

Brighton, Ill.
January 3, 1977

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 January 3. Clerk called roll of trustees.

Present: Little, Birk, Carr, Wild, Markwardt
Absent: Wooldridge

Minutes of regular meeting of December 6 were reviewed. Birk made motion to accept, Carr seconded. Voice vote, carried unanimously.

Treasurer's Report given by Luriel Bott as follows:

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| General Fund Dec. 31----- | \$19,714.31 |
| Revenue Sharing Fund----- | 22,838.16 |
| MFT Fund----- | 11,669.86 |
| Bldg. Bond Int. & Sink. Fund----- | 58,167.82 |
| Bond & Interest Fund----- | 8,078.54 |
| Waterworks & Sewerage Fund----- | 9,792.50 |
| Waterworks & Sewerage Bond Reserve Acct.----- | 44,942.52 |

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

Luriel explained Antirecession Fund, that it is to be used only for help, or for support of help. Farmer was authorized to get help when needed, using this money. Luriel was instructed to keep this money in a special fund.

Visitors who request to be heard: Dennis Boren, who had recently checked out the furnaces in the municipal building, explained what he had found. He suggested cleanable filters, also felt that only one person should be in charge of working on the furnaces. He said he was willing to donate part of his time to this. He will meet with Wild who will bring recommendations back to board. All of the trustees felt that there should be a maintenance schedule set up. Markwardt made motion to authorize the building committee to set up a maintenance schedule and get the heating system straightened out now. Carr seconded. Roll call vote, carried unanimously.

Steve Redolfi of Illinois Valley Economic Development Corp. was here to explain a system under which the village could employ a public service person. Instead of Ill. Valley writing the checks, the village would do this and would be reimbursed by Ill. Valley. This reimbursement would probably be in ten days. Anyone hired under this program would sign an agreement that they understood the job would last only one year. A CETA checking account would have to be established for PSE. They have a little money now and will probably get more in March. Salary should be set at no more than starting salary, and no more than \$833.00 per month. Wages and fringe benefits for employee are reimburseable. This program covers the counties of Calhoun, Greene, Christopher, Macoupin, Jersey and Montgomery. We have the right to terminate employment if the employee is not satisfactory. Ages eligible are 18 to 65. Carr made motion, Markwardt seconded, that we fill out applications and apply for

this money for employment of six people - 1 patrolman, 4 dispatchers for Fire, Police and Ambulance, and one street maintenance man. Roll call vote, carried unanimously. Police Committee to set 1977 salary for policeman and dispatchers and Farmer to get with Street & Alley Committee to decide on street man. Ill. Valley pays any expense of fringe benefits, insurance, Social Security, Workmens' Compensation, Unemployment compensation, but Redolfi is not sure about uniforms.

Water Board Report: Since Scheffel was on vacation, no report was given. Clerk read bill from Benz Backhoe Service in amount of \$13,324.93 with a 10% retainer of \$2,703.47. This has been approved by engineer and the Water Board. Birk made motion to pay Benz, Carr seconded, Roll call vote, carried unanimously.

A bill was read from Rynders Plumbing & Heating for \$29,046.60 with retainage of \$3,227.40 which was approved by the engineer and the Water Board recommended holding up for their continued meeting to be held on Wednesday, January 5. Carr made motion, Birk seconded, that authority be given Water Board for payment if, and when they approve. Roll call vote, carried unanimously. Benz asked if his performance bond could be released. Atty. Watson said this would be o.k. Carr made motion to release bond, Markwardt seconded. Roll call vote, carried unanimously.

Street & Alley Report: Farmer said the railroad ditch is cleaned out all the way up, he has also plowed snow, salted, worked two days leveling at park and seven days for Water Department. Dirt has been put in ravine. Police to check ravine at park for dumping as none should be done. Committee recommends going ahead with trussed roof on water building only, and take care of it, then take care of the other later. They recommended white metal so it will all match, and they should get bids right away. Carr felt we should investigate purchase of a new truck. The Roofing committee and Farmer are to check into a one or two year old, or a new truck and the plans are to put this in next years appropriations. Committee was given authority to proceed with the understanding it has to be bid.

Wild made motion to authorize Water Dept. to prepare and advertise for bids for roof for shed, Markwardt seconded. Roll call vote, carried unanimously. Bids will be advertised for after May 1, but they will decide what is wanted before that date.

Bills for month of December were read by clerk:

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| Luriel Bott----- | \$100.00 |
| Luella Cravens----- | 206.78 |
| Cal's IGA Market----- | 2.78 |
| Gray's Amoco----- | 53.04 |
| Gray's Amoco, Fire Dept.----- | 71.03 |
| Wert's Shell Service----- | 115.34 |
| Jack Williams Office Products----- | 31.25 |
| Illinois Power Co.----- | 419.22 |
| Sargent-Sowell, Inc., Fire Dept.----- | 42.56 |
| Means Service Center----- | 17.47 |
| Illinois Bell Telephone Co.----- | 25.81 |
| Illinois Bell Telephone Co., Fire Dept.----- | 7.14 |
| Rathgeb Bros.----- | 1.20 |
| Werts Shell Service, Fire Dept.----- | 21.15 |

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| Joe Allen, Fire Dept.----- | \$150.00 |
| Lampert Insurance Agency, Adjustment----- | 525.98 |
| Illinois Hospital & Health Service----- | 41.60 |
| First Nat'l Bank of Brighton, Dec. Fed. W/H Tax----- | 317.40 |
| SS Unit, State Employ. Retire. System of Ill., 4th quarter SS - \$1217.64 reimb. Water Dept.----- | 2384.98 |
| State of Ill. Dept. of Revenue, 4th quarter W/H----- | 194.38 |
| Alma Rose Jones----- | 114.68 |
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| George W. Farmer----- | 330.49 |
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| Jersey State Bank, Int. only----- | 304.38 |
| Mark E. Kruse (to be reimb. Antirecession Fund)----- | 50.64 |
| Lester Bierman " " " " "----- | 61.69 |
| Alma Rose Jones, 1 opening----- | 5.00 |
| <u>Revenue Sharing:</u> | |
| Thirza L. Eyers, Library----- | 99.93 |
| Don Werts, Sr., Recreation----- | 180.00 |
| Illinois Bell Telephone Co., Library----- | 2.99 |
| Antirecession Fund, Transfer----- | 959.00 |
| Thirza L. Eyers, Library----- | 92.72 |
| <u>MFT:</u> | |
| C. M. Lohr, Inc., CM6----- | 18.43 |
| General Fund transfer, Operator's time----- | 3038.40 |
| General Fund transfer, Equipment rental----- | 4904.52 |

A bill was also read from Country Companies in amount of \$456.00 in addition to \$6388.00 which we had paid for package insurance. This bill was discussed and clerk was instructed to tell Country Companies that we only want insurance that was bid on the original bid sheet. Birk made motion to pay all bills except Country Companies. Wild seconded. Roll call vote, carried unanimously.

Correspondence read by clerk as follows: Letter from U.S. Dept. of Commerce stating that our application for a grant of \$617,500 for water system improvements had been received and assigned #IL-0840. Letter from Country Mutual Insurance asking us to correct some hazards or conditions in our Fire Dept. MFT tax for November, \$2901.29; Municipal tax for September, \$3866.86. Carr made motion to accept correspondence. Little seconded. Voice vote, carried unanimously.

Resolution: Clerk read Resolution for Brighton to continue participation in the program under the Illinois Fire Protection and Training Act. Carr made motion, Markwardt seconded, to pass this resolution. Roll call vote, carried unanimously.

Committee Reports: Markwardt read the following Police Report:

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| Accidents----- | 3 | Traffic tickets----- | 14 |
| Other arrests----- | 3 | Burglaries----- | 1 |
| Thefts----- | 2 | Vandalism----- | 6 |

Dog Report:

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| Dogs picked up----- | 8 | Dogs claimed or sold---- | 3 |
| Dogs or other animals destroyed | - 5 - | Notice to tie dogs - 1 | |
| Due Benz----- | \$51.00 | | |

The police have asked that a street light be placed between North Street and Center on Olive. Street Lighting committee will check into this. Police have asked to purchase book from International Assn. of Police.

Police bills:

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| Fred Benz (Animal Control)----- | \$51.00 |
| Ill. Bell Telephone Co.----- | 20.65 |
| Int'l Assn. of Chiefs of Police----- | 6.45 |
| Grays Amoco----- | 92.69 |
| McAfee Conoco----- | 173.94 |
| Orland E. Rubemeyer, Court----- | 4.00 |
| Richard Woods, Court----- | 4.00 |
| Bledsoe Service Station----- | 12.31 |
| Ill. Hospital & Health Service----- | 99.60 |
| Orland E. Rubemeyer----- | 366.20 |
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| Wm. G. Broyles----- | 383.47 |
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| Badger Uniforms (Rubemeyer's allowance)----- | 29.95 |
| Orland E. Rubemeyer, Corr. in previous check----- | 7.12 |

Birk made motion to accept reports, pay bills and also purchase book requested. Carr seconded. Roll call vote, carried unanimously.

New Business: Ahlemeyer announced Firemens Dinner will be Jan. 15. It was brought out that this dinner qualifies us for state insurance. Clerk was instructed to have something special added to this dinner since all firemen are volunteers. Carr made motion to go ahead with dinner. Birk seconded. Voice vote, carried unanimously.

Clerk announced a meeting in Alton Jan. 14 by State Board of Elections, for clerks. Markwardt made motion to send clerk, Little seconded. Roll call vote, carried unanimously.

Ahlemeyer asked Markwardt and Little to be committee to look into salaries of clerk and trustees for next four years, and also consider having a full time clerk. He asked that mayor's salary not be raised. Committee to have information for next board meeting. They are also to check on treasurer's salary.

Problems: Birk felt that traffic lights are needed at Center and Route 111-67. Clerk to write State that this is a very dangerous crossing and we would like consideration of a traffic light at this location, also a flashing light at curve on Main and 111-67. They are to inform us when they will be having count.

Birk made motion to adjourn. Adjourned 9:20 p.m.

Sueella Craven
Village Clerk