

Brighton, Ill.  
Dec. 2, 1974

The regular meeting of the Village Board of Brighton was called to order by the president of the board, Walter Ahlemeyer, at 7:10 pm in the Brighton Municipal Building on December 2. Clerk called roll of trustees.

Present: Austin, Carr, Rathgeb, Markwardt  
Absent: Wild, Hall

Clerk read minutes of regular meeting of November 4. Corrections to be made were: Page 3, under Report of Progress of Water Improvements - should read "finish construction by February 20" instead of February 30; 9th line in same paragraph should read "flow" of 5200# instead of pressure. Also on 6th line should read "tank" instead of bank. Page 4 under Police bills, Illinois Hospital & Health Service is \$95.30 instead of \$15.30. Markwardt made motion to accept minutes as corrected. Carr seconded. Voice vote, carried unanimously.

Treasurer's Report was read by Luriel Bott as follows:

Balance on hand General Fund November 30.....	\$10,326.66
Savings.....	\$5,699.66
Operating.....	4,491.46
Fire Dept.....	455.36
Civil Defense.....	319.82 in red
Revenue Sharing Trust Fund./.....	27,048.53
MFT Fund.....	12,127.18
Bldg. Bond Int. & Sink. Fund.....	41,883.59
Bond & Interest Fund.....	4,559.41
Waterworks & Sewerage Fund.....	20,642.65
Waterworks & Sewerage Fund Bond Reserve Acct.....	44,464.71

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

Visitors who Request to be Heard: Mrs. Benefiel and Beverly Nunley were here to hear Fred Benz' Dog Report read. Maurice Wilson was here as a character witness for Delbert Johnson. He gave a good recommendation.

Street & Alley Report: Regarding use of snow plow for Southwestern School District, Markwardt said the committee recommends a fee of \$20.00 per hour, to do this work, only a trial basis because all Brighton streets must be cleaned off before equipment is taken out of town. They feel it would be better if Southwestern could get someone else and we would try to help them, if possible, until they did get private individuals bids on the work. They should notify us as soon as a decision is made on this. Also, Southwestern should give us names of persons to contact when we are ready to do this work so they can be on the premises. Carr made motion to proceed as presented by the committee. Austin seconded. Roll call vote, carried unanimously. Clerk to advise Southwestern. Wooldridge read his report. He has graded Gaither's yard on Center Street to new walk; set city limits sign north-east of town on Brighton City Limits road, and filled in holes on Thomas and Grandview in Sunnyaire subdivision with rock that was supplied by St. Cin.

Clerk read bills as follows:

Jerome Wooldridge.....	\$16.95
Luella Cravens.....	194.65
Welder & Industrial, Inc., Fire Dept.....	2.95
Ill. Bell Telephone Co., Fire Dept.....	11.43
State of Ill. Fed. Surplus Property Sec.....	25.00
Civil Defense.....	\$4.50
Ambulance.....	12.00
Water Co.....	8.50
	) to be reimbursed
Ill. Bell Telephone Co., Clerk.....	9.36
Means Service Center.....	14.16
Thompson Asphalt Co.....	40.28
Lampert Agy., Muni. bldg. & contents.....	126.00
R. C. Scheffel Co.....	822.50
Jack Williams Office Products.....	13.50
Benz Backhoe Service.....	96.00
Illinois Power Co.....	377.12
Godwin Office Supply.....	14.53
Cal's Market.....	13.57
Henry Heyen & Son.....	19.40
Gray's Arco.....	7.50
Werts Shell Service.....	7.15
Henry Heyen & Son, Xmas Dec.....	5.29
Masco Sales, Xmas Dec.....	7.16
Betty Markwardt, reimburse Xmas Dec.....	1.66
Fred Benz, for use of tractor & truck, etc. putting up Xmas Dec.....	10.00
Alma Rose Jones.....	127.93
1/2 mo. Dec. + 2 mo. retroactive	
Alma Rose Jones, 1/2 mo.....	89.91
Rodger Cairns, reimburse for deposit dig. sts...	50.00
Ill. Hospital & Health Service.....	19.95

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

Water Board Report read by Scheffel as follows:

Receipts:

Metered customers.....	\$14,386.90
Bulk Sales.....	293.25
Conn. fees & meter inst. stock.....	0
Interest received.....	153.45
Total receipts.....	\$16,126.08

Disbursements:

Water.....	2,503.07
Power.....	405.71
Payroll.....	2,447.75
Repairs & Maintenance.....	1,029.84
Total disbursements.....	\$7,711.33
Water customers billed.....	1405

Scheffel reported that Thunderbird owes \$300 for 1973 and 1974 fire hydrant rental.

New schedule on water tank: Delivery December 6, construction to start December 16 and completion date February 20. Scheffel said St. Cin would like sewer acceptance in Briarwood tonight. Ahlemeyer explained that the engineer and Scheffel

had to approve. Scheffel read letter from Sheppard, Morgan and Schwaab regarding final inspection which was made Nov. 11 by Sheppard and Scheffel. The only corrections to be made before acceptance were:

1. Mud from construction activities has accumulated in the sewer between manholes 3 and 7; between manholes 4.1 and 4.3; between manholes 4.3 and 3.2; and at manhole 4.5, and will have to be removed from sewer.
2. Joints at the junction between manhole rings and the clay pipe throughout the system have not been grouted.

Butch advised that this work has been done and inspected, and that the Water Board's recommendation, also the engineer's recommendation was to accept the sewer only. Rathgeb made motion to accept Water Board and engineer recommendation and accept sewer only. Austin seconded. Roll call vote, carried unanimously. Lloyd Wells said St. Cin wants payment from him for his part, but Lloyd understood the sewer on Brown would be done. Watson advised him to not pay until certain signatures were obtained. Scheffel reported on Fosterburg water rates as compared to Brighton rates. Fosterburg is much higher. Rathgeb made motion to approve Water Board reports. Carr seconded. Voice vote, carried unanimously.

Correspondence read by clerk as follows: A letter from Delbert Johnson asking approval to operate a package liquor store within the village of Brighton. Ahlemeyer explained that we have two that are licensed now, at \$800 per year. Atty. Watson said the ordinance in existence now might have to be amended since it covers consumption of alcohol and Johnson's request is for package liquor. Ahlemeyer appointed a committee of Bob Wild, Jack Austin and Harris Carr to meet with Watson and check ordinance for changes and report back with their recommendations. MFT tax for October \$1879.06; Municipal tax for August \$2950.76. A letter was read from Southwestern Chamber of Commerce in which they enclosed a check for \$100 to be used with matching funds for Christmas decorations for Brighton.

Ordinances: None

Complaints: Carr said he has a complaint about the junk yard across from McElroy's Country Store. Watson advised that the state inspector has been checking on this regarding license, etc. State said they would not issue license. City ordinance says a junk yard must be enclosed with a board fence, and should also be licensed, a fee paid, etc. Watson said they should be given a notice of ordinance violation. Clerk and Watson to take care of this.

Committee Reports

Planning Committee - No-one present.

Police Report: Markwardt read the following police bills:

Illinois Bell Telephone Co.....	\$8.57
Cal's Market.....	5.94
Ill. Law Enforcement Officers Law Bulletin	11.50

Brighton Pharmacy.....	\$10.28
Decatur Electronics.....	49.86
Harbor Electronics.....	27.35
Fred Benz.....	29.00
Grays Arco.....	21.32
Walkers Service Station.....	135.50
Werts Shell Service.....	65.95
Wm. G. Broyles.....	334.60
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Orland E. Rubemeyer.....	307.29
Orland E. Rubemeyer, 1/2 mo. + 1 holiday.	333.47
Ill. Hospital & Health Service.....	95.30

Police Report

Traffic tickets.....	26	Thefts.....	3
Other arrests.....	1	Vandalism.....	3
Warnings on city wheel tax....	1	Accidents.....	2

Markwardt asked for aid in making the traffic count at the highway and Center Street. Ahlemeyer suggested asking the Planning Committee to help. It was decided to postpone this count until April or May since the state made their count in the summer.

Dog Report:

Dogs picked up.....	5	Purchased 1 license - 1
Dogs destroyed.....	1	Total due Benz....\$29.00
Notice to purchase license.....	1	

Carr made motion to pay police bills and accept police report. Austin seconded. Roll call vote, carried unanimously.

Unfinished business: It was recommended that Alma Jones be given a raise of \$25.00 per month, retroactive to October 1 since her six months probation ended September 30. Markwardt put this in a motion, Carr seconded. Roll call vote, carried unanimously.

Markwardt made a motion to pay Fred Benz \$10.00 for use of his tractor and truck and gas in helping put up Xmas decorations. Carr seconded. Roll call vote, carried unanimously.

Regarding three trailers which Crone has on his property - clerk to check with Mike McNear about this.

New Business: Ahlemeyer stated that the road commissioner for Brighton Twp. has offered to let us put our road equipment in a vacant shed they have, and provide us with a key. In return, we are to let them have some salt if they need it. Austin made motion to accept the offer. Carr seconded. Roll call vote, carried unanimously. Clerk was instructed to order 20 tons of salt under MFT account, from Morton Salt Company.

Watson suggested the meeting be continued to 7 pm Tuesday, December 3 for amending of ordinance on sale of bonds and vote on engineer's certificate.

Clerk asked to be off, without pay, on Dec. 23, 24, 26, 27, and 30th. Carr made motion to grant her permission to take this time off, Markwardt seconded. Voice vote, carried unanimously.

Scheffel asked for a street light at tank location. Markwardt made motion to have this light installed, Carr seconded. Roll call vote, carried unanimously.

Jerome said Henry Heyen had checked the truck and said it needs overhauling.

Markwardt made motion to continue meeting to Tuesday, December 3, 7 p.m. Rathgeb seconded. Roll call vote, carried unanimously.

Recessed 9:05 p.m.

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7 p.m. Tuesday, December 3 - Continuation of December 2 meeting.

Present: Hall, Austin, Rathgeb, Markwardt, Carr  
Absent: Wild

Ahlemeyer explained that the item to take care of deals with the adjustment of ordinance concerning the sale of water bonds.

Clerk read Engineer's Certificate. Hall made motion to accept Engineer's Certificate. Markwardt seconded. Roll call vote, carried unanimously.

Clerk read Ordinance #372. Austin made motion to accept Ordinance #372 for the first reading, Hall seconded. Roll call vote, carried unanimously.

Markwardt made motion to suspend rules and adopt Ordinance #372 on first reading. Carr seconded. Roll call vote, carried unanimously.

Hall made motion to adjourn. Markwardt seconded. Voice vote, carried unanimously.

Adjourned 7:25 p.m.

*Lucille Carr*  
Village Clerk