

BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Village of Brighton Board Meeting

206 S. Main

Brighton, IL 62012

Monday, April 1, 2019 7:00 PM

1. Pledge of Allegiance:
2. Roll Call: Mayor Mike Roberts called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. Present Trustees- Kent Scheffel, John Bramley, Chris Seniker, Paige Beilsmith, Marcella Wilfong, and Fred Benz. Also, present Cynthia Tucker Village Clerk, Public Works Manager Kaleb Kahl, Police Chief Mark Fitzgerald, and Attorney Robert Watson. Absent: Laura Doll Treasurer.
3. Minutes and Approval: Kent Scheffel made a motion to approve the minutes from 03/04/19 and place them on file, 2nd by Chris Seniker. By Voice Vote, Motion Carried. John Bramley made a motion to approve the minutes from 03/11/19 Special Meeting and place them on file, 2nd by Marcella Wilfong. By Voice Vote, Motion Carried.
4. Matters of Recognition: Mike Roberts choose three individuals for Citizen of the Month for the Village of Brighton. This month these three individuals are internal and on our Village Board. Paige Beilsmith, Kent Scheffel and Chris Seniker have served our board respectfully and with honor and dignity working hard to do a great job serving the residents of the Village of Brighton. All three have decided not to run in the upcoming election due to other things taking more of their time, however, we all appreciate all their time and effort they have contributed to the Village. Paige Beilsmith is the Chairperson of the Economic Committee, and a member of the Finance Committee, Ordinance Committee, Park Committee, and Sesquicentennial Committee. Kent Scheffel is the Chairman of the Planning Committee, Policy Manual Committee, and Public Works Committee and a member of the Finance Committee, Ordinance Committee, and the Sesquicentennial Committee. Chris Seniker is the Chairman of the Public Safety Committee and a member of the Finance Committee, Public Works Committee, Sesquicentennial Committee, and the Ordinance Committee. All three of these Board Members will be greatly missed. The Economic Committee has nominated Little Italy's Pizza and Watts Barber Shop for Businesses of the Month. Little Italy's Pizza is located at 114 N. Main, Brighton, 372-8800, open Sunday-Thursday, 4- 8:30 pm; Saturday and Sunday, 4 -9:30 pm. Owners are Mike, Kathy and Craig Moreland. Operated as a corporation, the Moreland's have dedicated themselves to serving great-tasting pizzas, subs and appetizers at a good price with superb customer service. Mike and Kathy met as teenagers working at her dad's pizza place, Angelo's, in Springfield, so pizza was "always in their DNA". Fast-forward 20 years, Mike lost his job when the Pillsbury plant in Springfield closed and moved to Tennessee. "So, we decided to go back to what we knew." They took the Angelos' recipes and opened a store in Staunton. Following its success, they opened stores in Carlinville, Chatham, Mt. Olive and Brighton. Next year, they will be celebrating their 25th year in the business. The challenges in operating a business in the State of Illinois is that "We know our customers are all on a budget, and the challenge is to keep prices down, while absorbing cost increases." "What we won't compromise on, is product. We are committed to using high-quality ingredients in all of our products." Future plans are to possibly look into some other locations, including dine-in. The Moreland's have 36 total employees; eight in Brighton: Amanda Pellegrino, manager; Amanda Dublo, assistant manager, Diana Watson, Doug Sheets, Mitch Anderson, Robb

Merritt, Riley Fiene, Deanna Stahlschmidt. "Our crew does a great job, and they are a big reason we continue to be successful." They have decided to run a 'Business of the Month' special for April- a large specialty pizza for \$11.99, a savings of \$4. Watts Barber Shop, Inc., an 'S' corporation is owned by Roger Watts. He has been cutting hair for 45 years, the longest continuous barber in town. He is open at his shop, located at 204 North Street, Brighton, Wednesday-Friday, 8:30 am-5; Saturday-8:30 am-3 pm. He is closed on Sundays. Watts Barber Shop is a familiar destination for many in the area, where there is agreeable conversation and a satisfactory haircut. Roger started thinking about his life's work during high school. He listened to what his older brothers were saying about their jobs. Many of them were shift workers, and talked about troubles with their shifts, the job politics, and seniority difficulties, with guys coming back from the war reclaiming their jobs. Roger wasn't sure that shift work was what he wanted to do. His mother suggested that Roger take up barbering, like her brother Abe Williams. Watts enrolled in Springfield Barber College in 1963. Training consisted of 1,850 hours of training, state exams apprenticeship for 2 ½ years, then a final master barber test. Watts passed and keeps up his license. Watts started his barbering career in September 1964, working in Godfrey with shop owner, Everett Auer. Watts was the third man in the three-man operation. Watts did take a couple of years away from the business, with a stint in the Navy. He served in San Diego and a tour in Vietnam. Watts got the opportunity in 1974 to buy his Uncle Abe William's shop in Brighton when Williams retired. The best thing about the job is that everyone's hair is different, it's not like being on a production line where you learn one routine and do it." He explained, "The good Lord made everyone's hair come out of their head a little differently, and that is a challenge." He further explained that with the variety of hair, there are different ways to cut it. "You learn how people want it, and how to do it, but the best thing about the job is meeting a lot of people." Watts didn't think that there have been many changes over the years. "There has been a cycle of haircuts. When I came back from the service in '68, the long hairstyles were starting. If barbers wouldn't adjust or couldn't adjust to the new styles, they lost a lot of customers to hair styling shops. Roger's future plans are to continue barbering for a few more years, "then find a young man like I was, and let him take over in the next two to three years. There are still plenty of people in Brighton that need a haircut."

5. Treasurers Reports (Village and Water): Kent Scheffel made a motion to approve the report and place the report on file, 2nd by Marcella Wilfong. Roll Call: 6 Yeas; 0 Nays; Motion Carried 6-0.
6. Review Bills and Approval: Kent Scheffel made a motion to approve the bills and charge the appropriate accounts, 2nd by Fred Benz. Roll Call: 6 Yeas; 0 Nays; Motion Carried 6-0.
7. Hours by Employees: Information purpose only
8. Audience Comment: First Bank representatives Kim Weishaupt, Sharon Cameron, and Tammy Shaffer spoke about needing an ATM in Brighton as their old bank building sold and they still have many customers from Brighton. They were all three saddened about the closing as being residents. They gave some information about having a smart ATM that would even print statements. They will get more details and bring the info back to the board. James Harrop spoke about the severe dog bite on St. Patrick's Day with a dog that has bit before and believes the county should have not returned the dog home. Mark Fitzgerald said he would check into this situation with the county. James Harrop is also interested in the property owned by the village on Center Street. Bob Watson will get an appraisal and other items finished before the land can be sold.
9. Correspondence: None
10. **Committee Reports:**
 - A. **Clerk Committee- 03/13/19 No Meeting Held**

- B. **Public Works Committee**-03/25/19, Kent Scheffel made a motion to accept and place the minutes on file, 2nd by John Bramley. By Voice Vote, Motion Carried.
 - C. **Economic Committee** – 03/05/19 No Quorum
 - D. **Park Committee** - 03/14/19, John Bramley made a motion to approve the Park Committee Minutes and place them on file, 2nd by Paige Beilsmith. By Voice Vote, Motion Carried.
 - E. **Planning Commission**- 03/20/19 No Meeting Held
 - F. **Public Safety Committee** 03/18/19, Chris Seniker made a motion to approve the Public Safety Committee Minutes and place them on file, 2nd by Kent Scheffel. By Voice Vote, Motion Carried.
 - G. **Zoning Committee:** 03/27/19, Fred Benz made a motion to approve the rescheduled regular meeting minutes and place them on file, 2nd by John Bramley. By Voice Vote, Motion Carried. Fred Benz made a motion to approve the Zoning Hearing minutes from 03/27/19 and place them on file, 2nd by Marcella Wilfong. By Voice Vote, Motion Carried. John Bramley made a motion to approve the Special Use Zoning Permit for North Market St., 2nd by Marcella Wilfong. Roll Call: 6 Yeas; 0 Nays. Motion Carried 6-0.
 - H. **Sesquicentennial Committee:** 03/12/19, Chris Seniker made a motion to approve the Sesquicentennial Committee Minutes and place them on file, 2nd by Marcella Wilfong. By Voice Vote, Motion Carried.
 - I. **Ordinance Committee:** No Meeting Held
 - J. **Policy Manual Committee:** The Committee will bring back to the next meeting.
 - K. **Closed Session Examination Committee:** No Meeting
11. **Old Business:** Chris Seniker spoke about the Global Tech billing statement for the police radios as he did not have anything resolved on the double billing. He asked Mike Roberts to try to get something resolved or if not, maybe Robert Watson could help on this.
12. **New Business:**
- Chris Seniker made a motion to approve the First Bank ATM request with approval of location and terms, 2nd by John Bramley. Roll Call: 6 Yeas; 0 Nays; Motion Carried 6-0.
13. **Executive Session:** None
14. **Problems:** None
15. **Adjournment:** Paige Beilsmith made a motion to adjourn at 7:46 p.m., 2nd by Fred Benz. Meeting Adjourned.

Minutes Submitted by Village Clerk, Cynthia Tucker



Cynthia M. Tucker