

VILLAGE OF MACKINAW

PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

MARCH 28, 2011

Village President Craig Friend called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.
This was a regularly scheduled meeting of the Village of Mackinaw.

I. ROLL CALL

Present: Village President Craig Friend and Trustees Mike DeChaney, Carolyn Elmore, Tom Goings, Jerry Peterson, Lynn Rudin, and Jesse Watkins (arrived at 7:47 p.m.)

Also Present: Chief of Police Gary Hartzell, Deputy Chief of Police Bob Davies, Village Clerk/Collector Lisa Spencer, Attorney Mark McGrath, Attorney Pat McGrath, Village Treasurer Scott Eidenmiller, and Public Works Manager Mike Schopp

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

III. CONSENT AGENDA: The consent agenda consists of approving the meeting minutes of March 14, 2011, Public Works reports, Treasurer's financial reports and recurring disbursements.

Trustee Peterson moved, seconded by Trustee Goings to approve all consent agenda items as submitted. On a roll call, the vote was:

AYES: 5 – Trustees DeChaney, Elmore, Goings, Peterson, and Rudin

NAYS: 0

ABSENT: 1 – Trustee Watkins

There being five affirmative votes, the **motion carried.**

IV. DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

A. POLICE REPORT: Chief Hartzell and Deputy Chief Davies reported on the activities of the police department.

B. PUBLIC WORKS: Public Works Manager Schopp reported on the activities of the public works department. (report on file)

Public Works Manager Schopp reported that the Village has been approved to receive a mosquito abatement grant in the amount of \$601.00 from the Tazewell County Health Department.

Lease agreement with Cross Implement - Trustee Goings moved, seconded by Trustee Elmore for the Village to enter into a lease agreement with Cross Implement Inc. to lease equipment for the 2011 season and authorize to have the Village President sign the agreement on behalf of the Village. The lease agreement includes - two zero turn mowers at a cost of \$1700.00 each, one John Deere XUV Gator with dump kit at a cost of \$1800.00, and a John Deere 4320 48hp utility tractor at a cost of \$2900.00. On a roll, the vote was:

AYES: 5 – Trustees DeChaney, Elmore, Goings, Peterson, and Rudin

NAYS: 0

ABSENT: 1 – Trustee Watkins

There being five affirmative votes, the **motion carried.**

V. PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

Parking on Orchard Street – President Friend tabled this item until the next regularly schedule meeting to allow him the opportunity to discuss this matter with the Hopedale Medical Complex.

Tazewell County digital photo - President Friend presented the Board with a cost estimate and a joint funding agreement regarding high resolution photos aerial photos of the Village. President Friend tabled this matter until a complete contract from Tazewell County is received for review.

Purchase of a digital projector – President Friend tabled this item until a later meeting.

Spring clean up day – Trustee Rudin moved, seconded by Trustee Elmore to hire Ben Neville Trucking to pick waste for spring clean up day in the Village on May 23, 2011 and to advertise the details of spring clean up day in the Area Buyers Guide. On a roll call, the vote was:

AYES: 5 – Trustees DeChaney, Elmore, Goings, Peterson, and Rudin

NAYS: 0

ABSENT: 1 – Trustee Watkins

There being five affirmative votes, the **motion carried**

IL American Water – IL American Water sent the Board a letter asking to schedule a meeting to explain the benefits of them acquiring the Village's water/sewer system.

Trustee Elmore moved, seconded by Trustee Goings to decline the offer presented by IL American Water. On a roll call, the vote was:

AYES: 5 – Trustees DeChaney, Elmore, Goings, Peterson, and Rudin

NAYS: 0

ABSENT: 1 – Trustee Watkins

There being five affirmative votes, the **motion carried**

VI. TRUSTEES REPORT:

Water/sewer rates - Trustee Goings discussed water and sewer rates for the Village and asked the Board for ideas to simplify the rates and possibly establishing a rate relief. This matter will be discussed at a later Board meeting.

Trustee Watkins arrived at 7:47p.m. - Due to a fire department call Trustee Watkins was late to this meeting.

VII. VILLAGE ATTORNEY'S REPORT:

Attorney's hourly rates – Attorney McGrath explain his letter to the Board stating that the hourly rate for legal services and the charge to attend meetings will increase by \$10.00 effective May 1, 2011.

Trustee Goings moved, seconded by Trustee Elmore to approve McGrath Law Office's hourly rate increase for legal services and charge increase to attend meetings effective May 1, 2011. On a roll call, the vote was:

AYES: 6 – Trustees DeChaney, Elmore, Goings, Peterson, Rudin, and Watkins

NAYS: 0

ABSENT: 0

There being six affirmative votes, the **motion carried**

VIII. DEPARTMENT REPORTS CONTINUED:

A. TREASURER'S REPORT:

Non-Recurring Disbursements- Trustee Goings moved, seconded by Trustee Rudin to approve the non-recurring disbursements. On a roll call, the vote was:

AYES: 6 – Trustees DeChaney, Elmore, Goings, Peterson, Rudin, and Watkins

NAYS: 0

ABSENT: 0

There being six affirmative votes, the **motion carried.**

Tri-County Regional Planning Commission to update the Village's comprehensive plan - Treasurer Eidenmiller discussed a quote from Tri-County Regional Planning Commission to update the Village's current comprehensive plan that was completed in 2000. The Board asked him if any others companies offer this service so that a price comparison may be done. Treasurer Eidenmiller will research this matter and bring his findings back to the Board at the next regularly scheduled meeting.

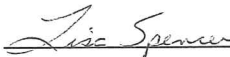
Employee compensation – Treasurer Eidenmiller presented to the Board a memo regarding establishing an early retirement policy and pay scale for water/sewer licenses. He also presented a proposed rate increase for employees. He asked to table this matter to allow the Board time to review the information presented.

IX. NEW BUSINESS:

Gravel road at water tower - Trustee Watkins informed that Board that the Fire Department will cover with the cost of installing a gravel road at the tower to assist when filling their trucks at that hydrant. This will be placed on the April 11, 2011 agenda for consideration and action.

VII. ADJOURNMENT @ 8:29 P.M.: There being no further business to come before the Board, Trustee Goings moved, seconded by Trustee Rudin to adjourn, **motion carried.**

I, Lisa Spencer, Village Clerk/Collector of the Village of Mackinaw, Illinois do hereby certify that the foregoing minutes are a true and correct copy of the regular meeting held on the above date, as the same appears on the records of the Village now in my custody and keeping.



Lisa Spencer, Village Clerk/Collector Posted: 4/12/11