

Brighton, Ill.
July 1, 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 July 1, 1974. The clerk called roll of trustees:

Present: Austin, Carr, Hall, Markwardt, Wild
Absent: None

The mayor submitted names of Tom Rathgeb to fill the unexpired term of Roger Hunter who had resigned from Board and J. M. Sitze as a member of the Zoning Board to replace Gary St. Cin, who had resigned. Wild made motion to accept these names to fill designated terms. Carr seconded. Roll call vote, carried unanimously. Rathgeb was sworn in as trustee by the clerk.

Minutes of regular meeting of June 3 read by clerk. On page 4 under Planning Committee, change wording that "Watson has information instead of bids from DeLaurent and Markel. Carr made motion to accept after correction. Markwardt seconded. Voice vote, carried unanimously.

Treasurer's Report read by Luriel Bott as follows:

Balance on hand, General Fund, June 30.....	\$7,135.19
Operating.....	\$5,501.11
Fire Dept.....	1,777.99 in red
Civil Defense.....	445.46 in red
Revenue Sharing Trust Fund.....	30,572.91
Motor Fuel Tax Fund.....	25,542.00
Bldg. Bond Int. & Sink. Fund.....	33,687.24
Bond & Interest Fund.....	5,968.51
Waterworks & Sewerage Fund.....	5,897.90
Waterworks & Sewerage Fund Bond Reserve Acct.	44,464.71

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

Bids on Sidewalks were read as follows:

3592 sq.ft. of 4" PC Sidewalk	
Central States Petroleum Co., \$1.35 sq.ft.....	\$4849.20
W. E. Rodgers Construction Co., \$1.45 sq.ft.....	5208.40
Tom Bennett.....\$1.19 sq.ft.....	4274.48

Lefty Oertel explained that the village will pay for some of the sidewalk that was not in the specifications. Ahlemeyer mentioned that Revenue Sharing money could be used for this sort of work. Austin made motion the lowest bid be accepted, this by Tom Bennett. Wild seconded. Roll call vote, carried unanimously. Lefty said additional sidewalk work could cost from \$4000 to \$5000 - this to include all of West Center from Arco around Gaither property and from alley on Main past trailers around the corner at Meacham property, 178' of 3-1/2" walk. Brown Street, across the tracks, some of the walk is at an angle, and should be corrected. Other locations were discussed, also ways to pay for sidewalks. Atty. Watson suggested the village furnish concrete and pay for labor.

Bids were read on MFT Maintenance, which included Bituminous patching material, Bituminous sealcoat and #3 Blotter aggregate. Bids were received on the first item only and DeLaurent, Mahoney, and Central States Petroleum Company all bid \$14.00 per ton, total \$1820. Hall made motion to accept Central States Petroleum bid. Markwardt seconded. Roll call vote, carried unanimously. Clerk explained that there will be another bid letting on July 15 on the two items that had been overlooked by the bidders - bituminous sealcoat and #3 blotter aggregate.

Visitors to be Heard: Donnie Werts mentioned that there had been poor workmanship on sidewalks last year. Ahlemeyer explained that the walks that are going in this year will be straight sidewalks. Lefty stated that on Main Street, the new walk will be over existing walks to bring the level higher than the streets.

Gary St. Cin questioned both police cars being out of town at the same time, such as when there was a train-car accident on Route 111. Markwardt invited him to attend the next police meeting July 8, 7:30.

Bill Preis asked if there will be any terracing on sidewalks that are higher than the streets. Lefty explained that the Street Department will do this. Preis also asked if there had been any consideration given regarding traffic at Center and Route 111 where the traffic is heavy. Atty. Watson suggested that we contact the Dept. of Transportation and ask for a survey, with the idea that the state might pay part of this. Clerk to write and ask them what the procedure is in getting a light, and asking for a survey. This could also be used as a school crossing.

Street & Alley Report: Lefty read Street & Alley Report. The Street Dept. has done the usual patching of holes and cleaning ditches; mowed park area; cleaned and repaired rest rooms at Ball Park; removed tree and stump on Plum St., took out old culvert on E. Center and cleaned ditches; did some work at picnic area for Picnic Assh. Weather permitting, the drainage ditch in Sunnyaire will be started soon. The Street and Alley Committee has recommendations regarding traffic control signs. They have helped change a culvert on Moore St., and put new manhole cover on sewer; scarified and graded Market St. from railroad to city limits; smoothed out Brown St. and north City Limits Road. Wild asked about Sunnyaire and Lefty advised that there had been a breakdown, that he doesn't know what Water Dept. commitment is, but he is waiting for them to go out and start to work. Street and Alley Report accepted.

Bills read by clerk as follows:

Albert Oertel.....	\$172.16
Albert Oertel, gas reimb.....	10.00
Luella Cravens.....	194.65
Laverne Thompson & John Moore, remov. tree....	75.00
Ill. Bell Telephone Co.....	7.50

Blanchard Prtg. & Pub. Co.....	\$9.60
George E. Kruse, mowing.....	5.00
Greenfield Argus.....	18.00
Western Auto Store.....	3.04
McAfee Conoco.....	6.25
Means Services.....	35.82
Shell Oil Co.....	12.35
Gary Werts, Amoco Oil.....	13.28
Werts Shell Service.....	10.85
Grays Arco.....	2.20
C. M. Lohr, Inc.....	83.59
Alton Evening Telegraph.....	21.40
Lampert Ins. Agy., Work. Comp.....	886.00
Grays Arco, CD.....	26.70
Gary Werts, Amoco Oil - Fire Dept.....	7.92
Lamar H. Bock, Fire Dept.....	50.00
Ill. Bell Telephone Co., Fire Dept.....	9.43
Grays Arco, Fire Dept.....	42.20
Fire-Safety Sales & Service, Fire Dept.....	83.00
Don Orban, 6/23 - 7/7.....	157.30
Ill. Hospital & Health Service.....	149.28
State Employees' Retire. System.....	2055.55
(\$1083.22 reimbursed by Water Dept).	
Internal Revenue Service, 2nd quarter.....	831.00
State of Ill. Dept. of Revenue, 2nd quarter.....	138.59
Martin Huebener, Refund on auditorium rent.....	12.50
Alma Rose Jones, 7/1 - 7/15.....	80.39
Alma Rose Jones, 7/15 - 8/1.....	80.39
Wm. Watson, 7/1 - 7/15.....	175.18
Wm. Watson, 7/15 - 8/1.....	175.18
Ill. Power Co.....	377.12
Brighton Post Office, stamps.....	30.00
Don Orban, 7/7 - 7/21.....	121.32
<u>Rev. Sharing:</u>	
Masco Sales, Recreation.....	3.14
Western Auto Store "	57.15
McAfee Conoco "	9.30
Brighton Civic League, Library.....	46.62
Brighton Plumbing & Elec. Co., Recreation.....	64.06
Brighton Recreation Fund, Reimbursement.....	57.54
Carr made motion these bills be paid as read. Austin seconded.	
Roll call vote, carried unanimously. Hall stated that the	
Street Dept. should be made aware of the bill from George	
Kruse as the work completed without instructions from the	
village.	

Water Board Report read by Scheffel as follows:

RECEIPTS:

Metered customers.....	\$12,585.13
Bulk Sales.....	46.75
Conn. fees & meter inst. stock.....	2,249.75
Interest received.....	1,432.25
Total receipts.....	\$17,518.43

DISBURSEMENTS:

Water.....	\$2,181.24
Power.....	417.42
Payroll.....	2,363.50
Repairs & Maintenance.....	391.72
Interest.....	209.99
Total Disbursements.....	\$7,276.38
Water customers billed....	1373

Progress of Water Improvements:

Scheffel said Sheppard had just wound up engineering on 10" line this last week. The Water Company has made arrangements to pay Sheppard's bill of \$16,662.38. They expect to be ready for bidding on 10" water line at next meeting. Atty. Watson said they have been waiting for them to finish with engineering, so they will have specifications for easements. Butch said he thought there were 32 families. Alton Water Co. is still on strike, but the contract was let the first part of May for hooking up, and Brighton is first on the list. EPA inspection on the water end of it was last Thursday and starting today, he has to run a chlorine residual test on water in town and report for a month and if it doesn't show any chlorine, it will have to be chlorinated at Godfrey. He thought the cost would be from \$5000 to \$10,000. Both tanks have to be inspected by a competent person as to condition of tank on inside and tanks will have to be painted within a year, inside and outside - this is the tank at Godfrey and in Brighton.

Bill Preis asked if there is any chance of getting four tap--ons for water to take him up to September. He is expecting to complete one or two houses by the end of this month and two more by the end of August. He asked if water could be transferred from a couple of vacant houses to new ones. Ahlemeyer stated that the rules could not be changed unless the Village Board and Water Board approved the change. The Water Board has discussed and their feeling was that they could not change until Alton got their end done, so the decision stands according to minutes.

Bill Olsen from Thunderbird stated that they have formed an association and want to know what their status is regarding fire plugs - are they being billed for the plugs at \$25.00 per year, etc. Butch said no resident of Thunderbird has been billed for any fire hydrant. Mr. Fink owns the fire plugs but Brighton charges maintenance fee. They are not being charged anything now, but the Water Company has discussed a charge of 25¢ per family for this. Butch explained that these hydrants have to be painted and greased at intervals and have to be inspected yearly. The Water Co. has never been paid anything on these hydrants.

Correspondence was read by clerk. A letter from Jersey State Bank stating that the funds for the new fire truck will be available when we require them but they cannot commit a firm interest rate for this extended period. It was decided that

if their interest rate is out of line when the village is ready to borrow the money, we will negotiate locally. A letter was read from Darrell Molen, Principal of School, asking for a "No Parking" sign on the west side of Olive Street, especially near the portable classrooms. The Planning Committee is working on these parking plans now and have turned this over to the Police Committee. Markwardt will discuss this at the Police Committee meeting Monday. Clerk to reply to Mr. Molen that the recommendation will be presented to the board at a later date and it is, at the present time, being considered by the Planning & Police Committees and they hope to have the problem remedied before school starts. Markwardt asked if the Police Committee could have \$100 for street signs, No parking, Fire Lane, etc. Atty. Watson suggested waiting until the ordinance is passed. A letter was read from Gene St. Cin in answer to our complaint regarding weeds in Sunnyside. He stated that Don Whiteside is making arrangements for the lots to be mowed. Clerk to call Don about this. Also, a letter was read from St. Cin stating that on June 17 they are to put a natural drain in the Mansion House unit, debris will be taken out of the foundation and all water drained. A letter from St. Cin stating that he gives permission to the Village to do any grading necessary for improvements in Sunnyside and he understands that this does not express any acceptance by the village of these streets. Municipal tax for March \$2649.27; MFT tax for April \$1676.4; MFT tax for May \$1838.17. Hall made motion to accept correspondence. Carr seconded. Voice vote, carried unanimously.

Ordinance #369, Appropriations was brought up. Hall made motion, Carr seconded, to suspend rules and accept on one reading. Roll call vote, carried unanimously.

There had been some verbal complaints regarding a junk yard in town. Clerk was instructed to write Jim Skinner that complaints have been registered. Atty. Watson indicated that this was probably in violation of the zoning ordinance, junk yard ordinance and nuisance ordinance.

Carr mentioned that he had had a complaint that the Schallenberg house on Cross St. is not being taken down very fast. Clerk to write Mr. Schallenberg regarding this.

Police Report:

Markwardt read the following reports:

Police

Traffic arrests.....	8	Theft over \$150.....	1
Arrests for no peddlers license.....	3	Theft under \$150.....	2
Other arrests.....	4	Accidents.....	2
Warning tickets on equipment.....	8	Calls answered.....	91

Dog Report

Dogs picked up.....	5	Dogs destroyed.....	2
Other animals picked up.....	1	Animal bites.....	1
Dogs claimed or sold.....	2	Disposition of bites-confined	
Gas....	\$8.00		
Due Benz...	24.50		

A claim has been sent in for reimbursement of \$759.10 for Rubemeyer's school. The following bills were read:

Grays Arco.....	\$204.85
Wise Communications.....	51.15
Leon Uniform Co.	166.65
G. A. Thompson Co.....	21.05
Ill. Bell Telephone.....	9.28
McAfee Conoco.....	115.26
Werts Shell Service.....	33.23
Fred Benz.....	24.50
Orland E. Rubemeyer, gas reimbursement.....	8.20
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Wm. G. Broyles.....	333.70
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University of Ill., tuition, Rubemeyer.....	475.00

A bill was read from Wells Tire Co. and clerk was instructed to sent this to Morrow B os. Co. as they should take care of it under their guarantee on the police car. It was decided to not buy uniforms for auxiliary police until they are off 6-month probation. The Auxiliary police have asked if they can finish the shooting range. Atty. Watson advised that the next step would be for this to be checked out with the Insurance Company, then there would have to be an ordinance on it. Carr made motion to pay police bills with the exception of Wells. The Police Committee has recommended that the city buy a walkie-talkie. They have two bids - Federal, \$728.40 for the complete unit and bid from Motorola at \$825.00 plus \$295.00. The police recommend Federal. Carr made mption to buy walkie-talkie as recommended by the Police Committee, from Federal. Wild seconded. Roll call vote, carried unanimously. The Auxiliary has voted to take Joe Allen on as auxiliary police since two had quit. The Police Committee also recommend Allen. Wild made motion to accept Allen as police auxiliary. Rathgeb seconded. Roll call vote, carried unanimously.

Planning Committee - No-one was present from Planning Committee.

Unfinished Business: Atty. Watson said the bonding attorney will have bonds ready to bid by July 21 but since that is a poor market time, he recommended securing bidders in September. The Board agreed to this.

New Business: Ahlemeyer appointed Wild to the Police Committee to replace Hunter, who had resigned. Other committees that Hunter was on will be replaced by Rathgeb. Wild was also appointed Mayor Pro-tem by Ahlemeyer.

Clerk was instructed to bill Betsey Ann for one-half of the cost of insurance, fire phone, workmens compensation and 1/2 of fire-mans dinner.

Clerk asked if Tom Kribs, who bought two city stickers in May and moved in June could have a rebate. There are no provisions for this. She also asked about Mitchell Crone who is a car dealer and drives different cars every day. He is to purchase one for the company.

Ahlemeyer said we had been asked to participate in the Medora Centennial. It was decided to give a plaque similar to one Brighton had received.

Clerk asked for her vacation starting August 19. Permission granted.

Lefty asked about a building to put equipment in. He has measurements. He was instructed to make up plans of what is needed and this can be taken care of with Revenue Sharing money. He is to reactivate committee to work on it.

Markwardt is to inform Fire Dept. that Revenue Sharing money could take them out of the red.

Executive Session called at 10:40 to bring trustees up-to-date on legal problems of Sunnyside.

Adjourned.

Duella Pravek
Village Clerk