

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS
OF
VILLAGE BOARD

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VILLAGE OF ORION)

The regular meeting of the President and Board of Trustees was held at 7:30 p.m., July 2, 2012, at the Village Hall, 1202 4th Street, Orion, Henry, Illinois. The following members were present: Cooper, Stiles, Peterson, O'Leary, Newman, Lawson, and Drucker.
Absent: None.

President Cooper called the meeting to order and led the board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

It was moved by Drucker, seconded by Peterson to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held June 18, 2012. Ayes: Stiles, Peterson, O'Leary, Newman, Lawson, and Drucker. Noes: None. Absent: None.

Trustee Lawson said Street Supt. Neil Dahl had reviewed the sidewalk plan and was working on ditches and culverts. Trustee Drucker thanked the Street Department for filling potholes and said a tree obstructing drivers' vision was trimmed.

Trustee Newman reported failure of the condenser in the 27-year old air conditioner at Village Hall. The unit was too old for replacement parts, so a new air conditioner was purchased at a cost of \$3,500. This was an unbudgeted expense. Also, landscaping rock was placed around plants at Village Hall, which was a budgeted expense.

Trustee Newman said he was still waiting to hear a confirmed schedule from Tri-City Electric for installation of the security cameras in Central Park.

A Finance Committee meeting was scheduled for 4 p.m. on July 11, 2012 at Village Hall.

Trustee Peterson said it was difficult to get grass to grow in Central Park in the extreme heat and drought.

President Cooper and Trustee Peterson will attend the second of four Hazard Mitigation meetings in Cambridge on July 12th.

No progress has been made obtaining sewer easements for the sanitary relief main route. Attorney John Ames needs information from Missman engineer Scott Kammerman so efforts aren't duplicated. Attorney Ames said he also needed to be in touch with Shawn Watson to work out an easement agreement to rectify a situation existing south of 12th Avenue near 13th Street where three sewer laterals are jointly connected, which is illegal. Lacking a phone number for Mr. Watson, President Cooper directed Clerk Sampson to write a letter requesting he contact the village.

President Cooper found out from an engineer from Golars, the company hired by the IEPA to perform the gas vapor investigation, it could take the IEPA 90 days to review

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documents provided on June 6th. The documents recommend off-site groundwater monitoring at Larson Body Shop, 109 11th Avenue and one other location. The monitoring is intended to complete delineation of groundwater impacts. The Golars rep said it was too early to tell where the fuel originated. Trustee Stiles said it was possible that contamination from sources other than the gas station/convenience store could be found. Trustee O'Leary said Sewer Supt. Chris Lundburg would contact Mr. Bob Harlow from the IEPA to request a timeline for payment of expenses reimbursable to the village.

Due to extreme heat, the Orion Fire Department will set up a sprinkler on the east side of Central Park on Tuesday, July 3rd, for children to play in. The water will run for about an hour. Main Street Orion is advertising the event on its website.

President Cooper asked the trustees for their opinions regarding a change in the Soapbox Derby on the Sunday of Orion Fall Festival weekend. The fire department had a concern about the event being in front of the fire station, but the board agreed event coordinators could vacate the area quickly enough to be out of the way before volunteer firefighters would be ready to get the trucks out in the event of an emergency. The event location will not be changed.

President Cooper informed the board of a route change for the 10K race to be held at the OFF. There were no objections to the change as long as adequate volunteer coverage was provided at all intersections.

Trustee Drucker said Mr. Jim Parry, 706 14th Avenue, expressed his appreciation to President Cooper, Water Supt. Arnie Sandberg, and Larson Pump Co. for their quick response to a water main break. Trustee Drucker also said Putnam County employees, who are performing work on the east water tower, were pleased with the knowledge and cooperation of Water Supt. Sandberg.

Water main flushing is behind schedule due to the early arrival of Putnam County.

After a lengthy discussion about the pros and cons of keeping the scrap metal resulting from the east tower project, the board decided the village should keep it versus letting someone else haul it away and reap the benefit of the scrap value. It was agreed the metal could be stored in the fenced storage area until enough had accumulated to haul to the scrap yard.

Though the board previously voted to require Putnam County to provide a performance bond for the east tower project, Trustee Drucker said information was received later that

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indicated the Village of Cambridge did not require Putnam to have a bond when working on its projects. Not requiring the bond would save the village about \$10,000. President Cooper said if the bond was waived, Attorney Ames felt inspections would be necessary along with a payment schedule behind the completed work. A performance bond would cover the remaining cost of the project if the contractor defaulted in some manner. Attorney Ames said the bond, if required, should exceed the amount of the bid because it would ultimately cost more for another contractor to come in and finish the job. It was unknown if the bond required by the bid packet met this condition. Attorney Ames will check with the bond provider to determine the dollar amount. It was moved by Lawson, seconded by Drucker to table the bond issue until further information can be obtained. Prior to the vote Trustee Stiles reminded the board that the village's engineer recommended the performance bond, but Trustee Drucker said he was in possession of an email from the engineer the seemed to indicate a performance bond wasn't necessary. The motion was called for a vote. Ayes: Stiles, Peterson, O'Leary, Newman, Lawson, and Drucker. Noes: None. Absent: None.

Trustee Drucker said inspections of the east tower were not covered in the Putnam bid but adequate village funds are available to cover \$6,000 to \$10,000 worth as recommended by Scott Kammerman from Missman, Inc. The inspections, if performed, would be done by Dixon Engineering at critical progress points. Water Supt. Sandberg objected to a lengthy process of inspections and asked the board to only require structural inspections. He said Putnam had done good work for the village in the past and should be trusted to do the same with the east tower. Supt. Sandberg feared the inspections would needlessly delay the contractor's progress. Trustee O'Leary disagreed and said inspections of the paint would be critical. Trustee Drucker said about nine inspections would be expected. It was moved by Drucker, seconded by Lawson to require inspections of the east water tower project to a level as recommended by Missman, Inc. at a cost between \$6,000 and \$10,000. Trustee Newman asked that the motion be amended to state "not to exceed \$10,000" to which Trustee Drucker agreed. Prior to a vote Supt. Sandberg reiterated his objection to the inspections. Ayes: Stiles, Peterson, O'Leary, Newman, Lawson, and Drucker. Noes: None. Absent: None.

There being no further business to come before the meeting, it was moved by Drucker, seconded by Lawson to adjourn. Ayes: Stiles, Peterson, O'Leary, Newman, Lawson, and Drucker. Noes: None. Absent: None.

Lori A. Sampson
Village Clerk

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