

Brighton, Ill.
June 3, 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 June 3, 1974.

The clerk called roll of trustees:

Present: Austin, Carr, Hall, Markwardt, Wild

Absent: Hunter

Clerk read minutes of regular meeting of May 6. Correction on Page #1, last paragraph: "Attorney Watson did not say to hold up on payment of engineering bills". Markwardt made motion to accept as corrected. Austin seconded. Voice vote, carried unanimously.

Treasurer's Report read by Luriel Bott as follows:

Balance on hand General Fund May 31.....	\$8,963.55
Operating.....	\$7,329.47
Fire Dept.....	1,639.29 in red
Civil Defense.....	438.96 in red
Revenue Sharing Trust Fund Acct.....	31,074.98
Motor Fuel Tax Fund.....	23,703.83
Bldg. Bond Int. & Sinking Fund.....	31,037.97
Bond & Interest Fund.....	6,003.51
Waterworks & Sewerage Fund.....	2,948.95
Waterworks & Sewerage Fund Bond Reserve Acct...	44,464.71

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

Visitors who request to be heard: Willard Rodgers asked for a firm answer as to sewer and water problems for his new subdivision. Ahlemeyer asked Rodgers if he had followed all procedures and Atty. Watson said that Rodgers had presented his plans two or three weeks ago and the Water Company has them. Ahlemeyer asked the Board for their opinions and they all agreed that the Water Company should make their recommendations first.

Gary St. Cin asked what the rules were regarding minibikes and motorbikes. He is afraid a child will be hurt, especially running on the ball diamonds. Ahlemeyer advised him that all motorized vehicles should be licensed by the state and all require a city sticker, and they should abide by the speed limits. Markwardt is to check this with the police, and there will be notices put in the paper.

Street and Alley Report read by Lefty Oertel. Culvert has been put in for crossing at new water tank; fence has been installed at Dairy Store, Donald Orban started to work May 28; other work that has been done is scarifying part of Brown Street, patching, mowing, and culvert work. No answer has been received from Gene St. Cin regarding grading in Sunyaire. Paper work has been completed for the new sidewalk project and if the village doesn't pay for walks on Oak Street, the Picnic Assn. will furnish material and residents will put the walks in. Resolution was read for \$5000 for sidewalks in other locations. Austin made motion to accept resolution as set up by state engineers. Carr seconded. Roll call vote, carried unanimously.

Lefty stated that these bids will be let the same time as the 1974 Maintenance bids. The deadline for this work is Sept. 1:

Bills for month of May were read by clerk as follows:

Albert Oertel.....	\$ 172.16
Luella Cravens.....	194.65
Grays Arco, Civil Defense.....	5.60
Grays Arco.....	35.10
C. M. Lohr, Inc.....	18.57
Lampert Agency, Inc., Grader.....	96.00
Illinois Power Co.....	367.47
Ill. Central Gulf RR.....	4.00
J&A Springman.	47.96
Shell Oil Co.....	29.73
Ted's Service Station.....	39.65
Dennis Heating & Cooling.....	26.58
Western Auto Store.....	2.44
Godwin Office Supply.....	21.47
Rathgeb Bros.....	7.60
Albert Oertel, Gas reimbursement.....	10.00
Delarent Construction Co.....	309.83
Brighton Plumbing & Elec. Co.....	3.84
Jack Williams Office Products.....	31.76
Sharon Eyers.....	8.00
Todd's Sanitation Service.....	12.00
Henry Heyen & Son.....	5.50
Ill. Bell Telephone Co.....	2.37
Werts Shell Service.....	6.95
Clay East Supply Co.....	23.45
Ill. Bell Telephone Co., (Fire Dept.).....	9.43
Lampert Agency, Inc., (Fire Dept.).....	118.00
Welder & Industrial, Inc., (Fire Dept.).....	11.27
Cals Market.....	39.48
Don Orban, 5/26 - 6/9.....	131.69
Sec. of State, Trailer license.....	5.00
Wm. Watson, 6/1-6/15.....	175.18
Alma Jones, 6/1-6/15.....	80.39
Alma Jones, 6/15-7/1.....	80.39
Wm. Watson, 6/15-7/1.....	175.18
Don Orban, 6/9/ - 6/22.....	144.00
Nabisco, Inc. (Reimburse. - paid wholesale & retail license, \$65.00 - should have been wholesale only at \$15.00)	50.00
Graham's Variety (Rev. Sharing).....	75.15
Brighton Plumbing & Heating (Rev. Sharing).....	426.93
Harris Trust & Savings.....	35.00

Carr made motion to accept. Wild seconded. Roll call vote, carried unanimously.

Correspondence read by clerk. Letter from Fire Dept. asking the village to put a "No Parking" sign on the north side of Municipal building and also re-locate the maintainer and trailer so there can be reserve parking for the Fire Dept. in case of an

emergency call at times when there are meetings in the building and parking space is at a premium. Hall made a motion that Grade 8 rock be put on the extra space behind the city hall to make more parking by city hall, and also a "No Parking" sign be put on north side of building. Markwardt seconded. Roll call vote, carried unanimously. The truck, maintainer and trailer are to be parked in this extra space. A letter was read from Roger Hunter resigning his position of trustee. Hall made motion to accept, Carr seconded. Roll call vote, carried unanimously.

Ordinances: Clerk made first reading of Appropriations Ordinance #369. Hall made motion to accept as read. Markwardt seconded. Roll call vote - carried unanimously.

Complaints: Some verbal complaints have been received regarding a junk yard on Ransom Street. Clerk to check to see if this is in violation of an ordinance, and advise attorney.

Markwardt stated that Alvin Schroeder has been bothered by children playing in his wheat field. Mr. Schroeder should sign a complaint with the police that the children are on private property.

Police Report: Markwardt read Police Report as follows:

Traffic tickets-----	9	Burglaries-----	2
Accidents-----	3	Bicycles stolen-----	4
Other arrests-----	2	Bicycles recovered-----	3
Stolen car recovered-----	1	Calls answered-----	83

Rubemeyer has completed his training at Police Training Institute at University of Illinois. Since the Police Auxiliary has lost two men they are asking that Roy Tutterow be appointed a member of Auxiliary. Wild made motion to accept Police Committee recommendation in placing Roy Tutterow on Auxiliary Police force. Austin seconded. Voice vote, carried unanimously. The Police Committee recommended a permanent police commission for Les Marshall. The police would also like to purchase warning tickets at cost of approximately \$20.00. Hall made motion that Les Marshall be given a permanent commission basis under committee's authority through the mayor; also the police be given permission to purchase warning tickets. Wild seconded. Roll call vote, carried unanimously. The police have recommended that a letter be sent Gene St. Cin to have the open basement at the Mansion House apartments filled or covered as this is a hazard, also a letter be sent to Carlos Bryant to advise him to move a damaged boat that he has blocked up on his property at Victor Street, which is also a hazard. Clerk to send registered to both of these parties. Wild made motion to send 10 day notices to this effect, Markwardt seconded. Roll call vote, carried unanimously.

Dog Report read as follows:

Picked up-----	7	Disposition of dog license	
Claimed or sold-----	2	purchase-----	2
Destroyed-----	7	Total income from dog----	\$5.00
Purchased-----	2	Burying dogs-----	4.00
		Total due Benz-----	37.00

Ahlemeyer suggested that rather than disposing of dogs, the

village could advertise them and it would be cheaper than putting them to sleep and burying them. The ordinance specifies keeping the dogs for five days, and when the five days is up then they could be advertised at the cost of keeping them which would be \$5.00. Hall suggested this be tried for 90 days. Markwardt is to advise Benz to advertise these dogs after the five days at board bill of \$5.00.

The following police bills were read by clerk:

Ill. Bell Telephone-----	\$12.44
Jersey-Calhoun Vet Clinic-----	16.00
Drake Tire Co.-----	3.50
Morrow Bros.-----	8.75
Ted's Service Station-----	48.95
Godwin Office Supply-----	4.55
Grays Arco-----	83.60
Wise Communications-----	1.48
Ill. Hospital & Health Service-----	90.34
Les Marshall-----	62.61
Fred Benz-----	37.00
Wm. G. Broyles-----	333.70
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Orland E. Rubemeyer-----	306.39
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Wild made motion to accept. Carr seconded. Roll call vote, carried unanimously. Ahlemeyer recommended that all grease jobs and gas be purchased locally.

The Fire Dept. has recommended that a "No Parking" sign be placed by the fire hydrant at the bank. It was decided to paint a yellow strip which would indicate no parking.

Planning Committee: Atty. Watson said Don Buscher asked him to check with Markwardt to see if the Police Committee was ready to return some recommendations on the No Parking Ordinance. Markwardt will check into this.

Atty. Watson said he had some new switch boxes installed at the Ball Park. He also reported that all of the copper tubing and fittings at the rest rooms at the ball park had been stolen. He has ordered all plastic lines and fittings where possible and the water lines will be put back into condition. Playground equipment should be set up this week. He asked the board to authorize him to advertise for bids on tennis courts. He has bids now from DeLaurent, Wilsonville and Marcel at Alton. Carr made motion to let Watson set up specifications and advertise for bids on tennis courts. Austin seconded. Voice vote, carried unanimously.

Water Report read by Scheffel as follows:

Receipts:

Metered customers-----	\$12,355.13
Bulk Sales-----	325.00
Conn. fees & meter inst. stock-----	1267.85
Interest received-----	209.99
Total Receipts-----	\$14,779.09

Disbursements:

Water-----	\$2,173.40
Power-----	411.71
Payroll-----	2,263.81
Repairs & Maintenance-----	317.31
Investment-----	5,311.37
Total Disbursements-----	\$13,747.76
Water customers billed -----	1375

Markwardt made motion, Carr seconded, to accept as read. Voice vote, carried unanimously.

Scheffel stated that the Water Board would take care of Vic Schroeder's fence.

He also advised that the Water Board recommended that Willard Rodgers be given tap-on for construction of his apartment complex. This does not guarantee any water tap-ons for apartments, etc. but will be enough to enable him to build the complex. Rodgers is to bring the sewer main to Virginia Street at no cost to the village.

Ahlemeyer stated that we have had problems of low water pressure since the summer of 1972. He distributed an information sheet which covered water problems and usage since May 1, 1972. He summarized this information and said that since there will be no water in the new tank this summer, the situation is serious. According to EPA, once our pressure is down, we are expected to notify all present users to boil water and this will be done, if pressure drops below 20#. Atty. Watson said bids for water lines should be advertised in August. Ahlemeyer indicated that our first obligation is to the people who are already on the lines, and even though this might work hardships on people who are building subdivisions, the total picture and total responsibilities must be considered. If it would come to the point of having to boil water, the EPA would have to run tests and release it for usage before it would be considered safe. The Water Board recommended that a water ban be put on all water hauling, no water connections for any new construction for 90 days, this ban to be reviewed at our September meeting. They also recommended that orders for water that are now in be honored. Hall put this in the form of a motion, adding "to accept recommendation from Water Board to accept Rodgers water and sewer plans for construction only, subject to our own city engineers' approval." Markwardt seconded. Roll call vote, carried unanimously.

This would extend to September board meeting unless something would occur to relieve the situation such as Alton getting their line in. Mary Hazelwood asked about backing this up by ordinance and Atty. Watson explained that this would delay action because of special meetings, 24-hour notice, publishing, etc. Gary St. Cin suggested putting this in the paper and ask all to make an effort to watch water usage. Hall asked Rodgers if he was satisfied with these decisions and he indicated he was.

INFORMATION CONCERNING WATER PROBLEMS

Our water shortages or low pressures first occurred in 1972.

At that time we had customers as follows:

May 1, 1972 - 1260 customers	May 1, 1973 - 1310 customers
May 1, 1974 - 1368 " "	June 1, 1974- 1375 " "

We also have 79 meters out of use. This includes mostly rental property such as homes, trailers, business, and lots where dwellings have been removed and meters have remained. These 79 meters are not included in the monthly billing, but water is available.

Water purchased from Alton

April 15 to May 15, 1972 - \$1,373.80 - 7,478 cu.ft. or 5,608,500 g.
 April 15 to May 15, 1973 - 1,607.26 - 7,478 cu.ft. or 5,608,500 g.
 April 15 to May 15, 1974 - 2,181.24 - 10,411 cu.ft. or 7,808,250 g.

Water hauled from loading station, Brighton

May 1 to Oct. 1, 1972 - \$2,428.50 or 1,390,000 g. or 9,266 g. per day
 May 1 to Oct. 1, 1973 - 1,776.50 or 1,015,000 g. or 6,700 g. " "
 Jan. 1 to June 1, 1974 - 1,355.75 or 775,000 g. or 5,200 g. " "

Water hauled from Godfrey

May 1 to Oct. 1, 1972 - 217,000 gal. or 1,446 gal. per day
 May 1 to Oct. 1, 1973 - 229,000 " " 1,526 " " "
 Jan. 1 to June 1, 1974 - 116,000 " " 645 " " "

The Brighton Water System was built in 1952 consisting of a 6" line from Godfrey to Brighton and a 50,000 gal. elevated tank at Brighton. At that time we had approx. 250 customers billed. By using the national average of 3.5 persons per billing, this means we had 875 people using water.

1974 - 22 years later, the Brighton Water System has 1375 billing and by using the national average of 3.5 persons per billing, this means we would have 4812 people using water. At the present time, we are still charging \$3.00 minimum for residents in Brighton and \$4.00 outside the city limits. This is the same as charged in 1952. The Jerseyville and Fosterburg Water Companies are charging \$8.00 minimum.

In the fall of 1973 we let the contract for the 300,000 gallon elevated tank to be built in Brighton, but will not be completed until the spring of 1975. The timetable on the 10" water line to be built from Godfrey will be approximately the same.

Our water problems of low pressure during the hot months of July and August will be VERY, VERY SERIOUS.

 The above was read and circulated to all customers.

Hall asked that we write Jersey State Bank that we accept their proposal as stated in their letter regarding loan for fire truck, and advise them that our only problem is that we do not know for sure when we will need the money. Upon completion of the fire truck, we will, several weeks in advance, make final application. Clerk to write them.

Problems: Hall made motion, to avoid any legal complications in the future, and since we have some property that is being pastured by another individual, the board go on record that we are not using this city property for a pasture and this land should be vacated. Atty. Watson suggested that clerk write Vic Schroeder a letter to this effect. Markwardt seconded. Voice vote, carried unanimously.

Zoning: Gary St. Cin requested to resign as chairman of the Zoning Board. He explained that he could not get the committee together when needed. Carr made motion to accept his resignation with reluctance. Markwardt seconded. Voice vote, carried unanimously.

Clerk reported during the month of May, 110 dog tags were sold, 816 city stickers and 43 dogs were given rabies shots by Dr. Van Wallagen.

Don Little had asked if he could still serve on the Police Committee and attend Eastern Illinois University. This would be up to him - if he can handle it.

At this point, the Board went into Executive session.

Adjourned 11:10 pm.

Duella Craven

Village Clerk