

Brighton, Ill.
Oct. 7, 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 October 7. Clerk called roll of trustees:

Present: Austin, Carr, Rathgeb, Markwardt, Wild

Absent: Hall

Clerk read minutes of special meeting of August 29 and regular meeting of September 3. Correction on Page 6 of September 3 meeting, second paragraph under "New Business": Markwardt to check this out and proceed with recommendations. In the August 29 minutes, Ahlemeyer explained Bulk Hauling, that all bulk haulers pay the same rate regardless of what faucet is used. Carr made motion to accept both sets of minutes as corrected. Wild seconded. Voice vote, carried unanimously.

Audit: Mr. Kratschmer and Mr. Essmueller of R. C. Scheffel Company were here to explain the audit. They have changed our records from cash basis to accrual basis - this means that records should be kept on an encumbered basis rather than actual money paid out, and will mean that the village records will be kept the same as the water company records, and they will all be reported under one audit. Some of their other recommendations were:

1. They suggest that an inventory of fixed assets be prepared and maintained on a permanent basis - cost of each item and where located. This will help in our overall insurance program.
2. They recommend that a detail general ledger by fund be set up.
3. Recommend that the fidelity bonds on treasurer and clerk be increased.
4. Recommend that fidelity bonds on Water Commissioner and Office Manager be increased, and that Water Clerk be bonded.

Treasurer's Report read by Luriel Bott as follows:

Balance on hand General Fund Sept. 30.....	\$12,408.58
Operating.....	\$10,283.01
Fire Department.....	529.02
Civil Defense.....	403.45 in red
Revenue Sharing Trust Fund.....	30,845.47
MFT Fund.....	26,077.41
Bldg. Bond Int. & Sinking Fund.....	43,391.59
Bond & Interest Fund.....	9,296.79
Waterworks & Sewerage Fund.....	14,744.75
Waterworks & Sewerage Fund Bond Reserve Acct...	44,464.71

Luriel stated that we have not received July MFT check yet, although August check has been received. Markwardt made motion to accept report, Carr seconded. Voice vote, carried unanimously.

Street and Alley Report given by Lefty Oertel. Culvert ends on all streets have been cleaned, streets oiled, completed sidewalks on Main from North to Center, on S. Main from E. Center to

State of Ill. Federal Surplus Property, \$15.00 Village, \$27.65 Fire Dept.....	\$42.65
Henry Heyen & Son, Fire Dept.....	2.75
Illinois Bell Telephone Co., Fire Dept.....	9.43
M. D. Awards.....	56.92
George Tuey, Reimbursement, Fire Dept.....	17.65
State of Ill. Dept. of Revenue.....	167.50
Internal Revenue Service.....	948.00
Eugene St. Cin, Bal. of \$75.00 int. check.....	60.00
Alma Rose Jones, extra openings.....	25.00

Revenue Sharing:

Paul Clark, Plum & Ransom.....	1157.13
O. E. Erwin Ready Mix, Vine St.....	396.00
Fischer Lumber Co.....	57.60
Paul Clark, Main St. at Post Office.....	214.20
J&A Springman.....	39.00
Paul Clark, Main St. materials.....	18.95
Paul Clark, Vine St.....	1167.48
Beckley-Cardy Co., Recreation.....	185.00
Paul Clark, Oak St.....	426.00

MFT:

Village of Brighton Gen. Fund transfer.....	4000.00
Oliver Gray Trucking Service.....	4808.16
Central States Roofing Co.....	252.70
Piasa Road Oil Co.....	5302.00

Bond & Interest Fund

Harris Trust & Savings Bank.....	4868.10
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Markwardt made motion to pay bills, Carr seconded. Roll call vote, carried unanimously.

Correspondence: Letter of resignation from Don Buscher, also Lefty's letter of resignation. Austin made motion to accept these resignations, Carr seconded, with regret. Voice vote, carried unanimously. Clerk to write them of the acceptance. Letter read from Jerome Wooldridge, applying for work as street commissioner to replace Lefty. It was decided to carry on on a part-time basis, at least until next spring when a definite decision may be made. Carr made motion to hire Wooldridge on an hourly basis as needed. Rathgeb seconded. Roll call vote, carried unanimously. Clerk to write Wooldridge of the decision. Letter from Dept. of Transportation regarding school light. Board asked clerk to write them asking for figures on their feasibility study - traffic count, dates, time of day survey was made, etc. Also what the traffic would have to be to meet their requirements. Municipal tax June, 1974, \$2886.50, MFT tax August, \$2055.58.

Ordinances: Clerk read Ordinance #372 covering Municipal Tax use. Carr made motion to accept ordinance #372 on first reading. Markwardt seconded. Roll call vote, carried unanimously. Markwardt made motion to dispense with rules and adopt on first reading. Austin seconded. Roll call vote, carried unanimously.

Complaints: Ahlemeyer said he had had complaints about Amtrak speed going through the village. Carr also mentioned the condition of tracks which he seemed to think might cause a bad wreck. This is both freight and passenger cars. Clerk to write Railroad Company with copy to ICC regarding this.

Austin said there had been a verbal complaint about Joe Cravens' car lot across from Hassmans. Clerk to write him that they should be set back so as not to obstruct view - probably about 10'.

Water Board Report read by Butch Scheffel as follows:

RECEIPTS:

Metered customers.....	\$13,343.58
Bulk Sales.....	130.00
Connection fees & meter inst. stock.....	957.30
Interest received.....	2,769.51
Total receipts.....	\$17,933.99

DISBURSEMENTS:

Water.....	2,750.43
Power.....	442.01
Payroll.....	2,822.65
Repairs & Maintenance.....	123.01
Total disbursements.....	\$9,440.44
Water customers billed... 1403	

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

Mr. Drew voiced a complaint about water rates. He and another man are in business, and are being charged bulk rate. Ahlemeyer appointed a committee of Wild, Carr, Hall from Village Board and Cal Vonnehman and Marvin Powell from Water Company to meet with Mr. Drew, get all information possible, then a decision can be made. Scheffel is to get information, where water was used, what percentage used in rest rooms, etc., what percent is sold, and most important, what percentage is being re-sold. Scheffel is also to meet with the committee.

Scheffel said they have switched over to new 10" main and still are getting complaints on low pressure. Homes range from 42 - 49#. Tank delivery will start week of October 14.

Regarding Briarwood Estates water line, Sheppard, a representative of Widman Construction Company, Gene St. Cin and Scheffel recently met at Briarwood. Two-thirds of sewer lines are half full of mud and Sheppard said dirt and water would have to be pumped out of manholes. Widman's man said silica sand was in the bottom of sewer line. Before city accepts this, engineer should make a thorough inspection of the sewer lines. If we approve this, it means that we accept it, and the street is supposed to be completed before water and sewer is accepted - either that or money should be put up to guarantee finishing of these streets. Water line did not meet the hydrostatic test. Butch said he would make sure the air is out of the lines. 2760 gallons of water can go through these lines in a 24-hour period, and this is close to the maximum of 3250 gallons, and Scheffel recommended that it not be accepted. Water lines are going from 125# to 65#. Butch

said every manhole would have to be checked in order to remedy this. One of our men should be there when this is done. Ahlemeyer told Butch to have Unverzagt help if possible. Butch to inform St. Cin that the board declined to take any action at this time until water and sewer lines are taken care of, and other improvements made. Atty. Watson said the first 47 lots in Briarwood are under the old ordinance.

Police Report given by Markwardt as follows:

Bills:

Fred Benz.....	\$26.00
Leslie Marshall.....	52.72
Sharon Broyles.....	7.50
Lamar Bock.....	9.00
Orland Rubemeyer.....	307.29
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Wm. Broyles.....	334.60
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Grays Arco.....	84.40
Gary's Service Station.....	56.18
Brighton Pharmacy.....	7.96
Werts Shell Service.....	55.90
Ill. Bell Telephone Co.....	9.70
Harbor Electronics.....	40.00
Don Hume Leather Goods (Broyles allowance)	30.20
Brighton Post Office.....	2.08
Great Lakes Fire & Safety Equip. (Rev. Shar.)	915.44

Carr made motion to pay bills. Rathgeb seconded. Roll call vote, carried unanimously.

Animal Report

Dogs picked up.....	6
Claimed or sold.....	2
Due Benz.....	\$26.00

Markwardt asked if we are going to continue advertising dogs, since there was no response to the ads. It was decided to not advertise any more. Auxiliary asked for approval for a 20-watt radio, \$299.00. This will exhaust their entire appropriations. Wild made motion to grant permission for Auxiliary to get item as requested, to be charged to their account. Austin seconded. Roll call vote, carried unanimously. Auxiliary will have a report for next meeting. Extension on the clerk's phone for Fire Department will be installed tomorrow, \$22.00 for installation and \$1.35 per month. Bicycle safety program was a great success. They registered 135 bicycles, and stamped them. Carr made motion to accept entire police report. Wild seconded. Voice vote, carried unanimously. Markwardt asked the board to pass on police regulations which were distributed, at next meeting.

Police Report:

Accidents.....	3	Traffic tickets.....	22
Warning tickets on equipment.....	5	Warrants filed.....	1

Other arrests:

No peddlers license.....	1	Juvenile petitions filed -	1
Disorderly conduct.....	1	Total calls ^{ed}	90
Theft under \$150.....	1		

It was reported that the walls in the Police Department and Fire Department need paint.

Planning Committee: Ahlemeyer asked all to be thinking of someone to replace Don Buscher as Planning Committee ~~chairman~~ ^{member}.

Unfinished Business: Atty. Watson reported on tennis court bids. 2 courts with fence, color code, etc. \$23,000, Georgewitz. Contractor said by taking out fences and doing only minimum, can reduce cost of 2 courts to \$14,800. One without fence, \$9800, could get one for \$5,000. Would have our own fence to build, approx. \$2500. Our problem is that allotment from Revenue Sharing is only about \$10,400. All agreed it best to wait until spring.

Carr summarized Street and Alley Comm. recommendations on George St. and Belvedere. They recommended having Georgewitz do Belvedere St. and also recommend going an additional approx. 100' to cover up a broken section at approx. \$800. St. Cin is to pay for George St. Pete Unverzagt will oversee the work on George St. - this only the upper end that was never completed. Georgewitz bid on Belvedere was \$4166.00 plus \$800 for the 100' and to slope to 3" crown so water will go to gutters. Water Dept. to lower manhole to level of gutter.

Austin made motion to accept Georgewitz bid. Rathgeb seconded. Roll call vote, carried unanimously. Rathgeb made motion to go the extra 100' at \$800. Markwardt seconded. Roll call vote, carried unanimously. Lefty said he understood village would not be required to do any excavating work. Clerk to call Georgewitz giving our acceptance, then verify by letter, they to inform us when they are ready to start so we can get Unverzagt to inspect the work.

Clerk asked how to handle a \$75 interest check on time certificates which Gene St. Cin had on deposit. Last year the check was deposited to partially pay for a special meeting Gene had us call regarding sewer lines. Clerk was instructed to deposit \$15 of this check which will pay the \$90 due for meeting. The balance of \$60 is to be sent to Gene.

Trick and Treat was set for Oct. 30 and 31 with no-one over 13 years of age, and no more than three blocks from home. Lefty asked for a transfer of MFT funds to Gen. Fund up to \$4500. Carr made motion that this be done, Markwardt seconded. Voice vote, carried unanimously.

Carr suggested maybe a vibrator would be better than a roller for blacktop. Rathgeb to check into this, also any other equipment that the Street Department could use.

Carr made motion to adjourn. Austin seconded. Voice vote, carried unanimously. Adjourned 11:10.

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Village Clerk