

Brighton, Ill.
April 4, 1977

The regular meeting of the Village Board of Brighton was called to order by the president of the board, Walter Ahlemeyer, at 7:00 p.m. in the Brighton municipal building on April 4. Clerk called roll of trustees.

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

Minutes of regular meeting of March 7 and special meeting of March 17 were reviewed. On page 4, first paragraph, tentative date for delivery of new police car is March 22. Carr made motion to accept reports with corrections. Wooldridge seconded. Voice vote, carried unanimously. Ahlemeyer explained that the reason the grant was not pursued for recreational buildings was that the Building Trades Council would not give us a letter of approval to accompany the application, and this letter was required.

Treasurer's Report read by Luriel Bott as follows, for period ending March 31:

General Fund-----	\$17,837.12
Revenue Sharing Fund-----	26,909.53
Antirecession Fund-----	418.91
MFT Fund-----	9,796.94
Building Bond Interest & Sinking Fund-----	71,825.48
Bond & Interest Fund-----	8,178.33
Waterworks & Sewerage Fund-----	18,582.50
Waterworks & Sewerage Bond Reserve Acct.-----	42,408.75

Little made motion to accept report, Wild seconded. Roll call vote, carried unanimously.

Illinois Valley Economic Development Corporation representative, Steve Redolfi, was here to discuss hiring of a policeman under their program. He explained this program and said one job slot has been approved. Old Title VI is on "back burner" for now, but there is a possibility for more job slots. The names of Tolle, Pifer, Huber, Burton, Bourland, Allen, and Slaughter have been submitted. Ahlemeyer set date of Monday, April 11, 7 p.m. for interviews. Clerk to notify all but those that have gone directly to Redolfi. Redolfi explained that there is a national policy that veterans are to be given preference where possible. He has to attend these interviews to take minutes and verify that no-one's civil rights are violated.

Water Board Report given by Scheffel as follows:

Receipts:

Metered customers-----	\$17,319.93
Bulk sales-----	298.00
Connection fees & meter installation sales--	1,539.95
Hydrant Rental, Thunderbird-----	19.25
Total receipts-----	\$22,462.95

Disbursements:

Water-----	3,790.15
Power-----	896.97
Payroll-----	2,746.38

Total disbursements----- \$32,539.09

Water customers billed-----1519

Scheffel said they had to get two pumps. \$21,000 bill was remainder of original bid of \$55,000 for whole works for booster pumps at Godfrey Reloading, two new pumps at Godfrey pumping station plus chlorination. Our gallonage is about 240 gal. per minute. Engineer said it would triple, but as yet, has not although it has more than doubled. Increase in size of pumps at Godfrey helped so have not ran booster pumps for three weeks. Synchronizer works under monitoring system. Butch said Water Board had given Sheppard authority to contact Chicago Bridge to make a more thorough inspection of water tank to see if it comes up with exact number of pits so can let out for bids. Cost between \$3000 and \$4000 to get this determination. This has to be done with a preliminary sand blasting. If it can be repaired for \$20,000 - \$30,000 instead of \$70,000, the extra gallonage would be worth it. Butch said EPA will not be doing any more water sample testing and it will be up to village to do own testing or hire a certified laboratory to do it. Madison Co. Environmental office at Edwardsville has been recommended to do this testing. We would be allowed six tests per month. Also, we could buy our own equipment at cost of about \$3500. Water Board will get in touch with Shipman, Medora, etc. to see if they want us to do their testing because Scheffel or Steve Waggoner are qualified to do this. Equipment would be set up at sewer plant.

Roof on Water Department shed is finished.

Ahlemeyer mentioned that the last couple of weeks have been very trying times for the Water & Sewer Dept. because of heavy rains and power failure. This particularly affected Georgine Acres at Mobile and Palmer. Scheffel said representatives of EPA had been down in reply to letters received from residents of this area. They did not have an answer. Butch explained in detail the problems he had had with lift stations. He said there was no way to put Virginia St. on gravity. The Water Board is proceeding with sewer off Brown Street. Scheffel did say that Sheppard had said if everything goes right, some of the needed lift stations could probably be taken in on the grant that we have a request for. EPA has said they would review our grant situation, but there has been no reply as yet. Carl Bock asked if it is legal to pump raw sewage in peoples yards. It was explained that the material had to be pumped, and it was supposed to go into ditches, but apparently the ditches could not hold all of it. Part of this is because the ditch at Burlington tracks has been filled with debris and garbage, etc. by people in the area and it could not drain properly. Ed Taylor, Mobile, was told that a complaint should be signed to the Police Department. Complaints were voiced about Elvis Davis, Michael Orr, Donald Worix and Howard Cook for throwing things in the ditch. The Taylors were also told to sign a complaint. Carl Bock also complained about material being pumped into yards. Markwardt asked if it could be screened, could they put up with water. Bock said o.k. if done at once - he threatened to take suit on city if not fixed.

H. G. Edgar, Mobile, complained about open burning.

Carr made motion to accept Water Board report and recommendations. Little seconded. Voice vote, carried unanimously. Other remedies were offered to help the situation in Georgine Acres. Birk asked if some plastic pipe would help. Butch said EPA said if grant would be two years away, they would write a letter to the state that something had to be done with Virginia Street, but the question is what are we going to do with it. This will be studied further.

Martin Huebener, speaking for Betsey Ann Assn. said that Joe Marston of the Cemetery Assn. had said the cemetery has used all but one acre of the original 10 acres that they had. They wonder if it would be possible to acquire part of the grounds which lies south of the cemetery at present time which Betsey Ann holds title to, but village of Brighton has 99 year lease on. There is approximately 8 acres in this lease and they feel that they might need the property in about ten years, but thought they should plan ahead. This would mean an acre every ten years or so, or as needed. Mr. Maher of Betsey Ann said the only reason there was a time element in this is that the cemetery board is planning their expansion now and they want to know if they can put a road through and if they lay it out in lots, would they know they would get the land. Birk was concerned that this might change the ball diamond. The only direction to go is south and there seems to be about 100' between the cemetery and the ball diamond. Atty. Watson mentioned that the village had spent around \$8,000 to \$9,000 to clear the land, \$2700 to put lights in one diamond, are now building a \$3000 concession stand, \$20,000 for tennis courts. To uproot all this and buy land elsewhere for around \$3000 per acre, then re-build all this would be an enormous expense. The Betsey Ann men were assured that the Village Board would look into this.

Street & Alley Report given by George Farmer as follows: Two days work on sidewalk, five days patching holes, six days new signs, one day with engineer, put in culverts, cleaned streets, cleaned culverts, graded on north road by new school. Little made motion to accept report. Carr seconded. Voice vote, carried unanimously. George said he has the balance of the trees to put in. He is to place some of them on the east side of the street to balance, if possible. He has fixed the Burlington track, but they took the blacktop out. Little mentioned the sidewalk at Whipples was in bad shape. Regarding post office entrance, Little has talked with Billings. They have no plans for re-arranging. Billings thought an 8' or 12' extension on Boker would help to widen entranceway, and still enter on Boker. Clerk read letter from Billings. Committee to look at this situation again.

Correspondence read by clerk as follows:
Letter from Thos. and JoAnn Sichira asking if they could add a 12 x 12 concrete slab at rear of the old Western Auto store which they have just taken possession of. Birk made motion to grant approval. Wild seconded. Roll call vote, carried unanimously. Letter from Barbara Ann Wilson asking for use of auditorium for Alumni banquet. Birk made motion, Little seconded, that they be allowed usage of the facilities on

April 30 at no cost to them. Voice vote, carried unanimously. Letter from Jack Williams Office Products explaining why their recent bill was so high. Carr made motion to pay this bill, Markwardt seconded. Roll call vote,

Little -----	Yes	Markwardt-----	Yes
Carr-----	Yes	Wooldridge-----	Yes
Birk-----	No	Wild-----	Yes

Motion carried.

Lippold & Arnett letter offering one ton of cold mix free. Their regular price is \$14.00 per ton picked up at their lot, or on orders of 14 tons or more, they will deliver for \$14.00. We are now paying \$13.00 per ton. George to decide if he wants to take advantage of the free load. Letter from George L. Kruse asking if he could form a corporation of which he would be president, to operate "Joe's Tavern". Atty. Watson said this would require changing of ordinance. If George is president of corporation and would decide to sell his controlling stock to someone else, would he have to live in city limits? It depends upon how ordinance is drawn up. Birk moved that we amend ordinance, Wild seconded, so that it can be owned by the corporation rather than the individual and that the president live in the city (also the major stock holder) of Brighton. Roll call vote,

Little-----	Yes	Markwardt-----	Yes
Carr-----	Yes	Wooldridge-----	No
Birk-----	Yes	Wild-----	Yes

Motion carried. Atty. Watson instructed to change ordinance. Note of thanks from the Henry Orban family for flowers sent to funeral home. Note of thanks from Pat Walter, Sec. Brighton Civic League, thanking us for use of building for their recent bake sale and luncheon. MFT tax for Feb. \$1721.48; Municipal tax for Dec. \$4651.04.

Committee Reports (Police Report)

Markwardt read the following police bills:

Illinois Hospital & Health Service-----	\$99.60
McAfee Service Station-----	94.58
K&L Service-----	214.02
Grays Amoco-----	49.52
Jersey-Calhoun Veterinary Clinic (Animal Control)-----	12.00
Sargent-Sowell-----	12.50
Harbor Electronics-----	32.00
Roberts Motors-----	15.95
Werts Shell Service-----	71.96
Fred Benz, Police work-----	17.50
Wm. Broyles, 1 day Court-----	4.00
Orland E. Rubemeyer, 2 days Court-----	8.00
Orland E. Rubemeyer, clothing allowance-----	1.00
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Wm. G. Broyles-----	383.47
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U. S. Post Office, Stamps-----	13.00

Police Report:

Traffic tickets-----	14	Accidents-----	2
Burglaries-----	1	Vandalism-----	2
Total calls-----	93		

The Police Dept. has a chance to get in a Leeds terminal which is a computer terminal for print-outs where have access to state and federal computer banks. There is a

monthly charge of \$50.00. Jerseyville has gotten a grant for this item and we have the chance to take advantage of its use. Broyles said it is hard to judge how many times a year it will be used. Wooldridge asked what we are doing with the machine we paid \$300 for last year and Broyles said the Leeds was not a reality last year when we got the machine. Wild asked if this will replace any of our radios that are in constant need of repairs and Broyles said it would not. The Police have also asked for a shield for the new police car which they should be getting soon. This will cost \$198.00 plus \$15.00 for shipping. Carr made motion to pay police bills and accept committee's report. Little seconded. Roll call vote:

Little-----	Yes	Markwardt-----	Yes
Carr-----	Yes	Wooldridge-----	No
Birk-----	No	Wild-----	No

Vote did not pass.

Carr withdrew motion and it was decided to break down in three sections and re-submit. Little agreed. Carr made motion to pay police bills, Little seconded. Roll call vote, carried unanimously. Little made motion to table Leeds terminal and re-schedule after new fiscal year. Wild seconded. In this motion, it was also specified that each trustee take an opportunity to look into the Leeds terminal offering. Voice vote, carried unanimously. Little made motion that we purchase a new shield for new police car when it arrives. Markwardt seconded. Voice vote, carried unanimously.

Hearing on Proposed Use of Revenue Sharing funds date set Thursday, April 21, 7 p.m. Also will canvass ballots and pay city officials on this date.

Zoning Report: Gary Miller said that a public hearing on proposed trailer park on W. Center was held March 29 and that Glenn McElroy has withdrawn his application. Jay Sitzes, who recently resigned from Zoning Committee, has asked to be reinstated. Markwardt made motion he be re-appointed to complete his term as a member of the Zoning Board. Wooldridge seconded. Voice vote, carried unanimously.

Election: Each trustee submitted name for judge of election to be held April 19. Submitted were: Leola Little, Henriette Hinman, Dorothy Powell, Jeannie Bott and June Lucker. Clerk to advise them of their appointment.

Grant for signs: Clerk had sent forms in to the state on Mr. Hubbert of DOT's suggestion, for partial reimbursement of sign grant, but was later told by Mr. Rock of DOT that since our grant was under \$50,000 all must be submitted at one time, when job is completed. DOT will send someone down when all signs are in and we inform them.

Dog Inoculation Day: Clerk announced Apr. 29, 5:30 - 8 p.m. as Dog Inoculation day. She was instructed to publish in both newspapers.

Farmer asked to meet with a couple of the trustees regarding the culvert at the post office.

Bills were read by clerk:

Luriel Bott-----	\$100.00
Luella Cravens-----	206.78
Ill. Hospital & Health Service-----	41.60
Jack Williams Office Supply-----	10.00
Dennis Cooling & Heating-----	227.00
Grays Amoco-----	2.00
Ill. Bell Telephone Co. (Clerk)-----	19.35
Means Services-----	7.00
Werts Shell Service, Fire Dept.-----	2.78
Brighton Plumbing & Elec.-----	15.96
Henry Heyen & Son-----	53.95
Clay East - to be reimb. Dennis, McElroy & Davis-----	329.80
Werts Shell Service-----	72.30
Alton Telegraph-----	10.25
Democrat Publishing Co.-----	5.70
Carlinville Democrat-----	202.00
P. F. Pettibone Co.-----	36.87
Building Products & Service-----	40.25
Ruth Industries, Inc.-----	82.15
Illinois Office Supply-----	48.98
Towers Fire Apparatus, 1/2 Betsey Ann-----	23.29
Illinois Power-----	412.32
Harbor Electronics, Fire Dept.-----	24.85
Sec. of State, Change trailer title-----	3.00
First Nat'l Bank of Brighton, Fed. W/H March-----	309.60
State of Ill. IRS, 1st quarter WH-----	207.28
SS Unit Sta. Empl. Retire. (\$1189.98 reimb. Water Dep.-----	2449.90
Treas. of State of Ill., Adm. expense, SS-----	16.20
George Farmer-----	330.49
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U. S. Post Office, Stamps, Clerk-----	39.00
Community Sanitation, March-----	12.50
Alma Rose Jones, 3 openings-----	15.00

On Dennis Cooling & Heating bill which covered repairs of three motors that were burned out during a recent storm, clerk was instructed to ask Dennis for a statement that the storm caused this damage, and to try to collect insurance on this. Little made motion to pay bills, Carr seconded. Roll call vote, carried unanimously.

Markwardt made motion to authorize clerk to sign form giving Ill. Bell permission to perform work as indicated in their plan, also MFT Maintenance forms for 1977. Carr seconded. Roll call vote, carried unanimously.

The problem of drainage in Georgine Acres was again brought up. Scheffel is to explain problem to engineer and point out some of the things that have been mentioned here, such as plastic hose on end of pumps, etc., and see if the problem can be solved. In the meantime, we could try this route if we want to.

There have been complaints about dogs running loose. Fred to pick up.

Wild asked Benz when he was going to clean up after doing sewer work in Sunnyaire. Fred said the weather had been too bad, that the ground was too muddy now to work in it.

Village Clerk Hours: All trustees were asked for opinions. Carr made motion to set hours for clerk 10 to 12 a.m. and 2 to 5:30 p.m. Wooldridge seconded. Wooldridge withdrew his second. He then seconded again. Roll call vote:

Little-----	No	Markwardt-----	No
Carr-----	Yes	Wooldridge-----	Yes
Birk-----	No	Wild-----	No

Motion did not carry. Little moved to make hours 9 to 12 a.m. and 1 to 4 p.m. five days a week, Monday through Friday. Wild seconded. Roll call vote, carried unanimously.

Birk mentioned that we have a generator, but need a box to operate it with. This will cost around \$300 but is necessary. Markwardt made motion to authorize purchase of this generator box, Little seconded. Voice vote, carried unanimously. Birk to order.

Little made motion to adjourn. Adjourned 11:23 p.m.

Ruella Cravens
Village Clerk