

Brighton, Ill.
March 8, 1976

The regular meeting of the Village Board of Brighton was called to order by the president of the board, Walter Ahlemeyer, at 7 p.m. in the Brighton Municipal building on March 8. The clerk called roll of trustees:

Present: Little, Carr, Markwardt, Wooldridge, Wild
Absent: None

Ahlemeyer submitted name of Robert K. Birk as appointee to fill position of trustee to replace Tom Rathgeb who had recently resigned. This until next election in 1977. Markwardt made motion to accept Birk as trustee to fill vacancy caused by resignation of Rathgeb, until next election in 1977. Carr seconded. Roll call vote, carried unanimously. Clerk swore Birk in.

Minutes of last regular meeting were reviewed. Correction: Page 4, next to last paragraph, 5th line, should be "house our equipment in exchange for salt" instead of "house our salt". Wooldridge made motion to accept after corrections. Carr seconded. Voice vote, carried unanimously.

Treasurer's Report read by Luriel Bott as follows:

Balance on hand Feb. 29 -	
Operating-----	\$ 9,367.15
Savings-----	15,017.68
Revenue Sharing-----	18,893.49
MFT-----	10,856.02
Bldg. Bond Int. & Sinking Fund-----	27,407.97
Bond & Interest Fund-----	7,811.70
Waterworks & Sewerage Fund-----	15,994.15
Waterworks & Sewerage Fund Bond Res. Acct.	
	44,464.71

Luriel advised that check from Medora for fire truck for \$5,525.00 was applied on the loan at Jersey State Bank, which leaves a balance of \$14,475.00. Also, a check for \$4,442.52 from Harris Trust has been received and turned over to Water Dept. for deposit. Carr made motion to accept treasurer's report. Little seconded. Voice vote, carried unanimously.

Water Board Report given by Scheffel as follows:

Receipts:

Metered customers-----	\$14,867.39
Bulk Sales-----	211.00
Conn. fees & meter inst. stock sales--	2,005.10
Interest received-----	342.83
Hydrant rental, Thunderbird-----	18.90
Total receipts----	\$18,109.27

Disbursements:

Water-----	2,522.93
Payroll-----	2,899.28
Total disbursements ----	\$16,391.64

Wooldridge made motion to accept financial portion of Water Board report. Carr seconded. Voice vote, carried unanimously.

Scheffel said Chicago Bridge will inspect old tank this month. One tank will cost \$500 and one \$325 for inspection. They had two water breaks in February. Carr asked about pumps that were discussed at a previous Water Board meeting and Scheffel stated that the Water Board recommends putting booster pump at David Acres, replace pump and size-up at Godfrey at cost of \$35,000 - \$40,000 which includes \$20,000 for booster pump at David Acres.

Carr made motion to accept Water Board recommendation to proceed with the booster (should be in early fall) pump located at David Acres and new pumps to replace old pumps at Godfrey pumping station. Wild seconded. Roll call vote, carried un-animously.

Street & Alley Report given by Farmer. They have done the usual patching of streets, put up signs, plowed snow and salted ice, rocked at mail boxes, worked for Water Dept. one day, worked on flags two days. Regarding culvert at Collins on Plum St. was discussed. Since it has 8" culvert now, carr made a motion to proceed with 8" culvert with required catch basins. Wooldridge seconded. Roll call vote, carried un-animously. Ahlemeyer mentioned that a culvert in front of Rudy Aldridge's place floods and Farmer will check into this. He will also check a culvert at Crestwood which Wild reported as being over half full. Little made motion to accept report. Wild seconded. Voice vote, carried un-animously.

Bills were read by the clerk as follows:

Luella Cravens-----	\$ 206.78
Ill. Hospital & Health Service-----	39.90
First Nat'l Bank of Brighton, Feb. Fed. W/H tax-----	252.80
Godwin Office Supply, Fire Dept.-----	12.02
Jones Lumber Co.-----	24.41
Clay East Supply, reimbursed-----	100.40
Werts Shell Service-----	72.36
Central Electric, \$37.12 reimb. Betsey Ann-----	74.24
McAfee Conoco-----	22.45
Ill. Bell Telephone, Fire Dept.-----	7.04
Ill. Bell Telephone, Clerk-----	13.74
Waters Blacksmith & Welding-----	49.50
Todds Sanitation Service, Jan. & Feb.-----	24.00
Frank Linn, Inc.-----	9.24
J&A Springman-----	32.19
Illinois Power Co.-----	410.02
Argus Publishing, pub. ord.-----	12.20
Nat'l Gould Auto Supply, \$10.59 reimb. Betsey Ann---	21.18
Sargent-Sowell, Inc.-----	55.10
Gary Werts, Std. Oil-----	8.66
Illini Union Bookstore, Fire Dept.-----	89.21
Brighton Plumbing & Heating-----	16.50
Hunt & Kahl, Fire Dept.-----	38.60
W. D. Gilworth Motor, Fire Dept.-----	123.85
Lampert Agency, \$80.00 Village, \$240.00 Betsey Ann---	320.00
Means Service Center-----	23.88

Alma Rose Jones-----	\$101.61
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U. S. Post Office, Brighton, stamps-----	52.00
Alma Rose Jones, 1 opening-----	5.00
George W. Farmer-----	293.86
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Cal's Market-----	30.71

Revenue Sharing:

Brighton Civic League, Books, Library-----	58.10
Thirza L. Eyers, Library, 1/2 mo. Feb.-----	72.50
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Thirza L. Eyers, Library, 1/2 mo. March-----	84.31
Jeannine McNear, Library, 1/2 mo. Feb.-----	51.35
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MFT:

C. M. Lohr, Inc., CA6-----	35.84
Chas. E. Mahoney-----	220.35
Morton Salt Co.-----	407.52

Carr made motion to pay bills and charge to proper account. Markwardt seconded. Roll call vote, carried unanimously.

Correspondence read by clerk as follows: Letter from EPA advising that we were running late on our request for grant on sewage program, that we should have sent in revised plan some time ago. Clerk had letter that Sheppard had sent EPA on Feb. 10 enclosing revised plan of study for Step 1 and designating Brighton as lead agency. Copy of letter from Steven Mottaz of Thomas, Mottaz and Eastman, Attys. at Law regarding Willard Rodgers, Sunyaire Development Company. Letter from W. E. Rodgers Construction Co. asking for more lights to be installed (two more west of existing light and these combined with an existing light near corner of highway to illuminate entire section of road from highway to apartments). A letter from Illinois Bell Telephone regarding changing over on our coin telephone. Board asked clerk to advise them to leave phone as it is now. Regarding Rodgers lights, in January 7 minutes the Street Lighting Committee had recommended that this be postponed until school is in and railroad crossing taken care of as this is just open area now. All agreed to take Rodgers' recommendation to Mr. Kohler of Ill. Power. Clerk to set up meeting, Kohler and our committee of Carr, Birk, Markwardt and George Farmer, also Willard Rodgers. Wild put this in the form of a motion with Wooldridge seconding it. Voice vote, carried unanimously. Birk felt that it might be a good idea to go ahead as if the school were done, and make one step do it. Letter from ICC regarding hearing on water rates on May 6. Municipal tax Nov. \$3172.28; MFT tax for January \$2432.32.

Committee Reports:

Markwardt read the following Police bills:

Illinois Hospital & Health Service (\$27.70 reimb.)	\$123.00
Fred Benz, Animal Control-----	41.00

Orland E. Rubemeyer-----	\$ 344.50
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Ill. Bell Telephone Co.-----	17.38
Roberts Motor, Inc.-----	67.86
Leon Uniform Co.-----	98.50
Country Companies-----	99.60
National Gould Auto Supply-----	32.67
Grays Arco-----	233.65
Godwin Office Supply-----	32.72
Wm. G. Broyles-----	360.57
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Cal's Market-----	21.23
Rocky Eveans-----	25.00

Carr made motion to pay, Little seconded. Roll call vote, carried unanimously. Police have requested a change in radio frequency to put everything in one frequency, Fire, Police, etc. The cost to be \$700.00 with Fire Dept. furnishing \$375.00 which they now have. Two Ispern units are also needed at \$80.00 each. Wooldridge made motion to table until next meeting and the Fire & Police Dept. should be here to explain their request. Wild seconded. Voice vote, carried unanimously.

Police Report:

Traffic tickets-----	20	Accidents-----	3
Notice to appear-----	8	Burglaries-----	1
Arrest on warrants-----	2	Thefts-----	2

Dog Report:

Dogs picked up-----	5	Dogs claimed or sold ---	1
Dogs or other animals destroyed----	6	Notice to purchase tag -	1
Tags purchased-----	1	Due Benz-----	\$46.00

Unfinished business: Regarding light at McElroy's store which he had asked the village to assume payments for, and tabled from last month, Birk made motion to disallow this request. Wooldridge seconded. Roll call vote, carried unanimously. Clerk to notify McElroy.

Wild asked about insurance package which we have been working on. Atty. Watson has the material and is sending for bids to be opened at April meeting.

New Business: Ahlemeyer set meeting date of Monday, Mar. 15, 7:00 p.m. (unpaid) to discuss salary raises for street superintendent, police and custodian, also prepare budget for next fiscal year.

Little made motion that all employees, IVEC, etc. be listed as city employees on official record. Carr seconded. Roll call vote, carried unanimously.

Regarding Mottaz' letter which was read under Correspondence: Atty. Watson explained that our original subdivision control ordinance was adopted 1965 and the particular area of Sunnyside that is being developed by Rodgers was platted in 1967. Village has taken position that persons developing or building now are responsible for streets in front of them, Whiteside and Rodgers. Each has put up \$600 and hooked onto water.

Whiteside is securing performance bond for his street. Atty. Watson has met with Mottaz and others concerned to try to resolve the sewer and street problem and good has come regarding sewers, but no solution as to streets. The position of the city has been that person building can add his cost into his price of house (blacktop street in front of house). Ordinance doesn't say what is considered as developer. Mottaz has asked that we file a complaint for a declaratory judgment and let court make decision as to who is intended, Sunnyaire Development Corp., or is it the subsequent owner who is responsible? Sunnyaire Development is bankrupt so if they are responsible we will never have streets. What we have to do is file a suit for declaratory judgment and let courts make decision. The cost of the suit would be around \$1000. Mottaz has suggested that either the city do it or the city and Rodgers. Rodgers and his attorney's question is, "Why should he be classified as a subdivider since he picked up some lots that a subdivider lost"? The trustees feel that they should not have to pay anyone for making a decision when they have already made it. Rodgers asked who was responsible for a vacant block where they will not be building, and was told that the builders in that area are responsible. The streets in question were Avalon to Crestwood and on Thomas. Gary Miller stated that when Whiteside put sewer in street, the street was left impassible. Clerk to get in touch with Whiteside regarding this, the street being Crestwood, and Markwardt made motion to that effect, that the village would stick to ordinance on hand. Ahlemeyer asked all trustees to meet Monday, March 15, 5 p.m. at the streets in question and try to come up with a decision on what to do. Scheffel is also to be there.

Ordinances: Carr made motion for Atty. Watson to prepare ordinance to the effect that the Zoning Committee meet once a month, study zoning ordinance, etc. and each would be paid for this meeting. The committee members to receive \$5.00, the chairman to get \$7.50. They are to keep minutes of their meetings, Little seconded. Voice vote, carried unanimously. Little made motion that Vernon Rodney, Harold Bott, and Ed Wittman be re-appointed to the Zoning Committee for a period of two years. Markwardt seconded. Roll call vote, carried unanimously. Clerk to write the Zoning Committee members as to what has transpired, also regarding ordinance and their terms of office.

Markwardt made motion that committee be authorized to take care of whatever is recommended regarding typewriter which was requested for Library. Carr seconded. Voice vote, carried unanimously. Committee appointed for this: Little, Wild, Birk, Cravens.

Telephone for Library: Clerk to contact Telephone Co. to be at next meeting to update our franchise and explain. Wooldridge made motion to have phone installed at library, as requested. Carr seconded. Roll call vote, carried unanimously. This phone was recommended by the Lewis & Clark Library System.

Old Business: Regarding service contract with Honeywell which was tabled until end of guarantee, Scheffel said that the pit in question was the responsibility of Mike's Electric and Sheppard has suggested that a certified letter be sent Mike's Electric that it must be taken care of within thirty days. The monitoring equipment has been accepted. Carr made motion to accept service contract for one year, payable monthly. Markwardt seconded. Roll call vote, carried unanimously. Ahlemeyer asked that a record be kept of exact days repair man comes up, the hour he is called, the hour he arrives, and the hour he leaves.

Broyles has asked for permission to drill a hole thru the wall for outlet for electricity, also requested outlets and covers and wire. Carr made motion, Little seconded, to authorize this. Roll call vote, carried unanimously. The Village will buy wire outlets and covers if some of our men will do the work.

Markwardt made motion to adjourn. Adjourned 10:56 p.m.

Puella Craven
Village Clerk