

Village of Pecatonica Regular Board Meeting
Tuesday, September 17, 2024, at 6:00 p.m.
Village Hall 405 Main Street. Pecatonica, Illinois

1. **Call to Order** – President Tom Heister called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, September 17, 2024, at Village Hall.
2. There was a Roll Call taken Trustees Bill Determan, Cheryl Bean, Tom Gipe, Kim Gipe, Collin Hardy and Gerald Howard were present.

Also present: Nick Berry, Treasurer Sherry Bessert, Chief Matt Summers, Engineer Jason Stoll, Village Clerk Darla Stram, and Dave Kurlinkus.
3. **Silent moment observed.**
4. **The Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag was recited**
5. **A quorum was present.**
6. **Approve September 5, 2024, Regular Board Meeting Minutes**

A motion was made by Trustee Determan and seconded by Trustee Howard to approve the September 5, 2024, Regular Board Meeting Minutes. No discussion. A roll call vote was taken. Trustees' Bean, Kim Gipe, Tom Gipe, and Hardy voted yes. Motion approved 6-0-0.
7. **Additions/Corrections to the Agenda- none**
8. **Approval of Agenda -**

A motion was made by Trustee Hardy and seconded by Trustee Howard to approve the agenda. No discussion. A roll call vote was taken. All Trustees present approved. Motion approved 6-0-0.
9. **Call to the Public** – Marilyn Wilke discussed her concerns with accountability to our taxpayers. As well as assurance to our taxpayers.

Agenda Items

A. Village President

1. Lead Line Service Discussion

Discussion regarding the additional cost for the copper lines (\$874). Trustee Howard discussed the contract that we have with the IEPA. IEPA will not put the homeowners in danger. The bid process entitles the homeowner to put the approved plastic in for free for the homeowner. If the customer declines the plastic, the village still needs to go to the buffalo box and then it would be the homeowners' responsibility. Continued to next public works meeting.

2. Marjory Herbig to discuss the village's policy regarding employment.

Marjory spoke with Tom regarding the resumes turned in for the administrative assistant position. Marjory was concerned that the village did not follow the Equal Employment Opportunity Guidelines.

3. Approve the reappointment of Fehr Graham as Village Engineer.

A Motion was made by Trustee Determan and seconded by Trustee K Gipe to approve the reappointment of Fehr Graham. No Discussion. A roll call vote was taken. Trustees Hardy, Howard, and bean approved. Tom Gipe abstained. 5-0-1.

B. Unfinished Business – None

C. New Business – None

D. Legal (Attorney Kurlinkus)- None

E. Finance – Bill Determan, Chairman

1. **Next Meeting:** Tuesday, October 8, 2024, at 6:00 p.m.

a. Employee Handbook

2. **Chairman's Report**

F. Planning Commission / Zoning Board

1. **Next Meeting:** Tuesday, October 22, 2024, at 6:00 p.m.

G. Public Works – Tom Gipe, Chairman

1. **Next Meeting** – Monday, October 7, 2024, at 6:00 p.m.

a. Special Meeting potentially on September 23, 2024

2. **Chairman's Report –**

3. **Public Works Report –**

Discussion of water main break on Friday near Reed St. No boil order needed. Able to isolate the problem.

4. **Engineer's Report-** Lead service line replacement previously discussed. Jason thanked the board for the reappointment of Fehr Graham. Tom Gipe questioned the warranties on the upcoming repairs. Jason will keep us posted on what he is able to do regarding the warranty.

5. Discussion and approve Spill Containment System for each Well House not to exceed \$8,000.

Nick discussed the quote. The current system needed upgrade due to changes in requirements. Switching over to a scaled system measured by an overhead sonar. Trustee Howard made a motion to approve the Spill containment System. Trustee Kim Gipe seconded. A roll Call vote was taken. All present trustees approved.

6. Approval of Well 3 Change Order Request-Culvert Pipe Installation in the amount of \$11,359.00

Jason asked for this to be tabled. Jason to talk to Nick and Bennet to obtain more information on the amended quote. He would like to have more information available to discuss at the special public works meeting.

H. Public Safety – Gerald Howard, Chairman

1. **Next Meeting** – Wednesday, October 2, 2024, at 6:00 p.m.

2. **Chairman’s Report - None**

3. **Police Department Report**

Chief Summers discussed plans for license plate readers. Bids for the truck are due September 27, 2024. We have currently received one bid for the truck.

I. Economic Development Committee – Collin Hardy, Chairman

1. **Next Meeting:** Monday, October 21, 2024, at 6:00 p.m.

2. **Chairman’s Report- None**

J. Treasurer (Sherry Bessert)

A motion was made by Trustee Hardy and seconded by Trustee Howard to approve Warrant List #18 in the amount of \$28,817.42. No discussion. A roll call vote was taken. All present vote yes. Motion approved 6-0-0.

A motion was made by Trustee Howard and seconded by Trustee Bean to approve Payroll in the amount of \$28,691.91 for Period Ending September 8, 2024. No discussion. A roll call vote was taken. All Trustees present voted yes. Motion approved 6-0-0

K. Clerk’s Items – Darla has been in touch with the Winnebago County Clerk’s office regarding the upcoming election and plans to go there for assistance with the ballot packets.

L. Executive Session

None

M. Action on Items Arising Out of Executive Session –

None

N. Adjournment

A motion was made by Trustee Kim Gipe and seconded by Trustee Tom Gipe to adjourn the meeting. No discussion. A roll call vote was taken. All Trustees present voted yes. Motion approved 6-0-0. The meeting was adjourned at 7:18 p.m.