

Brighton, Illinois
February 7, 1972

The regular meeting of the Village Trustees of the Village of Brighton, Illinois, was called to order by the President of the Board, Walter S. Ahlemeyer in the Brighton Municipal Building at 7:05 P.M. on February 7, 1972.

The Clerk called the roll of trustees:

Present: Hall, Hughes, Austin, Woolsey, and Wittman

Absent: Hunter (Arrived later in the meeting)

The minutes of the last regular meeting were read by the Clerk. Hall made the motion to accept the minutes as read. Hughes seconded.

Voice Vote - Carried Unanimously.

The Treasurer's report was presented by B. F. Towse. A summary follows:

Balance on Hand, General Fund	\$ 21,763.98
Operating - \$17,935.31	
Fire - \$3,806.98	
Civil Defense - \$21.69 overdrawn	
Motor Fuel Tax Fund	18,089.81
Building Bond Interest and Sinking Fund . .	18,899.95
Bond & Interest Fund	5,641.31
Waterworks & Sewerage Fund Bond Account . .	13,011.57
Waterworks & Sewerage Fund Bond Res. Acct.	41,110.88

Hughes made the motion to accept the Treasurer's report as presented. Wittman seconded.

Voice Vote - Carried Unanimously.

Mr. Towse reported that the Village can purchase a hand-operated duplicating machine from the barbershoppers. He has use of it at his home; it was Mr. Towse's recommendation that the Village purchase this machine. Hall made the motion that we buy the machine. Wittman seconded.

Roll Call Vote - Carried Unanimously.

(Roger Hunter reported in at the meeting.)

Mr. Towse brought up that Harris Trust and Savings Bank of Chicago contacted him and was wanting to know if the Village would like to subscribe to a new issue of government bonds which carry a rate of 6-3/8% interest in exchange for the 4-1/4% interest bonds we now carry in the Waterworks & Sewerage Fund Bond Reserve Account. Hall made the motion that a resolution be passed directing the Harris Trust and Savings Bank to exchange the \$43,000.00 USA Treasury bonds bearing 4-1/4% and due May 15, 1974 for USA 6-3/8% bonds which will be due February 15, 1982. Seconded by Wittman

Voice Vote - Carried Unanimously.

Mr. Ted Shakofsky was present at the meeting and requested to be heard. He was requesting that the Village return the money he placed in escrow with the Village for the proper completion of the streets in Belvidere Subdivision. He said he

did not come under the ordinance since the ordinance was passed after the subdivision was started. He said he had done what he was supposed to do and would like to have his money back. Each board member presented their comments on the question. Wittman made the motion to release Shakofsky's money to him. Hughes seconded.

Roll Call Vote - Hall - No
Hughes - Yes
Austin - Yes
Hunter - Yes
Woolsey - No
Wittman - Yes

The attorney said he would forward the money to Mr. Shakofsky's attorney.

There was no planning committee report.

The zoning committee was represented by Gary St. Cin. He reported that he would have 100 copies of the zoning ordinance later this year and he will then set the date for the public hearing.

The bills were read by the Clerk:

Melvin Phelps	\$ 178.00
Illinois Bell Tel. fire phone	12.33
Jake Seets	10.00
Alton Clean Towel Service	14.00
Illinois Power, Lighting	199.06
Cal's Market99
Sheppard, Morgan & Schwaab MFT Engr.	336.58
Godwin Office Supply	5.98
Brighton Lumber, Christmas Dec.	9.62
Werts Shell Service	38.85
Werts Shell, Fire Department	2.70
Jack Williams, Paper	17.55
Blanchard Printing & Publ. Co.	151.20
Bott and Recher Catering	193.04
Illinois Office Supply	58.20
Blanchard Printing & Publ. Co.	3.20
Alton Evening Tele. MFT bid notice	12.20
Julia Watson, Reimbursement for tele.	2.01
Brighton Post Office, Postage	32.00
Bellmont Scheffel, Supt. of Streets	65.00
Julia H. Watson 1/4 annual salary	125.00
Julia H. Watson, Tax Collector	25.00
Brighton Produce, Christmas Tree.	6.00
Roger Hunter, Reimbursement for keys	1.00

Wittman made the motion to pay the bills and charge to their proper account with the further recommendation that the statement for Werts Shell Service in the amount of \$38.85 be checked out, because it seemed to be figured incorrectly and should only be \$30.80. Hughes seconded.

Roll Call Vote - Carried Unanimously.

The Water Board report was presented by Butch Scheffel. A summary follows:

RECEIPTS	
Metered Customers	\$ 10,660.86
Bulk Sales	344.00
Connection Fees	600.00
Meter Inst. Stock Sales	184.50
Interest Received	599.80
Fire Hydrant Rental - Godfrey	470.00
TOTAL RECEIPTS	13,421.88
DISBURSEMENTS	
Cost of Water	1,906.50
Power and Gas	421.31
Payroll	2,055.25
Meter Inst. Stock	1,372.43
Yearly payment on Schroeder Land	4,000.00
Investment	5,000.00
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	16,008.86
Bank Balance as of 1/31/1972 -	\$12,441.34
Water Customers Billed -	1,235

Hughes made the motion to accept the water board's report as read. Wittman seconded.

Voice Vote - Carried Unanimously.

It was brought up by Mayor Ahlemeyer that we are now off the sewer ban as of January 19, 1972. A letter was read by the Clerk from the Environmental Protection Agency, verifying the lifting of the ban and that they will issue permits for sewer extensions. A discussion was held as to when Sunyaire will be put on sewer. As soon as Gene St. Cin has completed his plans, they will be given to our engineer and he can then determine just what is needed in the lift station and the best location for it. Hughes made the motion that the engineer is authorized to go ahead with the plans for the construction of a lift station. Austin seconded.

Voice Vote - Carried Unanimously.

Butch Scheffel reported that he is to get together with the attorney and draw up a letter to send to those people who now have two residences on one meter.

The correspondence was read by the Clerk. There was a letter from American States Insurance Company regarding police car insurance. There was a request from the firemen's women's auxiliary requesting to use the Mayor's office for their meetings because they don't have enough room in the firemen's office. This request will be acted upon later in the meeting. A list was presented of various items that the fire department would like to obtain bids on and purchase. These are all items needed by them. Hall made the motion that the fire department be allowed to put these items out on bid. Wittman seconded.

Voice Vote - Carried Unanimously.

Wittman made the motion to accept the correspondence and place it on file. Hughes seconded.

Voice Vote - Carried Unanimously.

There was a written complaint from John E. Byrnes regarding parking on the sidewalk in downtown Brighton. The clerk was instructed to write Mr. Byrnes and tell him that the attorney is presently updating all our traffic ordinances and among them is a parking ordinance which will be passed in the very near future. It was also to be pointed out to Mr. Byrnes that as of the present time, the Village does not have a policeman on duty at all hours to issue tickets on parking.

The parking problem at the intersection of Center Street and Main and people parking in the roadway was brought up. It was Mr. Ahlemeyer's suggestion that two "No Parking between signs" be placed in the appropriate spots and the problem should then be cleared up. Hughes was instructed to make out the order for the signs that will be needed. Hall made the motion that two "No Parking Between Signs" be installed in the area in question. Seconded by Hughes.

Voice Vote - Carried Unanimously.

Hughes reported that a resident of Mobile Street was requesting that some barricades be put up on Mobile Street where it deadends because people are driving out in the area and making a mess and cutting big ruts. It was decided that all the board members are to inspect the area and decide what should be done. The matter is tabled until the next meeting and a recommendation can be made.

Wittman brought up the deep ditch that has formed in front of the Dairy Store parking lot. It was decided that some cold patch can be put in it and try to fix the drop-off.

Hunter brought up the complaints he has received concerning the apartments that Gene St. Cin constructed on South Main Street and the close proximity of these houses to the street. St. Cin did agree that in the future he would come to the board members and discuss any problems that might arise of this nature in his future constructions.

It was announced that Laverne Thompson and David Shaw have paid for their culverts and at the present time Lester Moran and George Craigmiles have not paid for culverts installed by the Village.

The problem of Benz's culvert was brought up. It was reported that it is not a legal culvert and it was the general consensus of the board that we must abide by the ordinance and they will have to purchase an adequate culvert and the Village will pay for the installation and rock.

A Careless Driving Ordinance was read by the Clerk. Hall made the motion to accept the first reading of the Careless Driving Ordinance. Wittman seconded.

Roll Call Vote - Carried Unanimously.

Hughes brought up that there is an old vacant house out Oak Street and William Broyles was wondering if maybe it could be declared a hazard. This is going to be checked into and try to determine just who owns the place at the present time.

It was brought up that there should be some flags purchased for the Municipal Building Auditorium and for the council rooms. The clerk was instructed to order the flags as determined by the Building Committee.

It was announced that a Brownie Troop has requested permission to plant flowers and beautify the square piece of ground in the sidewalk in the back of the Municipal Building. This will be their community project. They would like to have permission to beautify the area and also some help financially on things they would like to plant. It was decided that the Brownie's could have permission to use the grounds, but that they will have to have an approximate figure of what they intend to spend before we can grant financial help. Hughes made the motion to give the Brownies permission to cultivate the ground in back of the Municipal Building. Wittman seconded.

Voice Vote - Carried Unanimously.

The Building Committee report was presented by Roger Hunter. He reported that Fred Haynes was tentatively hired pending board approval as janitor of the Municipal Building. He began his duties on February 1, 1972. He is to work for 60 days for \$100.00 a month and at that time the building committee will renegotiate the salary with him. Hunter made the motion that Fred Haynes be officially hired. Wittman seconded.

Roll Call Vote - Carried Unanimously.

It was brought up as to who can use the auditorium free of charge and Hunter pointed out that maybe the definitions of non-profit and profit-making organizations was the wrong way to categorize and that maybe it should be that any "civic" organization or any group that is active in the community should have the hall made available to them free-of-charge if the building is open. A new listing of those that can use the Municipal Building and prices to be charged was submitted by Mr. Hunter. Hall made the motion that the board accept the building committee's recommendation with regard to who can use the auditorium free of charge. Hunter seconded.

Roll Call Vote - Hall - Yes
 Hughes - No
 Austin - Abstain
 Hunter - Yes
 Woolsey - Yes
 Wittman - No

Hunter presented bids that we obtained on the repair of the windows in the council rooms. He had two bids -- one from Hadley-Dean in the amount of \$244.84 and 1 from Wood-River Glass Company for \$212.10. Hunter recommended the acceptance of the Wood-River Glass Company bid, following clarification that they will replace the windows with a pane that is of the same quality that is in there now. Wittman made the motion to accept the recommendation. Hughes seconded.

Roll Call Vote - Carried Unanimously.

Mayor Ahlemeyer reported that the civil defense has made a request for some governmental equipment that is available at no cost; about five different items have been requested for the Village.

(Woolsey left the meeting.)

The police report was presented by Jim Hughes. Mr. Hughes reported that William Broyles, Village Policeman, is requesting that the Village purchase a fingerprinting kit at a cost of \$15.65, for the police department. Hughes also had a sample ticket that the police department would like to have and after issuance of this ticket, it could be paid in town. Hughes also reported that William Broyles is requesting a raise in pay. It was the committee's recommendation that he have a raise of \$50.00 per month and that it be made retroactive to January 1st, 1972, and also be granted with the understanding that Mr. Broyles will not be considered for a raise until the end of the Village's fiscal year of April, 1973. Hunter made the motion that we purchase the finger-printing kit. Hughes seconded.

Roll Call Vote - Carried Unanimously.

Hughes reported on three bids that were taken on snow tires for the police car:

McAfee Brothers	- \$52.00	
Werts Shell	- \$43.76	
Gray's Arco	- \$52.96) two different tires bid on
	\$51.94	

Hall made the motion to accept the bid of \$43.76 submitted by Werts. Austin seconded.

Roll Call Vote - Carried Unanimously.

It was announced that the auxiliary police would like to purchase an aerial for their portable radio. The cost to purchase such an aerial would be \$10.50. Hunter made the motion to purchase the antenna. Austin seconded.

Roll Call Vote - Carried Unanimously.

Hughes reported on the service contract for the radio with Motorola. It includes all cost of labor and parts and they will check the radio over twice a year. The cost is \$6.90 per month or \$82.80 per year. Hunter made the motion to subscribe to the service contract. Hall seconded.

Roll Call Vote - Hall - No
Hughes - Abstain
Hunter - Yes
Austin - No
Wittman - No

Austin made the motion that William Broyles' salary be increased to \$700.00 per month if it is okayed under the governmental guide lines.

Roll Call Vote - Carried Unanimously.

The police bills were read by Hughes:

William G. Broyles	\$ 700.00
Elmer H. Bott	132.00
Dale Hartsock	117.00
Fred Benz	117.00
Illinois Bell Telephone	5.15
Illinois Hosp. & Health Service	16.83
Rathgeb Brothers	44.05
McAfee Conoco	181.30
Leon Uniform Company	31.30
Sa-So	86.40
Don Werts	90.00
Gray's Arco	15.65

Hunter made the motion to pay the police bills. Austin seconded.

Roll Call Vote - Carried Unanimously.

The Animal Control report for the month was presented by Jack Hall. There was a request from Fred Benz, the animal control officer that he be granted an increase in his gas allowance to \$15.00 per month. After some discussion, Hunter made the motion that his request be denied. Austin seconded.

Roll Call Vote - Hall - Abstain

- Hughes - Yes
- Austin - Yes
- Hunter - Yes
- Wittman - Yes

Hunter made the motion to pay the amount of \$50.60 due the Animal Control Officer for the month. Hughes seconded.

Roll Call Vote - Carried Unanimously.

The Street Lighting Committee report was presented by Ed Wittman. He recommended that two lights be put up in Sunnyside Subdivision. Hunter made the motion that we accept the recommendation of the street lighting committee that we install two lights in Sunnyside subdivision at Grandview and Thomas and Crestwood and Grandview. Hall seconded.

Roll Call Vote - Carried Unanimously.

It was decided that the board would deny the request of the fireman's women's auxiliary to use the council chambers to hold their meetings, but when writing to them, the clerk is to stress the fact that they are very welcome to hold their meetings in the auditorium. Hunter made the motion that this be done. Wittman seconded.

Voice Vote - Carried Unanimously.

Wittman made the motion to adjourn. So moved and carried at 12:05 A.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Julia H. Watson
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 Village Clerk