

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS
OF
VILLAGE BOARD

STATE OF ILLINOIS)
COUNTY OF HENRY)
VILLAGE OF ORION)

The regular meeting of the President and Board of Trustees was held at 7:30 p.m., June 18, 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 Peterson, seconded by O'Leary to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held June 4, 2012. Ayes: Stiles, Peterson, O'Leary, Newman, Lawson, and Drucker. Noes: None. Absent: None.

It was moved by Drucker, seconded by Lawson to approve the bills for the month: General Fund-\$37,902.18, General Deprec.-\$6,035.00, Recycle Collections-\$1,880.48, Water O&M-\$4,616.65, Water Deprec.-\$200.00, Water Cap. Improve.-\$488.83, Sewer O&M-\$10,194.40, Sewer Cap. Improve.-\$13,210.49, and Fines-\$110.89. Ayes: Stiles, Peterson, O'Leary, Newman, Lawson, and Drucker. Noes: None. Absent: None.

Trustee Lawson said the Orion Athletic Booster Club was looking for another site to hold its fundraiser, in lieu of holding it in Central Park. The alternate site is not in Orion and would not require board approval or a village liquor license. The board tabled the matter until definite plans could be made by the Booster Club.

Final plans were presented by Trustee O'Leary for the sewer relief main. The bulk of the sewer main can be placed within the existing easement area, but some new easements will be required. Scott Kammerman, Missman engineer, will provide plat information, and Village Attorney John Ames will draft the necessary legal documents. After easements are obtained, Trustees O'Leary and Drucker will approach BankORION about a loan, which is expected to be in the range of \$400,000. The board may set up an informational meeting with all affected property owners at some point in the future. Trustee O'Leary hoped bids could be sought by August of this year.

Trustee O'Leary presented Trustee Lawson with a sidewalk repair/replacement plan developed by the village clerk and deputy clerk. The plan included measurements, addresses, and photos. Trustee O'Leary thanked Clerk Sampson and Deputy Clerk Mizen for their efforts. Covered in the plan were the business district and the routes to Orion Middle School and Orion High School. Trustee Lawson said he would forward the plan to the street superintendent for implementation.

Trustee Lawson said curb at 13th Street and 14th Avenue A had been completed, and Clean-Up Week was nearing completion. Cleaning of ditches and culvert installation are on the upcoming schedule.

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Water Superintendent Arnie Sandberg will be flushing hydrants next week. The board agreed the old generator could be scraped, since there were no parties interested in purchasing it and it was no longer of any use to the village.

Trustee Drucker asked the board to consider allowing him to negotiate with Putnam County Painting to paint and maintain the east water tower. He said only two bids were received for the project and both bids far exceeded the estimate, the budgeted amount, and the amount the village could afford to pay. Putnam County indicated they could most likely perform the work for \$237,700 plus an additional \$10,000 for a performance bond, if required. Riser pipe, associated insulation, and engineering fees would increase the total cost to approximately \$256,700. Discussion was held about the requirement of a performance bond, and Attorney Ames felt it was a good idea to require one, even though the village had prior experience with the contractor. Mr. Scott Kammerman said Putnam County requested a bid packet when the project was advertised but could not meet the deadline due to another obligation in the state of New York. That obligation recently fell through, freeing up time for Putnam County to perform the village's work, beginning in as little as two weeks, if the village awards the job to them. Inspection services were discussed and Trustee Drucker said some inspections may be required at certain points in the project. This would be added expense. It was moved by Drucker, seconded by O'Leary to negotiate with Putnam County Painting for the maintenance and painting of the interior and exterior of the east water tower as outlined in bid specifications for the project, including the requirement of a performance bond, except that the village will purchase and provide the riser pipe material and associated insulation. Ayes: Stiles, Peterson, O'Leary, Newman, Lawson, and Drucker. Noes: None. Absent: None.

Trustee Drucker said a water main break occurred at 706 14th Ave. last week and was taken care of promptly by the water superintendent. A boil order was temporarily in effect. Due to the water that ran down the street during the main break, it was noted that the ditches didn't drain properly, causing water to flow in the basement at Roy Riedesel's residence, 1328 7th St. The board asked that the street department rectify the drainage situation.

Trustee Newman said the park superintendent would move the band shell extensions to Central Park prior to Main Street Orion's first concert event on June 20th. He also said the tornado sirens were found to be operating correctly during the last test day.

It was moved by Drucker, seconded by Newman to hire Tom Engelmann to perform the village's FY2012 audit at a cost of \$5,550.00. Ayes: Stiles, Peterson, O'Leary, Newman, Lawson, and Drucker. Noes: None. Absent: None.

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Trustee Peterson said trees had been trimmed in Love Park and a lens was ordered for a broken light at the ball diamond. Butch Cook was contracted to level the ditch in Central Park.

Trustee Peterson asked that Clerk Sampson be given permission to purchase a battery operated hedge trimmer to use at Village Hall for trimming the bushes. Permission was given to do so, and Clerk Sampson was asked to purchase a dehumidifier for the Village Hall basement as well.

Clerk Sampson said a Hazard Communication Program was developed and Hazard Assessments were performed by each public works department. The village was cited by the Illinois Department of Labor for the two issues. Clerk Sampson said required annual safety training is scheduled for July 31st and will be conducted by personnel employed by the Illinois Municipal League Risk Management Association. The training is free, and other nearby IMLRMA members may be invited to participate. Training is expected to take 3-3.5 hours. Classroom training will be in the basement of Village Hall.

President Cooper asked the board to consider some changes in the liquor license application form currently in use. He said Coal Valley asks for more information from its applicants and has the police department do background checks. Trustee Stiles asked that the board also consider changing the hours of liquor sales on Sunday. Sunday sales cannot start until noon. Trustee Stiles says the rule just forces people to go to neighboring communities to make their purchases, resulting in a loss of tax revenue for the village.

President Cooper said the new Tennant Truck Lines facility opened in Colona and the owners invited anyone interested in a tour to stop by. The business used to be located just outside Orion village limits but the current location is nearer to Interstate 80 access and more convenient for the trucking business.

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

Lori A. Sampson
Village Clerk

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