

Brighton, Ill.  
October 1, 1973

The regular meeting of the Village Board of Brighton was called to order by the president of the board, Walter Ahlemeyer at 7 pm in the Brighton Municipal Building on October 1. The Clerk called roll of trustees.

Present: Wild, Markwardt, Hall, Hunter, Carr, Austin

Absent: None

Clerk read minutes of regular meeting of September 4. On Page #2, Para. #5, 8th line, change 377 to 372. Markwardt is to remind Hank Boss to get list of names of the Swimming Pool Committee to attorney. Markwardt made motion to accept minutes as read and corrected. Carr seconded. Voice vote, carried unanimously.

Treasurer's report was given by Luriel Bott as follows:

Balance on hand, General Fund, Sept. 30.....	\$23,549.85
Operations.....	\$11,018.94
Fire.....	5,731.26
Civil Defense.....	66.05
Revenue Sharing Trust Fund Acct.....	25,414.22
Motor Fuel Tax Fund.....	29,079.72
Bldg. Bond Int. & Sinking Fund.....	35,743.65
Bond & Interest Fund.....	8,569.95
Waterworks & Sewerage Fund.....	14,744.85
Waterworks & Sewerage Fund Bond Reserve Acct.....	44,466.71
Harris Carr made motion to accept as read and corrected. (\$2572.73 Sales Tax should have been put in Bldg. Fund). Austin seconded. Voice vote, carried unanimously.	

Planning Committee: Betty Price read Planning Committee recommendations. She asked of progress on tennis courts. It is too late in the season and it will have to be done next spring. The Committee would like to go on record as being favor of a swimming pool, but think it should be enclosed to give year round recreation, and also bring in more income to support it; also the possibility of having it large enough for ping-pong, hand-ball, etc. They felt that the Board should appoint a committee to look into the recreational facilities of Brighton. They asked the Zoning Committee to meet with them, and would also like for the Board of Trustees to meet with them. They recommended a tranquilizer gun for enforcement of the dog ordinance. Hunter has been working on this, but warned that the person using a gun of this sort should know how to use it properly. Regarding Christmas decorations, Betty asked if the wiring could be done before winter weather sets in. Hall said a couple of city employees could help. Betty thought a committee outside of the town board had taken care of decorations and one had offered this year.

Visitors to be heard: Paul Hale attended the meeting in regard to a request by Lefty Oertel to trim his hedge on Boker Street. Mr. Hale thought the village should not have acted on an anonymous request and said that if the anonymous person would come to the board and register a complaint, he would consider cutting his hedge, and also suggested that the same rule apply to all dead end streets. Mayor Ahlemeyer said the city tries to clear weeds out and road obstructions out, and this was not handled to hurt anyone's feelings.

Tom Noble of Sunnyaire asked for progress of sewers in Sunnyaire. Gene St. Cin had assured Atty. Watson that the sewers would be in before the 80 working days had run out. The line has been altered from 8" to 10" and an amended permit had to be applied for. Ahlemeyer said St. Cin had also assured him that the sewers would be in before the time was up.

Lefty Oertel said since the culvert work is ready to start, Widman told him he intended that the culvert and sewer were in conjunction with each other and would probably be done at the same time.

Richard DeLassus mentioned a street light change on Park Drive. The Power Company has recommended against moving this light, but there should be an additional light installed.

Street & Alley Committee: Lefty made report. Hunter mentioned that one side of the crossing at Margaret Street, (Schroeder's side), the guttering is piled up. Should it be dug deep enough to put some cold patch in? It was decided that this would break up and wash away. There are some pot holes on Market Street from the Burlington track to the city limits. Permission was granted to add some more oil to seal it. Wild mentioned crack running down Avalon in front of #201. Lefty to check.

Zoning Committee: Gary St. Cin said there were only three at the last meeting and they went over the Trailer Ordinance thoroughly. There seems to be a transposition of paragraphs which gives confused meaning to the ordinance. He also said there should be a more definite description of zoning along the highway. Hunter and Wild will meet with Gary and another Zoning Board member to try to interpret the ordinance. They will then give their findings to the attorney.

Clerk read bills for month of September as follows:

Emma Miller, salary.....	\$172.16
Emma Miller, extra pay.....	5.00
Luella Cravens, salary./.....	174.40
Burlington Northern RR.....	45.00
Henry Heyen & Son.....	20.83
Godfrey Redi-Mix Co.....	22.50
Means Service Center.....	15.15
Greenfield Argus.....	90.00
Godwin Office Supply.....	29.43
Ill. Bell Co. (Fire Dept.).....	37.74
Ill. Bell Co. (Clerk).....	21.62
American Reprint Service.....	4.00
Shell Oil Co.....	61.46
Cairns Radiator Service.....	15.00
Alton Telegraph.....	56.80
Ill. Firemens Assn. (Fire Dept).....	20.00
Godwin Office Supply (Fire Dept.).....	31.86
Grays Arco (CD).....	2.20
Brighton Plumbing & Elec. Co.....	9.65
Widman Trucking & Exc. Co. (RS).....	320.00
Ill. Power Co.....	284.24
J&A Springman.....	15.60
Clay East Supply Co.....	215.13

Caldwell Tanks (Refund on bid mat'l).....	\$5.00
Universal Tank Co. (Refund on bid mat'l).....	15.00
Don Orban (Oct. 19).....	46.62
Wm. Watson (Oct. 19).....	157.29
Don Orban (Oct. 26).....	62.23
Internal Revenue Service (3rd quarter).....	955.25
Sta. of Ill. Rev. Service (3rd quarter).....	158.40
State Emp. Retirement System \$1074.18 village)	
1189.66 Water Co.)	2263.84

MFT

Sargent-Sowell, Inc.....	31.00
Brighton Twp.....	893.20
Alton N. O. Nelson Co.....	158.05
Don orban, Oct. 5.....	122.40
Wm. Watson, Oct. 5.....	133.04
Transfer to General Fund.....	621.75

Markwardt made motion, Carr seconded, to pay bills as read with the exception of one from McAfee Conoco for tires which Lefty will check. Roll call vote, carried unanimously.

Clerk made the following check this month:

Harris Trust.....\$4924.00

Clerk is to ask engineers to give us a price of a zoning map including areas within 1-1/2 mi. of city limits, 4x4' for one and also in lots of six.

Correspondence was read by clerk. A letter from ICC giving dates of hearings on proposed general increase in water rates. Municipal tax for June \$2572.73; MFT tax for August \$2037.10. A letter from the Ill. Dept. of Transportation stating that the ICC had granted a 3% increase in interstate rail freight rates. Austin made motion, Wild seconded, to accept correspondence and place on file. Voice vote, carried unanimously.

Ordinances: Stop Sign Ordinance #363 - Hall made motion that we dispense with the rules and accept the Stop Sign Ordinance #363 on the first reading from last month. Wild seconded. Roll Call vote, carried unanimously.

Ordinance regarding parking was read. This is to be held until the subject can be discussed with the business men affected by the ordinance; Cal and the bank. Also, parking on Brown Street rules should be in the ordinance. Police Committee to check on peoples feelings regarding one-side street parking all the way out Brown Street, also Cals and the bank. Hall made motion to table until checked more thoroughly. Hunter seconded. Voice vote, carried unanimously.

Ordinance #364, Bell Telephone. Clerk read this ordinance. Attorney explained that it was updating franchise. Austin made motion to accept, to dispense with second reading. Markwardt seconded. Roll call vote, carried unanimously.

Agreement with Burlington Northern was read. Hunter made motion to accept and authorize clerk and mayor to sign. Carr seconded. Roll Call vote, carried unanimously.

Complaints: Wild said that Joe Wilcut is asking for a street light in the middle of the block on Park Drive. Hall suggested a light be put half way down the street because of traffic to and from the ball diamond. He also said Mr. McElroy had asked

for a light to be placed close to the new store. Clerk to ask Mr. Kohler of Illinois Power Company to attend next board meeting to discuss these two lighting situations, and ask Mr. Kohler for an updated lighting map.

Butch Scheffel read Water Board Report as follows:

RECEIPTS:

Metered Customers.....	\$12,249.40
Bulk Sales.....	344.50
Conn. fees and inst. charges.....	1,663.85
Interest received.....	<u>1,403.88</u>
TOTAL RECEIPTS.....	\$16,408.59

DISBURSEMENTS:

Water.....	2,190.63
Power.....	389.36
Payroll.....	2,718.15
Repairs & Maintenance.....	144.42
Meter Inst. Stock.....	163.50
Investment.....	<u>1,146.73</u>

TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS... \$8,917.88

Bank balance as of Sept. 30, 1973 - - \$15,861.34

Water customers billed.....1343

Austin made motion to accept. Harris seconded. Voice vote, carried unanimously.

Scheffel stated that the Water Board voted to buy two new lift pumps at \$410.00 ea. and asked for the Board's permission.

These are needed because there are no spares and it is not feasible to repair any old ones. Markwardt made motion, Hunter seconded, to authorize the Water Board to purchase the two new lift pumps. Roll call vote, carried unanimously. There was one specification and that is that Chas. Sheppard would approve as far as engineering is concerned. Butch also states that a representative from the Detroit Deisel Engines is figuring on a generator for the Godfrey pumping station. This would probably cost around \$9000. EPA had recommended this a year ago. The Water Company has to chlorinate at Godfrey immediately as Brighton water does not show any chlorination. Butch said they have set up a deal where they can measure their pumping time.

Police Committee Report: Hall gave a report of the committee's looking into proposals presented for updating Police Department salaries, fringe benefits, etc. He reported that the total cost of this program to the city is broken down as follows:

First year	-	\$21,582.92
Second year	-	22,810.00
Third year	-	23,829.00

They recommend the following for consideration:

Fringe Benefits Resolution:

- #1 - Hospitalization, leave as is.
- 2 - Uniform allowance, leave as is
- 3 - Omit "3 days paid leave" and use good judgment as to how much time is to be allowed.
- 4 - Sick days - Change from 10 to 5 days.
- 5,6,7, Omit
- 8 - Pd. vacations -Change to "20 working/days after 10 yr/ service

If resolution is adopted on the new projection it would save the city approximately \$1100 per year on fringe benefits. Cost of living saving would be \$200 - 250 per year or a total of \$1400 to \$1500 per year in reduction of original proposal. This was tabled until after the Police Report. The Committee recommended 5% base pay increase per year.

Hunter read the following Police bills:

Werts Shell Service.....	\$122.80
Grays Arco.....	57.09
Ill. Law Enforcement Officers Law Bulletin.....	10.50
Greenfield Argus.....	21.50
Ill. Bell.....	18.10
Wise Communications.....	18.75
Belleville Area College.....	15.00
Sharon Broyles.....	7.50
Fred Benz (Aug. & Sept.).....	55.00
Ill. Hospital & Health Services.....	90.34
Wm. Broyles, 10/15.....	314.48
Wm. Broyles, 10/31.....	314.48
Orland E. Rubemeyer, 10/15.....	287.02
Orland E. Rubemeyer, 10/31.....	287.02

Roger stated that he thinks he can get reimbursement of the \$15.00 Belleville Area College from the Law Enforcement Education Fund. Austin made motion to pay bills, Wild seconded. Roll call vote, carried unanimously.

Animal Report:

Pick up .....	\$36.00
Gas.....	12.00
Mileage.....	<u>7.00</u>

\$55.00 total for Aug. & Sept.

Hunter said Broyles had a radio struck by lightning and he has been using a portable unit and had to get a power supply to operate it. Harbor Sales will sell this with power supply for \$30.00. Markwardt made motion, Hunter seconded, to obtain this. Roll call vote, carried unanimously. Hunter said Management Course at Belleville Jr. College has been cancelled. He also stated that they have set up regular Police Commission meetings; will meet Oct. 22 and the second Monday of month after that.

It was brought up that a retaining wall should be built along Center St. by the new store so children will not run out on Center Street. Lefty to check into this and give recommendation to Board. Hunter said Auxiliary Police uniforms should be purchased now as the price is going up. The approximate cost would be around \$640 and the Picnic Assn. will pay one-half. Hunter made motion to pay one-half of the cost of uniforms for Auxiliary Police. Carr seconded. Roll Call vote, carried unanimously. Uniforms to be purchased from Leon Uniform Company, St. Louis.

Hunter made motion to accept recommended resolutions for Police as originally proposed leaving everything exactly as presented but exclude any cost of living raise, considering cost of living does not affect the actual income of the village directly; add slight change in Paragraph #9 "to be reviewed prior to 3/1/75". If approved, wording should be legally: "To evaluate this resolution every year for additional raise and fringe benefits with con-

siderations only to be given based on anticipated appropriations or something to this effect." Every year prior to the writing of the appropriations ordinance, can look at budget and offer an additional raise or fringe benefits so there will be a reason to negotiate every year. \_\_\_\_\_ seconded. Roll Call vote:

Wild	-	No	Hunter	-	Yes
Markwardt	-	Yes	Carr	-	No
Hall	-	No	Austin	-	Yes

Ahlemeyer broke the tie vote by voting No.

The highway crossing school light is in operating condition again. Hunter talked to Drone Electric Company and they said the repairs cost \$48.00 and suggested the light should be completely gone over every couple of months at cost of \$8.00 to \$8.50.

Police Report:

Wheel tax.....	34	Thefts.....	2
Warning tickets on equip....	10	Burglaries.....	1
Warrants filed.....	1	Accidents.....	3
Juvenile Petitions filed....	3	Traffic tickets.....	32
Number of calls.....	87	Notices to move cars..	7
		Other arrests.....	1

McAfee was the only one who bid on tires for truck - \$39.25 plus \$15.00 for casing if needed. Austin made motion, Markwardt seconded, to buy if Lefty finds out the truck will pass inspection and meets all requirements. If not, reject. Roll call vote, carried unanimously. Lefty to check with McAfee to see if can get adjustment on tire prices for grader as bid was misconstrued.

Wild said a meeting is set up for Thursday to meet with the township regarding new phone set up. Cal said 20 stations with Type 1 recording is \$69.20 plus \$360 for installation. 911 installation with three lines around \$45.00 per month. We are now getting \$52.05 on our franchise with our phone and are paying \$22.00 extra so we would have 20 phones for \$7.00 less than we are paying now for ten. Still needs a dispatcher. Will take approximately 8 months to get this installed either way, the 911 or Type 1 system.

Cal also stated that they were getting information on fire engines. They run between \$30,000 and \$35,000. He said that as soon as they get underwriter's check they will probably say one should be bought. It will take about a year to get it after authorized. Hall suggested this be considered and suggested taking some funds out of present building funds, as they stand now - approximately \$15,000 and borrow additional money over a period of years, because we have extra fire protection tax coming in every year. Jack will give a report next month on this after studying ordinance. Cal asked for approval to buy a battery charger, cost around \$275.00. Board approved this purchase.

Mayor advised of the special board meeting set for October 15 to open bids on water tank. He also mentioned that there is a possibility that we can get some reimbursement on the sewer built in 1963. Clerk to work with engineer on this.

Trick or Treat: The Board set October 30 and 31 as Trick or Treat evenings, not after 9 pm and age limit 13.

Jack Hall read a letter from Emma Miller reminding him that she had a raise due November 1st. No action taken.

Lefty mentioned a broken window in truck. No comprehensive insurance. Board gave Lefty permission to have window replaced.

Street and Alley Report: Ditches and gutters have been cleaned on Center, Ransom, Olive, Vine and North Streets. Brown Street has been scarified and pulverized from the tracks to old City Limits Road. A fence was built at Hines property for culvert work. All speed and street signs are installed. Balance of oiling set for Friday, October 15.

\$621.75 is to be transferred from MFT to General Fund to pay Brighton Township.

Wild made motion to adjourn. Austin seconded. Voice vote, carried unanimously. Adjourned 11 pm.

*Luella Cravens*

Luella Cravens, Clerk