

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 4, 2012, at the Village Hall, 1202 4th Street, Orion, Henry, Illinois. The following members were present: Cooper, Peterson, O'Leary, and Newman. Absent: Stiles, Lawson, and Drucker.

President Cooper called the meeting to order and led the board in the Pledge of Allegiance. He said Trustee Drucker was on vacation but he had not heard from Trustees Lawson and Stiles.

It was moved by Peterson, seconded by O'Leary to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held May 21, 2012 and the emergency meeting held May 23, 2012. Ayes: Peterson, O'Leary, and Newman. Noes: None. Absent: Stiles, Lawson, and Drucker.

Tammy Larson, representing the Orion Athletic Booster Club, told the board the group plans to move forward with a fundraiser in Central Park. The event will be held September 16th with a rain date of October 6th. The park will be cordoned off and tickets will be sold for the event where food and music will be provided. The event will run from 7-11 p.m., and the Booster Club plans to sell alcoholic beverages. Police officers will be hired to patrol the park. President Cooper asked Mrs. Larson to firm up all details and return to the June 18th meeting to gain formal approval from the village board to obtain use of the park and a liquor license.

President Cooper thanked the board for their contributions of cards, flowers, and memorials after the death of his mother.

Trustee Peterson said Walton Tree Service would be doing tree work in one of the parks, and a broken bulb at the baseball diamond in Love Park needed to be replaced. Also, Central Park's picnic shelter roof was re-shingled along with repair of a broken truss and replacement of some rotted plywood.

President Cooper thanked Trustee Peterson for all of his efforts to beautify the parks and for removing flags, mowing, and replacing flags in Central Park prior to a planned Memorial Day weekend ceremony. Trustee Peterson's wife helped with the flag removal/replacement as well.

Trustee O'Leary, Sewer Superintendent Chris Lundburg, and Missman engineer Scott Kammerman walked the route of the proposed sewer relief main, making minor changes along the way. Changes were made to avoid cutting down trees and requiring a swimming pool to be moved. Trustee O'Leary asked that all changes be mapped and a new cost estimate made available prior to the next village board meeting. The project is expected to be advertised for bids in the near future.

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Trustee O'Leary said a new Flygt pump was installed in the Prairie Knoll lift station.

President Cooper said the 14th Ave. A and 13th St. curb project had been completed with the exception of dressing up the area around the curb.

Clerk Sampson said she wrote letters to the Illinois Department of Transportation and Bi-State Regional Commission notifying them of the village's decision to cancel the streetscape project and turn down ITEP grant funds. She also had a conversation with Denise Bulat from Bi-State who said she had been hearing rumblings from other communities about the stricter interpretations of the Americans with Disabilities Act and its financial implications.

It was moved by O'Leary, seconded by Peterson to reject the bids received for painting the east water tower. Ayes: Peterson, O'Leary, and Newman. Noes: None. Absent: Stiles, Lawson, and Drucker.

President Cooper said Trustee Drucker would present options to the board at the next meeting in regard to proceeding with the water tower painting. Clerk Sampson will notify Missman, Inc. about the board's vote to reject the bids opened on May 24th, which exceeded the engineer's estimate.

Conduit was installed for the Central Park security camera system, according to Trustee Newman. The ditch dug for the conduit will be allowed to settle, after which finish landscaping will be performed. Installation of the cameras will most likely be done near the end of June. Trustee Newman will require all who receive live feed from the cameras to sign a nondisclosure agreement. The privacy of captured video must be ensured.

Trustee Newman asked Clerk Sampson to note if the tornado sirens worked properly during the next day's scheduled test.

The Finance Committee meeting was set for June 13th at 4 p.m. at Village Hall.

It was moved by Peterson, seconded by Newman to adopt Ordinance #2012-2, Appropriations for FY2013 totaling \$3,609,700. Ayes: Peterson, O'Leary, and Newman. Noes: None. Absent: Stiles, Lawson, and Drucker.

President Cooper said someone approached him about creating more parking along 16th Street for those attending baseball games. The board stood firm on a prior decision to not allow any additional parking in that area due to the narrow width of the street and the problems it previously created for Orion Tool, Die & Machine Co.

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It was moved by Peterson, seconded by Newman to adopt Ordinance #2012-3, Prevailing Wage Rates. Ayes: Peterson, O'Leary, and Newman. Noes: None. Absent: Stiles, Lawson, and Drucker.

President Cooper said Tennant Truck Lines had moved their business from Orion to Colona. He said the loss of the business would have a detrimental effect on restaurants and Orion's two convenience stores, but he wished the owners well, understanding that they made the best decision for the success of their business. President Cooper felt the owners were making a concentrated effort to find a business to fill the property they vacated in Orion.

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

Lori A. Sampson
Village Clerk

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