waller to approve Resolution 2020-18: Renewal of Village Electric Account Rates, a bid from Constellation. ROLL CALL: Matteson, yes: Fritz, yes: Waller, yes: Meissen, yes: Slade, absent: Hoffman, yes. MOTION CARRIED. APPROVED.
- D. Motion was made by Mr. Fritz and seconded by Mrs. Meissen to approve Resolution 2020-19: Renewal of Village Electric Account Rates, a bid from AEP Energy. ROLL CALL: Hoffman, yes: Waller, yes: Slade, absent: Matteson, yes: Meissen, yes: Fritz, yes. MOTION CARRIED. APPROVED.

NEW BUSINESS

- A. Motion was made by Mr. Fritz and seconded by Mrs. Waller to waive first reading for Ordinance 2020-13: Levy and Assessment ROLL CALL: Meissen, yes: Waller, yes: Fritz, yes: Hoffman, yes: Slade, absent: Matteson, yes. MOTION CARRIED. APPROVED.
- B. Motion was made by Mrs. Waller and seconded by Mr. Fritz to approve Ordinance 2020-13: Levy and Assessment. ROLL CALL: Meissen, yes: Waller, yes: Fritz, yes: Hoffman, yes: Slade, absent: Matteson, yes. MOTION CARRIED. APPROVED.

TO EXECUTIVE SESSION: 5ILCS 120/2(c)(1): The appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance or dismissal of specific employees of the public body or legal counsel for the public body, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee of the public body or against legal counsel for the public body to determine its validity.

Time adjourned from regular session: 8:17 P.M.

Time entered into executive session: 8: 18 P.M.

Time Adjourned from executive session: 8:37 p.m.

RE-ENTER REGULAR BOARD SESSION: Roll Call: Meissen, Waller, Matteson,

Hoffman. President Corwin Reconvened Regular Board of Trustees meeting at 8:38 P.M.

The Board approves the hire of a new part time employee recommended by Police Chief Schelling, pending state waivers.

MOTION TO ADJOURN THE AUGUST 24TH 2020 REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

ROLL CALL: YEAS, 5; NAYS, 0; ABSENT, 1.

TIME ADJOURNED: 8:40 P.M.