

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., January 4, 2017, at Village Hall, 1202 4<sup>th</sup> Street, Orion, Henry, Illinois. The following members were present: Cooper, Peterson, Mitton, Lawson, Hancock, and Drucker. Absent: Newman.

President Cooper led the board in the Pledge of Allegiance. Trustee Newman was absent due to job responsibilities.

It was moved by Drucker, seconded by Hancock to approve the minutes of the meeting held December 19, 2016. Ayes: Peterson, Mitton, Lawson, Hancock, and Drucker. Noes: None. Absent: Newman.

The Christmas tree in Central Park will be dismantled and stored away on January 15<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 p.m. Volunteers are needed.

The next Finance Committee meeting will be held at Village Hall on January 18, 2017 at 4 p.m.

Sewer Supt. Chris Lundburg will meet with a contractor to look at repairs to the walls, ceiling, and doors in the filter building.

President Cooper talked with Scott Kammerman of Missman, Inc. regarding the repairs to field tile related to the most recent sewer relief main project. A small portion of the tile was deemed to be crushed and possibly the fault of the contractor hired by the village. The cost to repair that portion was \$354.49, for which Mr. Kammerman felt Missman would accept responsibility. Missman will formally respond at a later date. Grading in the area of the field tile repair will be done in the spring and paid for by the village. All but \$180 of the property owners' share of repairs has been paid.

Trustee Peterson said Pastor Dave Schultz, 1401 6<sup>th</sup> Street A, wants the area near his driveway addressed. Storm water flow causes erosion, allowing gravel to flow onto his property. The street superintendent felt a street overlay might be warranted in that area. He will look at it when the weather warms up.

Trustee Drucker said the water superintendent was on vacation but had things in the water department in order prior to leaving. A plan was in place in the event of an emergency.

Trustee Peterson said the emergency sirens did not sound in November, December, or January. It was unknown if the problem was due to the village's equipment or Henry County's equipment. Trustee Mitton will confer with Henry County Deputy Chad Baze to determine who is responsible for resolving the problem.

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The minutes of January 4, 2017 continued:

President Cooper said a letter was received from the Office of the Attorney General regarding a complaint about the curb ramp on 4<sup>th</sup> Street, in front of the post office. It alleges the curb ramp and adjoining accessible parking space are designed in such a way that the ramp is blocked by a parked vehicle. The village has until April 30, 2017 to bring the ramp into compliance. Accessible parking regulations included with the letter seemed to apply only to off-street parking. President Cooper said, in light of state regulations, the village board would need to take care when approving future accessible spaces.

It was noted a vehicle had been parked on 8<sup>th</sup> Street in the Wilson Subdivision for months, and it is in disrepair. The village has street storage and junk vehicle regulations, which will be noted in a letter to be sent to the owner.

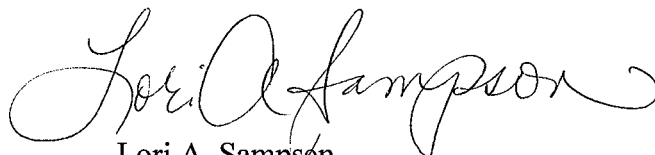
Village Attorney John Ames said Larry Vandersnick, attorney for Ms. Patti Hardi, wrote a letter to the village asking how to obtain a kennel license for his client. Attorney Ames said zoning at Hardi's address does not comply with a kennel license, and the owner of the property would first need to obtain a state license. Trustee Mitton expressed his disappointment with State Attorney Matt Schutte for allowing Ms. Hardi to harbor any animals after her court convictions. Ayes: Peterson, Mitton, Lawson, Hancock, and Drucker. Noes: None. Absent: Newman.

It was moved by Drucker, seconded by Lawson to approve Resolution #1617-3 to open executive session minutes dated May 16, 2016. Ayes: Peterson, Mitton, Lawson, Hancock, and Drucker. Noes: None. Absent: Newman.

President Cooper said he would be out of town in the near future. President Pro-Tem Drucker can be contacted during that time.

President Cooper had a request from Mr. Russ Woodley, owner of Woo Dog's Pub & Grub, to consider his establishment in the future for the village's Christmas dinner.

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



Lori A. Sampson  
Village Clerk