

Brighton, Ill.  
January 7, 1976

The regular meeting of the Village Board of Brighton was called to order by the president of the board, Walter S. Ahlemeyer, at 8 p.m. in the Brighton Municipal building on January 7, 1976. The regular meeting of January 5 had been postponed to this date because a quorum could not attend on the 5th.

Clerk called roll of trustees.

Present: Little, Carr, Markwardt, Wooldridge

Absent: Wild

Minutes of regular meeting of Dec. 1 were reviewed. On Page #2 under Bills, add U. S. Post Office, stamps, \$40.00; and on page #5, Police bills, add Orland Rubemeyer, \$37.68. Wooldridge made motion to accept minutes as corrected. Markwardt seconded. Voice vote, carried unanimously.

Treasurer's Report read by Luriel Bott as follows:

Balance on hand Dec. 31-----	\$24,066.34
Revenue Sharing-----	\$14,091.18
MFT-----	15,373.13
Bldg. Bond Int. & Sink. Fund-----	20,478.56
Bond & Interest Fund-----	7,764.56
WW & Sewerage Fund-----	10,134.15
WW & Sewer. Fund Bond Reserve Acct.	44,464.71

Markwardt made motion yo svrpy. Little seconded. Voice vote, carried unanimously.

Water Board Report read by Scheffel as follows:

Receipts:

Metered customers-----	15,682.08
Bulk sales-----	332.00
Conn. fees 7 meter inst. stock-----	2,906.66
Interest received-----	545.87
Hydrant rental, Thunderbird-----	18.90
Total receipts-----	\$20,484.97

Disbursements:

Water-----	2,924.65
Payroll-----	2,464.51
Total disbursements-----	\$7,672.35

Water customers billed = 1444

Wooldridge made motion to accept Water Board report. Little seconded. Voice vote, carried unanimously.

Scheffel said old tank is out of system now and they have contacted Chicago Bridge & Iron to make inspection. The figure is \$550.00 to inspect elevated tank and if ground storage is inspected at Godfrey at same time, will be \$50.00 more. It should take about 1/2 day to inspect. When painting time comes, will have to be done again, which will be when temperature stays above 40°.

Visitors who request to be heard: Gary Miller of Sunnysaire asked what is to be done about sewers in the old part of the subdivision. Scheffel said two are on now. Ahlemeyer stated that Brown St. is ready to be paid for and as soon as Brown

Street is in, St. Cin is supposed to be taking care of that part of Sunnyaire. On lots where Rodgers is building, there is an agreement that he has to pay \$1000 per lot to St. Cin to build lines on Avalon. After negotiations between St. Cin, Illini Federal and Rodgers for sewer lines on both sides of Avalon are completed, anyone hooking on would have to run from street edge to their home, and pay Water Department a \$200 hook-on fee.

Street & Alley Report read by clerk in Farmer's absence. He has done the usual patching of streets, cleaning ditches and culverts, worked on signs, helped the Water Department, etc. He has asked for new signs for S. Main and W. Plum; Market and Center, and South and South Main. This was approved by the board and he is to be sure there is a sign at the Brighton E. City Limits Road and the same at highway reading "East City Limits Road". A letter was read from Willard Rodgers asking for a sign "Rodgers Court" to be placed at the corner of road leading into his apartments, and E. City Limits Road. Clerk was instructed to write Rodgers that we cannot install the Rodgers Court sign as this is a driveway and it is village policy to not install any street signs at private driveways. We will take care of East City Limits Road sign. Markwardt made motion to accept Street & Alley Report. Wooldridge seconded. Roll call vote, carried unanimously.

Bills read by clerk as follows:

Luella Cravens-----	\$ 206.78
Ill. Hospital & Health Service-----	39.90
State of Ill. License for new fire truck-----	5.00
U.S. Post Office, cards for Fire Dept., 1/2 to be reimb. by Betsey Ann-----	45.00
Cal's Market-----	2.85
Henry Heyen & Son, Xmas dec.-----	8.80
Masco Sales, Xmas dec.-----	2.78
Brighton Plumbing & Elec., Fire Dept. (Betsey Ann to reimb. 1/2-----	19.80
Waters Blacksmith & Welding-----	4.00
Gray's Arco, C.D.-----	8.00
Gray's Arco-----	10.00
Jones Lumber Co.-----	7.15
Brighton Plumbing & Elec.-----	13.50
Illinois Bell Telephone, Fire Dept.-----	7.04
Central Elec., 1/2 reimb. Betsey Ann-----	37.70
Walker's Service Station-----	11.58
Werts Shell Service, Fire Dept.-----	17.11
Werts Shell Service-----	48.60
Means Service Center-----	22.44
Illinois Bell Telephone-----	5.89
Rathgeb Bros.-----	37.05
Todds Sanitation-----	12.00
Lampert Agency, C.D., Van & Jeep-----	237.00
Matlack Studio, Fire Dept.-----	23.00
Argus Publishing Co.-----	45.00

Godwin Office Supply-----	\$ 3.37
C. M. Lohr-----	323.56
Bertels Sales & Service-----	27.69
Illinois Power-----	413.44
Southwest Council of Mayors-----	35.00
SS Unit, 4th quarter, Water Dept. reimb. \$1120.38-----	2083.52
Alma Rose Jones-----	101.61
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Alma Rose Jones, 3 openings-----	15.00
George Farmer-----	293.86
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First Nat'l Bank of Brighton, Dec. Fed. WH tax-----	252.80
State of Ill. Dept. of Revenue, 4th quarter-----	150.30
Jersey State Bank, Interest-----	533.42
Brighton Civic League, Rev. Sharing-----	18.77
Chas. E. Mahoney, MFT -----	170.20

A bill was read from Jack Williams Office Products for repairing Ditto machine. The repair job was not satisfactory, so clerk was instructed to hold until it was repaired satisfactorily. Markwardt made motion to pay balance of bills. Carr seconded. Roll call vote, carried unanimously.

Correspondence read by clerk as follows: Letter from Tom Rathgeb submitting his resignation as trustee because of pressure of his work. Clerk to write him accepting his resignation. This was put in form of motion by Carr, seconded by Little. Roll call vote, carried unanimously. A letter from ICC on hearing on water rate increase; letter from Delbert Black, ARBA, congratulating us on being designated a Bicentennial community; from Arlita Austin, Ill. Bicentennial Committee, acknowledging our letter regarding withdrawing our grant application for museum; letters from Findley, Vadalabene, Boyle, and Stevenson, advising that they will vote for continuing Revenue Sharing. MFT tax for November \$2335.35; Retailers tax September, \$3270.94.

Complaints: Carr mentioned a bad situation in the first block of Brown Street where cars are parking on both sides of the street. The police are to check on this where there is a car repair shop, also parking. There is also excessive noise at the car shop which police will check. There was a complaint registered about parking on both sides of High Street. Little to check with school principal regarding this.

Committee Reports: Markwardt read following police bills:

Ill. Hospital & Health Service-----	\$ 95.30
Fred Benz (Animal Control)-----	37.50
Werts Shell Service-----	35.00
Grays Arco-----	61.00
Jersey-Calhoun Vet. Clinic (Animal Control)-----	27.00
McAfee Conoco-----	287.23
Radi-Com Service (Auxiliary)-----	388.00

Rathgeb Bros.-----	\$ 95.00
Illinois Bell Telephone-----	11.73
Cal's Market (Animal Control)-----	18.27
N. O. Nelson (Animal Control)-----	24.65
Sharon Broyles-----	5.00
Henry Heyen & Son (Animal Control)-----	24.87
Orland E. Rubemeyer-----	344.50
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Wm. G. Broyles-----	360.57
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Carr made motion to pay bills. Little seconded. Roll call vote, carried unanimously.

Police Report:

Traffic tickets-----	46	Other arrests-----	2
Vandalism-----	5	Thefts-----	3
Accidents-----	6	Burglaries-----	1

Dog Report:

Picked up -----	4	Notice to purchase tag---	1
Other animals picked up, cat-	1	License purchased-----	1
Dogs claimed or sold-----	3	Disposition of bites - ok	
Dogs or other animals destroyed -	1	- Due Benz -	\$37.50.

Street Lighting Committee:

Carr said there has been one light installed on E. City Limits Road and Rodgers is not satisfied, but Kohler of Illinois Power said if the town wants to go ahead, we could put in two more lights to the west. As it is open area now, the committee did not recommend it until the school is in and the railroad crossing is taken care of, also ditches straightened out. Then we will be using the street more.

Bids on Fire Truck read by clerk as follows:

City of Medora-----	\$5525.00
James Black, Precision Auto Body, Carlinville-----	510.15

Markwardt made motion to accept bid of \$5525.00 from Medora for fire truck, and all equipment thereon. Carr seconded. Roll call vote, carried unanimously.

After Ahlemeyer's recommendation to the affect, Markwardt made motion, seconded by Carr, that as soon as we receive the check from Medora for fire truck, have the treasurer draw up a draft to Jersey State Bank and pay that amount toward the loan of \$20,000 at this bank. Roll call vote, carried unanimously.

Continuation of Water Board Report:

Scheffel said the Brown Street Sewer Line has been accepted by the Water Board, and they recommend that the Village Board also accept this line since the engineer has also approved. They are withholding 5% of the bill until clean up is done. Markwardt made motion, seconded by Little that Georgewitz be paid except 5% for clean up - \$1300. The understanding is that the city will take care of the street, but Georgewitz will clean out culverts, etc. - it is the city's responsibility after Georgewitz backfilled originally. Roll call vote, carried unanimously.

Atty. Watson said he has a special account of commitment money from the village, St. Cin, and Wells for the Brown Street job, a total of \$23,155.10 but the engineering bill is \$3010.16 which would require around \$8750.00 each. The total bill to Georgewitz is \$23,155.10 and they are withholding 5%, bringing it to \$21,997.35, and deducted \$76.33 for rock and repairs. The engineering fee is \$3010.16 plus \$82.25. Markwardt made motion to pay engineer for Brown St. sewer line job when money is available. Carr seconded. Roll call vote, carried unanimously.

Scheffel said the Water Board is to pay \$797.55 final invoice on engineering on new elevated tank and monitor. There is a pit at Godfrey that is supposed to be waterproofed, and there is water in it. Engineer is to notify Mike's Electric of this. The complete balance due Mikes Electric is \$5000 and the engineer suggests paying them \$3000 and withhold \$2000 until this waterproofing is done. Markwardt made motion to pay Mikes Electric \$3,000, withholding \$2,000 and hold up on engineer's bill until waterproofing is done, and hold all engineer's bills. Carr seconded. Roll call vote, carried unanimously.

Butch also said Sheppard has recommended that city stay on top of the 10" water line, at least, to point of David Acres. Monitoring system showing that we are not pumping as much water as pumps are designed for, or we are pumping at 28% efficiency.

Scheffel also said the Honeywell Company had asked for a service contract on the monitoring equipment. Water Board approved for one year at cost of \$3600 per year. This includes all parts and 24-hour a day, 7 days per week guarantee service within matters of hours. Also a 3-month periodical inspection. No labor charge. There is a 90-day guarantee now, on parts only. We would have to pay labor and mileage on this 90-day guarantee. The service contract would stock all parts, even though made by another company. Without contract, they only stock parts made by Honeywell. This contract would run on a yearly basis. The contract was written to start February 1. Markwardt made motion this be tabled for 90 days. Little seconded. Voice vote, carried unanimously.

Water Department approved tying in electric valve at \$400. This is being engineered.

New Business: Ahlemeyer mentioned that when one year is up, any employee is up for a raise. Markwardt suggested that the chairman of committees should make recommendations to board as to adjustments when fiscal year is over.

A letter was read from Bob Blackman, State March of Dimes Chmn. asking that January be proclaimed "March of Dimes Month" in Brighton. Markwardt made this a motion, Carr seconded. Roll call vote, carried unanimously. Clerk to notify Southwestern Journal.

A letter was read from Municipal Problems Commission announcing a hearing in Collinsville on January 28. Those who

will be going from Brighton are Little, Markwardt, Scheffel, Ahlemeyer and Bob Watson. Little made motion to send these people to Problems hearing. Carr seconded. Roll call vote, carried unanimously. Clerk to send in reservations, including dinner.

A questionnaire was read from Illinois Bell asking for permission to install telephone cables in plenums with cable in our area. Clerk to reply that this was approved.

Ahlemeyer announced Firemen's Dinner January 17. Wooldridge made motion to accept this date. Markwardt seconded. Voice vote, carried unanimously.

Ahlemeyer informed trustees of rules concerning exempt property for churches, schools, municipalities, etc. and it was announced that Carl Collins has already taken care of this.

Wooldridge asked that if at all possible that we avoid Wednesday meetings as there are other commitments for that evening.

Markwardt made motion to adjourn. Adjourned 10:35 p.m.

*Luella Cravens*  
Village Clerk