

Brighton, Illinois  
January 2, 1973

The regular meeting of the Village Trustees of the Village of Brighton was called to order by the President of the Board, Walter S. Ahlemeyer in the Brighton Municipal Building on January 2, 1973, at 7:00 P.M.

The Clerk called the roll of Trustees.

Present: Hall, Austin, Hunter and Marshall

Absent: Wittman and Melbourne

The minutes of the last regular meeting of December 4, along with the minutes of the Special Meeting of December 14, were read by the Clerk. Roger Hunter made the motion to accept the two sets of minutes as read. Marshall seconded.

Voice Vote - Carried Unanimously.

The Treasurer's report was presented by Jack Hall. A summary follows:

Balance on Hand, General Fund . . . . .	\$ 12,992.17
Operating - \$8,072.84	
Fire - 4,880.67	
Civil Defense - 38.66	
Motor Fuel Tax Fund . . . . .	25,997.56
Bldg. Bond Int. & Sinking Fund . . . . .	35,381.24
Bond & Interest Fund . . . . .	6,298.72
Water Works & Sewerage Fund Bond Account . . . . .	9,967.93
Water Works & Sinking Fund Bond Res. Acct . . . . .	44,464.72

Marshall made the motion to accept the Treasurer's report as read. Austin seconded.

Voice Vote - Carried Unanimously.

Mr. Harris Carr was present and requested that a Street light be placed at the entrance of the Baptist Church Parking Lot which is located on the Highway. He was told that the Illinois Power Company Engineer had checked the town over and that new lights were going to be installed. However, we do not know if there is to be a light put in at the particular spot where they are requesting one. If there is no light to be put in at that particular area, we will request that the Illinois Power Engineer look it over again and see what kind of an answer he comes up with on this.

Mrs. Betty Price was present and was requesting that the Village provide storage space for the Christmas Decorations. It was suggested that the army van could be used for this, as it is empty and can be locked up. It was mentioned that maybe it should be cleared first with Cal Vonnahme, just to make sure that it is O.K.

Gary St. Cin was present to give a report on the Zoning Committee's activities. He reported that the Zoning committee

voted to accept the Barber property plat in that it meets the square footage requirement of the Ordinance. It was brought up that we should make an amendment to the Subdivision Control Ordinance, requiring that all lots have a minimum number of frontage feet. Hall made the motion to accept the recommendation of the Zoning Committee and accept the Barber property plat. Marshall seconded.

Roll Call Vote - Carried Unanimously.

Mr. St. Cin went on to present the Committee's recommendations covering the Briarwood Lake Estates plat. It was their recommendation that two lots should be shown as recreation, boat dock, and parking area and will not be used for building sites. Mr. Gene St. Cin assured the Board that the Improvement Plan plat will show this. The area being questioned by the Zoning Committee is located between lots 32 and 48, adjacent to the Lake. It was further mentioned with regard to this particular preliminary plat that according to the Subdivision Control Ordinance, the Board must accept the portion of the Subdivision that has been set aside for recreation area. A committee composed of Les Marshall, Jack Hall and Roger Hunter was appointed to investigate this recreation area, along with Gene St. Cin, and see if it meets with approval. Marshall made the motion to table the preliminary plat until the next meeting when the committee can get together with Gene St. Cin and look over the area. Austin seconded.

Voice Vote - Carried Unanimously.

Mr. Don Buscher was present to give the Planning Committee Report. He mentioned that a contact has been made with the lobbyist of the Illinois Central Railroad, and he is willing to see if they can do anything to get some gates for the Village's crossing, especially since the new fast trains will be going through. The Attorney requested that we get the man's name and try to get in touch with him and talk to him personally on this matter. Jack Hall was requested to be at the next Planning Committee Meeting next Wednesday evening.

The Water Board's report was presented by Belmont Scheffel. A summary follows:

RECEIPTS

Metered Customers . . . . .	\$ 11,945.71
Bulk Sales . . . . .	323.00
Conn. fees & Meter Inst. Stock Sales . . . . .	2,238.05
Interest Received . . . . .	2,320.15
TOTAL RECEIPTS . . . . .	17,465.38

DISBURSEMENTS:

Cost of Water . . . . .	2,180.46
Cost of Power and Gas . . . . .	561.65
Payroll . . . . .	2,082.07

Meter Inst. Stock . . . . .	\$	1,010.50
Investment . . . . .		5,148.85
Easements . . . . .		400.00
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS . . . . .		15,439.54

Bank Balance as of 12/31/1972 - \$17,395.97

Customers billed - 1,299

Marshall made the motion to accept the Water Board's report as presented. Hunter seconded.

Voice Vote - Carried Unanimously.

Butch Scheffel reported that as far as he knows everyone has made arrangements to get on the sewer line. Some of the work is backed up, and just hasn't been completed. Mr. Scheffel reported that he has had a request from the Thunderbird Lake Subdivision to go onto the Village's sewer line. It was the Water Board's recommendation that this request be denied because we are nearing capacity now, and there will be new building going on this spring and our obligation lies with the citizens within the Village limits. It was the Board's opinion that we should accept the Water Board's recommendation on this matter.

The easements that the Village is seeking along Humbert Road were brought up, and it was decided that there will be an Executive Session held at the end of the meeting.

Mr. Scheffel brought up the problem of fire hydrant rental. The Attorney told him to bill Mr. Fred Finck, as he is planning to take care of it.

Mayor Ahlemeyer brought up the appointment of Kay Hansen as Building and Zoning Commissioner. At the present time his work will be gratis and the Zoning Committee is to come up with some figure per inspection and make their recommendation to the Village Board. Hunter made the motion that Kay Hansen be appointed Building and Zoning Commissioner with duties of making inspections under the Subdivision Control and Zoning Ordinances. Austin seconded.

Voice Vote - Carried Unanimously.

The bills were read by the Clerk as follows:

Means Services, Clean Towel . . . . .	\$	5.00
Todd's Sanitation Service . . . . .		11.00
Illinois Power Company . . . . .		209.68
Gray's Arco, Fire Department . . . . .		5.00
Gray's Arco, Fire Department . . . . .		5.20
Gray's Arco, Street Department . . . . .		40.19
Welder & Industrial Serv, Fire Dept. . . . .		13.90
Godwin Office Supply, Fire Dept. . . . .		5.40
Brighton Lumber, Street Dept. . . . .		40.80
Clay East Supply Co. . . . .		203.49
Brighton Lumber Company . . . . .		50.44
Lampert Insurance, Police Car . . . . .		124.00

Sheppard, Morgan & Schwaab, Surveying . . . .	\$ 562.24
Harbor Sales & Service . . . . .	31.40
Lampert Insurance, 1963 Ford Truck . . . . .	87.00
P. F. Pettibone & Co., Voting supplies . . . .	27.35
Duro-Test Corp. . . . .	56.39
The Greenfield Argus Printing Co. . . . .	89.20
McAteers, House of Lights . . . . .	9.42
Donald Werts, Civil Defense . . . . .	75.55
Charles E. Mahoney, Cold Mix . . . . .	20.70
Emma Miller, Extra Cleaning . . . . .	25.00
Trico Electric Co. . . . .	5.00
William Watson, Labor . . . . .	80.50
Don Orban, Labor . . . . .	31.63
Werts Shell, Fire Department . . . . .	13.31

Jack Hall made the motion to pay the bills with the exception of the Harbor Sales and Service bills and the Brighton Lumber Company bill until they can be checked out and okayed for payment. Hunter seconded.

Roll Call Vote - Carried Unanimously.

The correspondence was read by the Clerk. There was a letter from Darrell Orban requesting summer work, a letter from Mrs. Fred Haynes regarding the Sunday opening of the taverns on December 24 and 31st. There was also a letter from Alvin Schroeder requesting that some action be taken on the water that is draining into his wheat field since the repair work to Margaret Street. It was mentioned by Roger Hunter and Jack Austin that the drainage is as good or better as it was before. The Clerk was instructed to write Mr. Schroeder and tell him that we will be cleaning out the tile which is 1/2 full of silt and hope this helps to remedy the situation and when weather permits, the south side of Edwin Street will be worked to even further help the water drainage in the area. George Tuey's resignation as secretary of the Brighton Fire Department was read. The correspondence was accepted for file.

Jack Austin reported that he had been questioned as to why both of the police cars were in front of the policemen's houses. The people felt that the police cars should be at the Municipal Building. Other members of the Board said that they felt it was the best place for the cars--at the policemen's houses--since they are on call 24 hours a day and wouldn't have to run to the Municipal Building every time they are needed.

The Illinois Fire Protection and Training Act was brought up and discussed. The State is setting up training centers around the state that will be for 208 hours of training and when a man is finished, he will be a certified fireman. A resolution was presented that the Village of Brighton participate in the program with certain details of participation to be worked

out by the members of the Fire Department themselves. Marshall made the motion to pass the resolution as presented. Hall seconded.

Voice Vote - Carried Unanimously.

Cal Vonnahmen reported that the date of the Fireman's dinner is January 13, 1973.

Jack Hall presented the Police report. The police bills were read as follows:

William G. Broyles, Salary . . . . .	\$ 700.00
Michael L. McNear, Salary . . . . .	450.00
Gray's Arco . . . . .	79.64
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Rathgeb Brothers . . . . .	21.07
Wise Communications . . . . .	25.50
Illinois Bell Telephone . . . . .	2.12
Godfrey Reloading, Animal Control . . . . .	7.61
Werts Shell Service . . . . .	28.14
Ted's Service Station . . . . .	118.59
Fred Benz, Animal Control Officer . . . . .	96.20

Marshall made the motion to pay all the police bills, including the Animal Control Officer. Austin seconded.

Roll Call Vote - Carried Unanimously.

The Police Committee was recommending that the MFT Funds appropriation for the next season should cover an expenditure for some new traffic signs. It was estimated that the cost of all the signs needed could be in the neighborhood of \$1,500.00 to \$2,000.00. Mr. Scheffel was instructed to keep this in mind when making the next MFT appropriation. The Police Committee also mentioned that they felt that it was not the Village's responsibility to patrol and maintain the traffic light at the school crossing on Maple Street (the Highway). They were wondering if maybe some of the police committee could go to the next school board meeting and try to get some workable agreement on this school crossing. It was Jack Hall's recommendation that someone from the P.T.A., police committee, and school board, should all get together and try to iron something out. It was decided that the last suggestion is the route that will be followed.

The Clerk was instructed to deposit the Revenue Sharing Check in a Special Trust Account in a Savings & Loan Institution.

Roger Hunter reported that Emma Miller, the custodian of the Municipal Building will be off starting January 8, and each Board member will take over for one week in opening and closing the Building, with Roger Hunter taking the first week.

Jack Austin presented a list of rental items in the total amount of \$1,643.09, to be charged against the M.F.T. and deposited in the General Fund. It was reported that the new

portion of Mobile Street had to be closed because the road went through with all the rains we have been having and people were getting stuck. Jack Austin was informed that he should check with George Collins about the three stop signs that were broken off in the recent ice storm and find out if the State will take care of replacing these signs.

Roger Hunter said that something should be done about fixing the corner at Tom Bennetts. People are cutting it close and are really cutting down and will smash the tile eventually. Butch Scheffel is to look at this and see what will help the situation.

Les Marshall reported on a meeting with Medora, Chesterfield, Brighton and two Townships on the ambulance service. They are going to have a man from the State Department down on this, and maybe he will be able to give some answers on how long it will take to get these federal funds. Marshall feels that it will take at least to next summer before they will be able to get anything lined up on this. He was wondering if it would be possible to have a service in the Brighton and Medora areas and it will have to be financed through donations from people and various non-profit organizations in the area. Tomorrow evening an ambulance from Missouri is being brought up for inspection.

A lease covering 6.63 acres of land owned by the Betsey Ann and leasing the area for 99 years was read by the Clerk. Hall made the motion to accept the lease as read. Hunter seconded.

Roll Call Vote - Carried Unanimously.

A discussion was held concerning the need to have the Clerk on duty in the Municipal Building at least four hours a day. The Attorney was instructed to write an Ordinance to cover the requirement of the Clerk being on duty at the Municipal Building and the new salary for the Clerk.

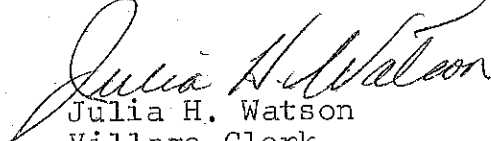
Jack Hall made the motion to make Robert Watson Brighton's Official "Crack" Meteorologist for the year 1973. Marshall seconded.

Roll Call Vote - Carried Unanimously.

The Meeting Room was cleared of all spectators and the Board went into Executive Session to discuss easements. The meeting was again opened to the Public. It was the Board's opinion that Bellmont Scheffel, Superintendent of Water and Sewers and Robert Watson, Village Attorney, would be given the authority to contact all the landowners regarding the easements and negotiate with them on the signing of the necessary documents, until all the easements are granted.

Marshall made the motion to adjourn. Voice Vote Carried  
Unanimously and the meeting closed at 12:00 A.M.

Respectfully submitted

  
Julia H. Watson  
Village Clerk