

# BOARD MEETING

## Minutes

Village of Brighton Board Meeting

206 S. Main

Brighton, IL 62012

**Monday, March 03, 2014 7:00 PM**

1. Pledge of Allegiance:
2. Roll Call: Mayor Schafer called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM, March 03, 2014. Roll Call: Dawdy-Y, Oertel-Y, Benz-Y, Jacoby-Y, Roberts-Y, Boyd-Y. Also in attendance: Kirsten Blackorby-treasurer, Steve Mount-EMC/American Water MGR, Police Chief Levertt and Billie Laubscher, Village Clerk
3. Review Minutes and Approve: Oertel made a motion to approve the February 2014 minutes and place them on file. Jacoby by 2<sup>nd</sup>. Voice Vote, All ayes, No nays, Motion Carried.
4. Treasures Report: Dawdy made a motion to approve the February 2014 treasurer's report and place it on file. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Roberts. Voice Vote, All ayes, No nays, Motion Carried.
5. Bills: Oertel made a motion to approve the bills and place them on file, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Boyd. Voice Vote, All ayes, No nays, Motion Carried.
6. Hours by Employees: Dawdy made a motion to approve the February 2014 employee hours and place it on file, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jacoby. Voice Vote, All ayes, No nays, Motion Carried.
7. Audience Comment: Courtney from Robins Manor requested use of Schneider Park April 12 for Easter Egg Hunt. Oertel made motion to allow Robins Manor to use Schneider Park on April 12 and to donate \$250 to Robins Manor. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Benz. Roll Call, All Ayes, no Nays, Motion Carried.
8. Correspondence: Dawdy made motion to accept correspondence and place them on file, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Roberts. Roll Call, All ayes, no nays, Motion Carried.

MFT: \$ 4,970.22

MUT: \$12,146.87

### Committee Reports:

- 1) Burning Pile-No February 2014 Meeting
  - 2) Economic-No February 2014 Meeting
  - 3) Clerks Committee-No February 2014 Meeting
  - 4) Park Committee-Oertel read the Park Committee meeting minutes. Roberts made a motion to accept the Park Committee minutes and place them on file. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jacoby. Voice Vote, All Ayes, No Nays, Motion Carried.
  - 5) Public Safety Committee-Jacoby read the Public Safety Committee meeting minutes. Discussion that Lawmen needs to be caught up. This was approved in the Board Meeting November 2013 at rate of \$16 per hour. The first candidate cannot take the job. There is another candidate, Robin Manns, available at \$13.50 per hour with Oklahoma Police Task Force experience. Mayor hired her as appointed position. Will be on April Agenda.
- *Action Item:* Residency Requirement for Officers including Chief, Public Safety Committee recommends to Board to use a 15 mile residency requirement within 1 year of hire date with a consensual extension of another year. Oertel made a motion to have Attorney Watson draw up an ordinance allowing 15 mile residency requirement within 1 year with consensual extension of

another year, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dawdy, Roll call, Dawdy-Y, Oertel-Y, Benz-N, Jacoby-Y, Roberts-N-Boyd-Y.  
Motion Carried.

- *Action Item:* Grant from USDA is for 15% off price. Public Safety Committee suggests a black SUV, Dawdy made a motion to continue with grant application in order to purchase this car, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Benz. Roll Call, All Ayes, no Nays, Motion Carried
- *Action Item:* Public Safety recommends Taser 26 XP, purchasing 2 at price of under \$1,000 each. Attorney Watson suggests we talk to our insurance. Billie will call insurance. Chief discussed this is less than lethal and keeps the officers safe with a minimum force. Dawdy made motion to purchase 2 Taser 26 XP, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Oertel. Roll Call, Dawdy-Y, Oertel-Y, Benz-Y, Jacoby-Y, Roberts-N, Boyd-N. Motion Carried.

Oertel made a motion to accept the Public Safety Committee minutes and place them on file. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dawdy. Voice Vote, All Ayes, No Nays, Motion Carried.

6) Public Works Committee-Dawdy read the Public Works Committee meeting minutes.

- *Action Item:* Brighton Christian Church, Steve has bench tested the meter, it is 100% accurate. His department did read the meter daily for a week during which only used 8 GA during that time. The excessively high water bill used 20,700 GA. Board discussed the usage and the meter being correct. Roberts made motion to waive late fees only and charge the water/sewer usage, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Boyd. Roll Call, Dawdy-Y, Oertel-N, Benz-Y, Jacoby-Y, Roberts-Y, Boyd-Y, Motion Carried.
- St. Pauls Methodist Church has a check valve system in place which allows the village water to backflow. It's a pressure sump pump. A new sump pump needs to be put in with battery backup. Church is asking us to waive the sewer on the bill. If the current sump pump back siphons in our system, the potential for hazard and health hazard is there. This could back flow into our system, and shut our system down. Attorney asked if there's a form asking if there's a cross connection. First issue is Church asking us to write off the sewer portion when there was excessive water usage when their pump failed and drained water into their yard. Jacoby made a motion to waive the excessive sewer amount only and give a time of 30 days to fix the problem valve, Roll Call, Dawdy-Y, Oertel-Abstained, Benz-Y, Jacoby-Y, Roberts-Y, Boyd-Y. Motion Carried
- Sancamper Properties, 118 West Plum Street made a motion to not waive the unpaid balance. Roberts made a motion, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dawdy, Roll Call, All Ayes, No Nays. Motion Carried
- *Action Item:* W. Center is in Pre-ap stage with USDA hoping to get thru that quickly.
- *Action Item:* EMC (now known as American Water) contract up for renewal. Discussed bidding this out. Previous Board 3 years ago negotiated this contract. All this is an amendment for 1% increase first year and 2% second and 2% third year. Roberts discussed wanting this bid out. He volunteered to head up a committee to do this. He suggested using American Water contract as basis for bid. Roberts made a motion to bid out contract by April 15, 2014, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Benz. Roll Call: Dawdy-N Oertel-N, Benz-Y, Jacoby-N, Roberts Y, Boyd-Y. Tie Vote, Mayor-N. Mayor asks if any more discussion on American Water Contract. No further discussion at this time.
- Cass Sheppard discussed W. Center Street. Low bid was RCS. Fred Benz asked how we going to pay for this? Put it out for bid to private institutions. Mayor suggest securing against BDA. Mayor discussed a route of financing for 10 year period ARM rates or one total fixed rates for 10 years. Discussed flexible loan rate. If we privately finance this, law is 10 years. Do we wish to accept Public Works recommendation to use RCS and add replacing the water line over the old line? RCS came back with 107,500 to replace the current line this would go over. The RCS price is still the

lowest bid. The water line coming off Jersey is a 10" line and is the only line that cannot be avoided. We are talking putting a new water line, going East and West, South Side. Jacoby made a motion to accept the low bid of RCS for W. Center Street of \$798,000. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Oertel. Roll Call, Dawdy-Y, Oertel-Y, Benz-N, Jacoby-Y, Roberts-N, Boyd-Y, Motion Carried

- Oertel made a motion to add the replacement of water line and take from the Water Account. Dawdy 2<sup>nd</sup>. Roll Call, Dawdy-Y, Oertel-Y, Benz-Y, Jacoby-Y, Roberts-N, Boyd-N. Motion Carried.
- Dawdy made a motion to obtain private financing for W. Center Street, Roll Call Dawdy-Y, Oertel-Y, Benz-N, Jacoby-Y, Roberts-N, Boyd-N. Tie vote, Mayor- Y, Motion Carried
- Boyd made a motion to accept the Public Works minutes and place them on file. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jacoby Voice Vote, All Ayes, No Nays, Motion Carried.

- 7) Zoning Committee-Billie read the Zoning Committee meeting minutes. Discussed Willow Way Sign. Attorney Watson will find out if on right of way or Easement. Oertel made a motion to accept with exception of 7 Willow Way, for further investigation on easement, water and sewer lines. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jacoby. Roll Calls, All ayes, no nays, Motion Carried.
- 8) Attorney Watson adds that there's a special Zoning Meeting to amend single family R2A and downtown frontage material.
- 9) Planning Commission-No February 2014 Meeting

#### **Old Business:**

#### **New Business:**

Benz made a motion to go into executive session at 8:42 to discuss personnel. Boyd 2<sup>nd</sup>. Roll Call, All Ayes, No Nays, Motion Carried.

Dawdy made a motion to come out of executive session at 8:56 PM, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Boyd. Roll Call, All ayes, No nays, Motion Carried.

No further motions or discussion at this time.

1. **Adjournment:** Jacoby made a motion to adjourn at 8:56 pm. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Boyd. Voice Vote, All Ayes, No nays, Motion Carried.

Minutes submitted by:

Billie Laubscher

Village Clerk