

Brighton, Ill.  
Feb. 4, 1974

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 February 4. The clerk called roll of trustees:

Present: Austin, Markwardt, Hall, Carr

Absent: Wild, Hunter

Clerk read minutes of last regular meeting of January 7 and special meeting of January 28. Corrections were as follows: Meeting of Jan. 7, Page #3, last paragraph, change word "hearing" to "engineering"; last page, third paragraph, delete sentence, "Ordinance will be ready on 28th", on January 28 minutes, change word "meeting" on first line to "hearing" and 5th paragraph, change "Bourland" to "Bolin". Markwardt made motion to accept as read and corrected. Carr seconded. Voice vote, carried unanimously.

Treasurer's Report read by Luriel Bott as follows:

Balance on hand General Fund, Jan. 31.....	\$13,554.07
Operating.....	\$12,083.12
Savings.....	1,634.08
Fire.....	8,221.73
Civil Defense.....	161.13 in red
Revenue Sharing Trust Fund Acct.....	28,314.04
Motor Fuel Tax Fund.....	24,028.45
Bldg. Bond Int. & Sink. Fund.....	50,973.67
Bond & Interest Fund.....	6,803.04
Waterworks & Sewerage Fund.....	26,540.65
Waterworks & Sewerage Fund Bond Reserve Acct....	44,464.71

Austin made motion to accept as read. Carr seconded. Voice vote, carried unanimously. Hall made motion that he, Luriel, and Atty. Watson be authorized to look into the possibility of purchasing timecertificates with excess building fund money, or check into other investments. Markwardt seconded. Roll call vote, carried unanimously.

Visitors to be heard: Mr. Schroeder is still concerned about some fence posts and fencing which had been covered by dirt when SE trunk line was put in. Mr. Schroeder would like to have the fence repaired, but since it was in poor condition, he would pay 50% of the cost, and asked for 4-barb wire. Ahlemeyer stated that it was up to the engineer as to what is on the city property. He asked Mr. Sheppard to have one of our men, Lefty Oertel or Butch Scheffel to be along with he re-locates the corners.

Jake Seets asked if the city was interested in providing refuse service, and if so, he would like to bid on the job. Ahlemeyer appointed a committee of Carr, Hall, and Austin to check into this and report back to the board.

Planning Committee report given by Don Buscher. They would like to compare the width of Brighton streets with Alton streets. They suggested using the old city hall lot as a parking lot, going in on Ransom and out on Main. The Trailer Ordinance should be strengthened, especially regarding the definition of a block. Don asked about tennis courts and Atty.

Watson said this was not ready to go yet. He asked about flooding ball diamonds in winter for skating but Watson said this could be detrimental to the diamonds. It was brought up about business people parking in front of their businesses. They suggested on bad ice, that sand or cinders be used along with salt. Another recommendation was that numerous city employees or citizens be taught how to run the city road grader for adequate road maintenance, summer and winter for all roads. All businesses should keep their sidewalks and steps clear of ice and snow. Also, they thought the horse ordinance should be enforced better, probably with a fine after second warning.

Lloyd Bilbruck brought up several complaints. Culvert resolution was explained to him. He reported a downspout that runs on sidewalks at the bank and it was suggested that he talk to Mr. Strohbeck regarding this. He complained about the way the culverts are put in at Vine Street, also by the Legion Hall to Oak, water runs in the road. He and Lefty are to get together on this. A garbage barrel on Cals that gets turned over. Clerk to ask Todd Sanitation to take care of this.

Joe Wilcut asked for a street light (7300 lumen) on the first pole on Park east of Main, between 709 and 711 Park. The committee of Carr, Markwardt and Austin will check into this.

Gloria Hall asked if something could be done regarding Park Ave. dust, due to so much traffic to the ball park. Hall suggested that the mayor instruct her to check with all concerned about possibility of a one-way street. Clerk to inform the Planning Committee to inspect traffic and see if the children could go thru Betsey Ann Park one way and come out the other way.

Reports of Progress of Water and Sewer: Mr. Sheppard advised that they have run control traverse from Godfrey to Brighton and have started in the village limits to stake proposed center line. All easements are taken care of except Jersey County. They can work direct with Butch on this. They are investigating going behind property on Jersey Street rather than highway right-of-way. As a means of expediting, they are investigating with a corporation, a photographic image for planned views. This may take a month, but will not stop Sheppard from doing their other work. About the end of March, they hope to have plans and specs finished. We should receive bids by the end of April or at May meeting.

Clerk to work with Scheffel on naming streets and roads for proposed new map.

Water Report was read by Scheffel. Butch said they discussed sewer line from Brown Street lift station to line in Briarwood and the Water Board has recommended to the Village Board to go ahead and proceed with that project. Atty. Watson suggested a joint meeting of Water Board and Village Board regarding this. Hall made motion that a joint meeting be called on Feb. 18, 7 pm, concerning sewer construction, water problems, etc. Markwardt seconded. Voice vote, carried unanimously.

Clerk to write trustees announcing this meeting. Scheffel also stated that we cannot use the new line at Godfrey until Alton gets meter in.

Scheffel gave Water Report as follows:

RECEIPTS:

Metered customers.....	\$12,089.38
Bulk Sales.....	303.50
Conn. fees & installation charges.....	524.25
Interest received.....	160.00
Total Receipts.....	\$14,194.06

DISBURSEMENTS:

Water.....	2,078.31
Power.....	459.54
Payroll.....	2,404.83
Repairs & Maintenance.....	438.95
Investment.....	1,435.81
Total Disbursements....	\$31,074.23

Street & Alley Report given by Lefty Oertel. He reported that a new pair of chains had been bought for the grader. He has checked the drainage problems at Sunnyaire and Belvedere and referred his findings to the Street and Alley Committee. He is putting #8 rock on Brown and Mobile Streets, on soft spots. New tires and tubes have been put on the front of the tractor-Water Company to pay for one tire and tube. Two cross walks have been put in on High Street for the school.

Zoning Report: Gary St. Cin inquired about zoning in 16 acres recently annexed, as it is under 20 acres. He will talk with Atty. Watson regarding this. He also reported that the 65 x 100' lot that Roger Cairns has a trailer on is hooked to main water and sewer lines and Cairns has met all zoning requirements.

Bill for January read by clerk as follows:

Albert Oertel.....	\$172.16
Luella Cravens.....	194.65
Emma Miller.....	199.86
Emma Miller, rebate for mat'ls. purchased.....	2.91
Emma Miller, extra pay.....	10.00
Chicago Title Ins. Co., Ownership reports to be reimbursed by Water Co.....	180.00
Ill. Hospital & Health Service.....	128.28
Weber Fire & Safety Equip. Co.....	34.00
Bott & Recher Catering, Firemens' supper - 1/2 Village, 1/2 Betsey Ann (\$323.67) .....	164.84
Chris Kraushaar.....	84.40
McAfee Conoco.....	185.40
Western Auto Store.....	4.07
Grays Arco, Civil Defense.....	8.26
Albert Oertel, reimb. gas.....	12.80
Rathgeb Bros. (\$8.30 Police, \$2.15 Village).....	10.45
C. M. Lohr.....	22.00
Central Ill. Road Equip.....	37.32
Ill. Power.....	357.20
Greenfield Argus.....	3.00

Todd's Sanitation.....\$10.00  
 Cals AG Market..... 10.87  
 Village of Brighton Bldg. B&I Fund..... 61.14  
 Jerseyville Farm & Home Supply, Fire Dept..... 24.70  
 Werts Shell Service, Fire Dept..... 32.80  
 Henry Heyen & Son..... 399.37  
 Wm. Watson..... 154.94  
 Wm. Watson..... 125.24  
 Sheppard, Morgan & Schwaab, 1973 Maint..... 464.11

MFT

Austin made motion to pay, Carr seconded. Roll call vote, carried unanimously. Clerk to obtain exact cost of insurance on #2 GMC Water truck and have Betsey Ann pay.

Clerk presented a form that Federal Energy Office had requested, for information on 1974 requirements of petroleum products. She will take care of this.

Correspondence read by clerk. Municipal tax for October, \$2367.39; Motor Fuel tax for December, 1973, \$2048.15. A letter from Mr. Clickener of the Dept. of Transportation stating that a new census may be taken by the city if there is an annexation since the last census was taken. This is for increase in MFT allocations. A letter from Ill. Dept. of Transportation suggesting limiting seal coat operations to every second year, or third due to increase in price, and predicted short supply. These letters will be placed on file.

Ordinance: Clerk made first reading of Ordinance #365. Hall made motion to suspend rules and pass on first reading. Carr seconded. Roll call vote, carried unanimously. Hall made motion to accept ordinance #365 on first reading. Markwardt seconded. Roll call vote, carried unanimously.

Police Report:<sup>In</sup> Hunter's absence, Markwardt read police report as follows:

Traffic tickets.....5	Warning tickets..... 3
Accidents.....2	Calls answered..... 63

The new police car is scheduled to go onto the assembly line February 18 and should be delivered by February 25.

Dog Report:

Dogs picked up.....10	Notice to purchase license...1
Claimed or sold..... 4	Disposition of bite - confinement.

Clerk to send letter to Mrs. Helen Rooney, Robings Manor, thanking her for 50# of dog food recently donated; also letter to Robings Manor Auxiliary for making her wish possible, and a thanks to Mrs. Slagel for taking the dog food to Benz.

Police Bills:

Grays Arco.....\$97.90  
 Werts Shell Service..... 108.59  
 Bell Telephone..... 13.26  
 Harbor Electronics..... 29.00  
 McAfee Conoco..... 176.85

Medora Truck Stop.....	\$4.10
Don Hume Leather Goods (Broyles allowance).....	20.00
Orland Rubemeyer.....	287.02
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Wm. Broyles.....	314.48
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Don Hume Leather Goods (Broyles allow.).....	23.27

Austin made motion to accept, with clerk checking to see if Medora Truck Stop had been paid. Carr seconded. Roll call vote, carried unanimously.

Fire Truck: Hall stated that the Jersey State Bank would loan \$20,000 at 5% simple interest, with repayment at \$282.68 for 84 months on a 7-year loan, interest payable semi-annually, six payments with \$3000 on principal yearly with last payment \$2000. Lein on truck title in favor of bank in amount of \$20,000. 1972, had \$4457 income, expenditures \$2994; year prior to that, excess of \$2500 and this year, the Fire Dept. has received \$5807. Using this as a guideline, Hall thinks city could pay this \$20,000 loan off at the rate Jersey Bank has stipulated and still have operating money. There should be no additional outlay for equipment on new truck for several years because it will come complete. This excess of tax money does not include additional tax money that has been received for the last two years. Cal gave specs on truck and Ahlemeyer asked for trustees' action on this since apparently we can afford the truck. Carr questioned about speaking of loan now when the truck cannot be obtained for another year of 1-1/2 year. When chassis comes in, \$12,000-\$15,000, we would pay with our own money. The other \$20,000 would be for tank and equipment on truck. If this is put off another year, the price will be higher and it will be another year before delivery. Hall will check with some other banks regarding loan. Hall made motion that the Fire Engine Committee be instructed to proceed with advertising for bids on the proposed fire truck. Carr seconded. Roll Call vote, carried unanimously. Ahlemeyer warned of spending for other things now as all the money will be needed to cover the purchase of the truck. Hall mentioned that some money will be coming back on sale of old truck.

Clerk read letter from Ill. Municipal League announcing a meeting at Jacksonville Feb. 5 regarding new election bill.

Clerk was given permission to change one day of work from Saturday to Monday, except in May when she will be in her office both days because of vehicle tax.

Ahlemeyer instructed clerk to follow up with SIU regarding swimming pool.

Markwardg made motion to adjourn, Austin seconded. Voice vote, carried unanimously. Adjourned 11:25 pm.

*Lucella Craven*  
Village Clerk