

November 1, 1999
Brighton, Illinois

Village Board of Trustees met on November 1, 1999 at 7:00 p.m. Meeting was called to order by Mayor William Oertel.

Roll Call

Present: Ford – Lucas – Tandy – Farmer – Cunningham

Absent: Clark

Also present: Attorney Watson – Chief Stewart – Dan Pilkington, EMC Mgr.

Visitors: Joe Rister – LuAnn Woody – Steve Davis – Rosemary Mintert – Pat Towell – Shirley Oertel – Fred and Marge Benz – Students from SW American History Class – Stacy Johnston – Kim Bosomworth – Sarah Thaxton – Amanda Stutz – Ollie Brown – Holly Naylor – Neely Kipling

Minutes of the October 4, 1999 meeting were reviewed. Motion was made by Cunningham, seconded by Tandy to accept the minutes as presented. Voice vote carried unanimously.

Treasurers report was reviewed.

General-----	\$ 40,028.92
General CD-----	116,166.46
Street CD (Brown St.)-----	51,748.34
Special Police-----	1,267.62
Hunting & Fishing-----	362.41
IMRF-----	29,621.99
Social Security-----	14,137.19
Police-----	7,825.35
Street-----	40,518.91
Unemployment Insurance--	46,593.30
ESDA-----	6,135.97
Audit-----	2,668.13
Tort-----	19,287.51
Park-----	6,834.82
Library-----	22,163.83
Motor Fuel-----	89,985.21

Motion was made by Farmer, seconded by Lucas to accept the treasurers report as presented. Voice vote carried unanimously.

Visitors – John Farmer thanked the Village Board for the fruit basket and to all who sent cards and came to visit after his surgery.

Correspondence

MFT - \$ 4,169.14

MUT - \$ 10,535.98

Illinois Municipal League – Insurance premium for the year 2000 - \$17,846.00. They are offering the Village a two-year rate guarantee and a 2% discount for early renewal. The rate is guaranteed not to increase, but it is not a price guarantee. Exposure changes, such as increases in payroll or property, may necessitate an increase in contribution. The 2% early renewal can be deducted if the payment is received by 11/22/99. Motion was

made by Farmer, seconded by Tandy to return the card that the Village wants the rate guarantee and pay the premium by 11/22/99. Roll call vote carried unanimously.

Walter S. Ahlemeyer requesting the railroad ditch that runs along his insurance business on S. Maple Street be cleaned out. This has been referred to the Public Works Dept. and they have already made plans to have this done.

Illinois Environmental Protection Agency informing the Village that the wastewater facility has been nominated for an award for "Best Operated Wastewater Treatment Works" to be presented by the Illinois Association of Water Pollution Control Operators during their annual conference on April 24-27, 2000. This award is presented in each of five categories, with the categories being separated according to facility size and treatment process type. Brighton's facility has been nominated in the Group 2 category. The Brighton facility was one of only four nominated from the 300 Group 2 facilities considered statewide. The nominees for the Group 2 "Best Operated Wastewater Treatment Works" are:

City of Brighton
Sheridan Sanitary District -
Unnoted State Penitentiary - Marion
Citizens Utilities - Arbury Water Reclamation Facility

When the inspection was done by the IEPA they were very pleased overall with the treatment plant.

Sheppard, Morgan & Schwaab - Mike Cavanaugh of West Central Illinois Valley Regional Planning Commission informed them that the bids received and approved by the Board on the Georgene Acres/Twin Acres Sanitary Sewer Improvements project would have to be rejected. This is due to the fact that the prevailing wage rates, as well as the CDAP front-end documents were not included in the bid documents.

Sheppard is requesting that the Village reject all bids and authorize their firm to re-bid the project. It is anticipated that the new bid opening would be Nov. 17th, with bid results being presented to the Committee on Nov. 29th and to the Village Board on Dec. 6th. Motion was made by Cunningham, seconded by Lucas to reject all bids. Roll call vote carried unanimously. Motion was made by Farmer, seconded by Lucas for Sheppard, Morgan & Schwaab engineering firm to re-bid the project. Roll call vote carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Tandy, seconded by Lucas to place the correspondence on file. Voice vote carried unanimously.

Bills - Motion was made by Ford, seconded by Tandy to pay the bills and charge to the proper accounts. Roll call vote carried unanimously.

Pepsi Cola		\$ 123.25
Tiger Cleaning	hall - contract	800.00
Metro Supply	hall	165.77
Illinois Power	city	291.92
Illinois Power	water & sewer - reimbursed by EMC	2,516.45
Illinois Power	street lights & signals	1,350.95
Brighton Water	hall	33.47
Environmental Management Corp.	contract	6,838.49
Emons Printing	office - stationary & envelopes	109.25
NEBS	office - w-2's	85.50
Ameritech	clerk	36.31
Williams Office	clerk - printer inkjets	283.95
Robert Sanders	hall	33.00

Clean Uniform Service	hall	\$ 101.74
Shipman Elevator	gas	606.23
M.J.M. Electric	street lights	40.25
Central Management Service	health insurance	2,748.00
Cummings Food	hall 25.40 – ACO 19.92	45.32
Brighton Post Office	clerk – stamps 33.00 – Zoning cert. Letter 2.98	35.98
Village of Brighton Payroll Acct.	transfer	7,968.80
Street Fund	city sticker fines – Macoupin County	800.00
Jersey County Circuit Clerk	bond – reimbursed	100.00
Mac. Co. Clerk	animal control – Oct.	10.00
Village of Brighton Payroll Acct.	transfer	6,566.58
Brighton Post Office	clerk – post cards	10.50
Mac. Co. Circuit Clerk	bond – reimbursed	75.00

Police

Mac. Co. Circuit Clerk	bond – reimbursed	\$ 250.00
Mac. Co. Sheriff's Dept.	dispatching	1,340.00
Brighton Amoco	car maint.	53.80
A T & T		34.91
Henry Heyen & Son	misc.	2.49
Haines & Co.	dues	178.50
Brighton Pharmacy	camera expense	2.49
Fire Safety Inc.	misc.	8.00
Cummings Food	police – 5.91 reimbursed	10.74
Ameritech		88.97
Williams Office	office	48.06
Brighton Post Office	stamps	33.00
U.S. Post Office	envelopes	185.20

Park

Illinois Power		\$ 393.35
Budget Signs	bench plaque	8.65
Ingram Concrete	benches	122.50

Capital

Williams Office	sewer line – moving furniture	\$ 375.00
Williams Office	police – computer	89.00
Ingram Concrete	sidewalk	65.00
Ready-Mix Service	sidewalk – Cross St. & N. Main St.	196.00
T.K. Carpet Gallery	sewer line – offices	1,550.00

Motor Fuel

Gray Bros.	Spreading rock	\$ 905.50
Bluff City Minerals	rock	71.10

Library

Brighton Water		\$ 12.41
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B. Dalton Bookseller		256.30
Ameritech		\$ 76.38
Illinois Power		42.61

Fort

IML Risk Management		\$ 13,838.09
Data Tronics	deductible – police radio	500.00

Special Police

SA-SO Co.	badges	\$ 209.00
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Hunting & Fishing

Dept. of Natural Resources		\$ 62.00
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ESDA

U.S. Cellular		\$ 43.44
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Payroll

Lillian Bennett	library 26 hrs.	\$ 154.62
Sharon Broyles	dispatcher 80 hrs.	404.26
Sandra Burke	clerk	433.20
Nancy Cunningham	gymnastics	487.03
Virginia Dawdy	library 33 hrs.	191.40
Diane Ford	gymnastics	542.42
Bonnie McGuire	library 5 hrs.	32.32
Lucia McNear	library 16 hrs.	88.57
William R. Norris	police 80 hrs. – 6 hrs. court	822.20
Anita Oertel	treasurer	80.62
Don Piazza	police 80 hrs. – 3 hrs. court – 10 hrs. call	734.68
James Stewart	police 80 hrs.	835.87
Dale Summers	ACO	141.17
Brian Walter	police 80 hrs.	680.77
Altonized Federal Credit Union		125.00
Country Life Ins. Co.		47.40
Lillian Bennett	library 28 hrs.	167.13
Fred Benz	hall	44.67
Sharon Broyles	dispatcher 80 hrs.	404.26
Sandra Burke	clerk	433.20
Virginia Dawdy	library 37 hrs.	214.77
Lucia McNear	library 16 hrs.	88.57
William R. Norris	police 80 hrs.	750.74
Anita Oertel	treasurer	80.62
Joe Paulfrey	police 3.5 hrs.	27.31
Don Piazza	police 80 hrs. – 2.5 court – 7 hrs. call	726.39
James Stewart	police 80 hrs.	835.87
Brian Walter	police 80 hrs. – 4 hrs. OT	730.17
Altonized Federal Credit Union		125.00

Committee Reports

Library report was read by the clerk.

Librarian's report showed a circulation of 1.191 books checked out during the month of October.

Discussed purchasing a library software program, which would be of great help to the librarians. It is a bar-coding program, which also supplies different reports and information regarding the books, circulation, overdue books and names and addresses of users of the library. The trustees saw the program in action while visiting the Benld Library. Authorization was given to make further contact with the Benld Librarian and to proceed with the purchase of the Library program, which is called Athena.

The are program being sponsored by the Madison County Arts Council was discussed. Arrangement have been made to hold the monthly sessions at the Municipal Building, due to lack of space in the library. The first session will be Tuesday, December 7, 1999.

The Brighton Library will observe Family Reading Night on Thursday, November 18, 1999. This is a special night, which is observed over the entire state for attendance of the whole family at the local library. Jesse White, Secretary of State and State Librarian, has supplied information and advertisements and is promoting Family Reading Night. Refreshments will be served.

Farmer asked Attorney Watson how the grant was coming along on the new building. The attorney said it would be next year by the time everything is submitted.

Motion was made by Farmer, seconded by Lucas to place the report on file. Voice vote carried unanimously.

Zoning report was read by the clerk.

Joe Rister asked about the Mobile Home permits on Tiffany Lane. Charles Isringhausen stated that these are in the hands of the Attorney.

Charles Isringhausen brought up the need for a system to make applicants follow the rules for starting a building before a permit is issued and a penalty for the same.

Permits approved:

- Revised permit for Walter and Marie Ahlemeyer – 101 Market St. – storage
- Scott and Tim Thompson – Seminary Rd. – garage/storage
- Norval and Carol Ghere – 207 George St. – addition and garage
- Ronnie and Verdi Greeling – 203 Jersey St. – garage
- Harold Camerer – RR2 Box 178B (Irish Lane) – shed/storage

Ivan Tite made motion to table the proposal of increasing the cost of the permits to raise the inspectors pay until next meeting.

Clerk told the board that the letters that were sent to the Ridenours's have both been returned. Attorney Watson said the next step would be to try to locate their new address.

Motion was made by Farmer, seconded by Tandy to place the report on file. Voice vote carried unanimously.

Public Works report was given by Dan.

Recommendations:

Wayne Cox discussed Lakeview Dr. Written agreement between Wayne Cox and the Village for the Village to oil and chip the street and Wayne Cox to pay for it the next time when it is done.

Midwest Grinding has a bill for \$215.00 to Safety Partners for asbestos testing. After approval, they will start Nov. 9, 1999.

Letter was read from Dan Clasby, Supt of SW Schools, about the culverts on High Street. Motion was made to make two crossings on High Street and not to do the 240 feet.

Bill from Van Devanter Engineering Co., Inc. for \$1,962.00 for our Maintenance Contract on the pumps at the Sewer Plant and lift stations.

Motion was made by Cunningham, seconded by Farmer for Attorney Watson to draw up a contract between the Village and Wayne Cox on the oiling and chipping of Lakeview Dr. Roll call vote carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Cunningham, seconded by Farmer to pay the bill to Midwest Grinding when received. Roll call vote carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Farmer, seconded by Lucas to pay the bill to Van Devanter Engineering. Roll call vote carried unanimously.

Contract has been received from Midwest Grinding and Recycling for \$3,478.29 for tearing down the building at the old Conoco site on S. Maple St. Proof of insurance has been received and necessary permits have been obtained. Motion was made by Cunningham, seconded by Farmer to accept the contract. Roll call vote carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Lucas, seconded by Tandy to place the report on file. Voice vote carried unanimously.

Mayor Oertel said he had a call from the property owner of the Conoco property on S. Maple St. asking why the Village was going to tear it down and how come permission was given. Attorney Watson said the owner of the property is RCP Enterprises. Jersey County court issued a permit to have the building tore down. RCP Enterprises was served with a summons so was aware of what is going on. He still has time to file a motion if it is done before Nov. 9, 1999 when the building is going to be tore down. Watson spoke with his attorney on at least three different occasions last spring in regard to this and no action was taken.

Copies of the Cable TV Franchisee Ordinance was given to the Public Works committee for review.

Public Safety report was given by Tandy.

Court appearances for city sticker violators who pled not guilty is set for Dec. 2, 1999.

Officer Nairn 18 months to attend part-time schooling ended on Oct. 6th. He did not enroll in required schooling so he is no longer able to continue working. The department will be sent a letter from the training board concerning this as well as Mr. Nairn.

Y2K contingency plan was reviewed by members.

Information for a chair in the chief's office was reviewed. It was agreed that since they all were in the same price range the chief could decide when he viewed the chairs which one he wanted. The price range is \$450.00.

Recommendation to the board for hire of two part-time police officers. Sean Hilligoss and Tim Miller.

Mayor Oertel requested the chief to check with Alton and see how they handled and disposed of derelict vehicles. Chief has not checked with Alton, but the Village does have ordinances. To totally remove the vehicles it could be considerable expensive to the Village. If you tow the vehicle you have to store it for (10) days and it takes about (30) days to obtain for a new title and when the junk title is received we can get rid of the vehicle and then the storage charge has to be paid and a tow company to haul it away. This to be discussed further at the Public Safety meeting. Attorney Watson to check further on the state statues on vehicles being junked. Ordinance #471 pertains to junk vehicles.

Farmer asked what the procedure is on someone bringing cars in and junking them out. Is there any way to stop this? Attorney Watson said that he is not aware of any ordinance relating to this. The work is being done outside. Chief Stewart talked to the Sec. Of State regarding this and about all he can get from them is that it is not a big enough operation to worry about. Attorney to check on a ordinance pertaining to this before the next Public Safety meeting.

One part-time officer has not been responsive in coming up to be trained. Chief's phone calls have not been returned. One officer has only a couple of hours more of training with Officer Norris. The other officer has to complete his 40 hrs. mandatory training. Chief is waiting to hear when the next training will be held.

Motion was made by Cunningham, seconded by Farmer to place the report on file. Voice vote carried unanimously.

Unfinished Business

Termite bid from Garella Pest Management, Inc. - \$ 1,250.00 to treat the outside of the building only with a \$250.00 annual fee for checking. There is no guarantee with this bid.

Two other companies declined to bid because of the expense of drilling the floors and said it would be too expensive.

Discussion was held and board members felt until they see damage or termites flying it is not needed at this time.

Farmer asked if there is a way they can check on the inside of the building. Members felt there is a way but holes would need to be drilled.

Cunningham recommended a spot treatment where the termites were working on the outside of the building.

Motion was made by Tandy, seconded by Lucas to table the bids at this time. Roll call vote carried unanimously.

New Business

Discussion on city stickers. A flat fee can not be put on the water bills. A utility tax would need to be put on the Illinois Power bills. This to be discussed further at the finance committee meeting.

Subdivision Ordinance - Attorney has copies of ordinances from Thomas Wobbe and the Codification Company. He will get copies for members and the Mayor should appoint a chairman for the committee since Bob Schoeberle is no longer a board member.

Cablevision Ordinance - Cunningham asked why a contract even needs to be signed with them. Attorney Watson said he felt one is only needed for about five years. A contract is needed in order to update the system. The attorney suggested a representative from the cable company address the public works committee and invite the entire board to be present. Betty to send notices to all board members and the attorney.

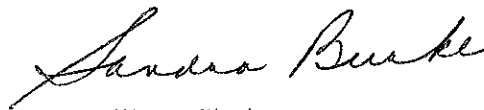
Problems - None

Executive Session - Motion was made by Farmer, seconded by Cunningham to go into executive session at 8:07 p.m. to discuss matters, which may result in potential litigation. Roll call vote carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Lucas, seconded by Tandy to return to open meeting at 8:47 p.m. with no action taken. Roll call vote carried unanimously.

Joe Rister asked about the Pruett mobile home on Crosby Lane. Attorney Watson said that Charles Isringhausen has never contacted him and the attorney will try to get in touch with him. There is no separate deed on the property.

Adjournment - Motion was made by Cunningham, seconded by Lucas to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 8:50 p.m.


Village Clerk