

BOARD MEETING

MINUTES

Village of Brighton Board Meeting

206 S. Main

Brighton, IL 62012

Monday July 06, 2016 7:00 PM

Pledge of Allegiance:

1. Roll Call: Mayor Schafer called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. Present: Trustee's Kent Scheffel, Bill Oertel, Chris Seniker, Paige Beilsmith, Mike Roberts. Absent: Jamie Boyd. Also present: Attorney Watson, Public Works Manager Ron Smith, Treasurer Laura Doll and Clerk Billie Laubscher
2. Review Minutes and Approval: Mike Roberts made a motion to approve the minutes and place them on file. 2nd by Kent Scheffel. Roll Call: All ayes, no nays. Motion Carried.
3. Treasurer Reports (Village and Water): Bill Oertel made a motion to accept the treasurer report, 2nd by Chris Seniker. Roll Call: All ayes, no nays. Motion Carried.
4. Review Bills and Approval: Bill Oertel made a motion to approve the bills and charge to appropriate accounts, 2nd by Kent Scheffel. Roll Call: All ayes, no nays. Motion Carried.
5. Hours by Employees: Informational
6. Audience Comment: Gary Milligan, son Mathew Milligan and wife Jamie bought a house North of town. The water meter is 500 feet from the house and he has spoken to IDOT which says they will give approval for Village to run waterline in two days. Mayor discussed the water line ends at Grant Estates. It meters out at that end. We would allow you to go from your property to tap on there. Unfortunately, we don't have any line any further North. Gary Milligan asked if fire hydrant could be put there. The lowest cost method is to try to secure an easement from that land owner and bring line up to the city waterline where we could put another meter there. Mayor discussed we cannot secure a land easement from IDOT which is usually 45 day turn around. For the Village to extend the line out, there would have to be IDOT approval, land easement from private home owner and engineering costs. It's probably must cost effective for Gary Milligan to go with their 1" waterline to Village meter and work with the other property land owners and secure a permanent easement. Mayor suggests since Village cannot run the line due to the costs associated, could Board forego the tap on fee? Board discussed if Village runs 8" up, would 5 or 6 houses be able to get on Brighton Water? Mayor suggests as the lowest cost method is to have Milligan's talk to land owners and see if they could secure an easement. In meantime, this could be taken back to Public Works to see if 8" waterline going north is feasible. Attorney Watson suggests that the quickest and most economical for them to secure easement and run the lines to our meter with approval from Grants Estates. The next Public Works meeting is 4th Monday, July 25, 2016.

Eric Benefiel, 3 months ago he had brought forth pictures of dumpster overflowing. Now not only is there a dumpster, now there's a garbage truck that sits there. Eric asks how hard is it going to be bring businesses into town seeing stuff like this. Or how many would be willing to build next to this? He passed around pictures of this truck and then pictures of how the street has been crushed. This street had been repaired a couple years ago by our Public Works. He understands driving your work vehicle home however there are many things that need addressed. This effects everything. Mayor will talk to the business tomorrow about bringing their work trucks to their home and dumpster usage. Chris Seniker discussed derelict cars, dumpsters, and weed nuisances are all current issues that Public Safety

can address. Currently sending notice, then Village issues a citation. Then further legal action if needed.

Eleanor Hindley discussed the storage sheds coming down the rock lane and why can't they cut the curb out and go in that way. Mayor discussed that they damaged the curb when they started building the storage units and at that time the Village had contacted Ahlemeyer stating he was to fix this curb and sidewalk to the code specified by ordinance with approval of Public Works Manager. As of to date, this has not been done. Mayor discussed that the Village is on limited income and cannot build a road on private property. When it comes to private property, Village cannot force the land owners to build a road since there are no ordinances in place regarding roads on private property. Mayor reminded the Board that this was brought to the Board Members several years asking for Ordinance on building roads on private property which did not pass. Therefore we have nothing in place other than we can force the curb and sidewalk to be repaired.

7. Correspondence:

- IL Dept Commerce-Enterprise Zone Letter
- RR IDOT email

Bill Oertel made a motion to approve the Correspondence and place them on file, 2nd by Kent Scheffel. Voice Vote, All ayes, no nays. Motion Carried.

Committee Reports:

1) **Clerk Committee**- No Meeting

2) **Economic Committee** – 06/07/2016 Meeting Minutes. Paige Beilsmith updated Board that Economics sending out Business Registrations tomorrow and getting ready for MS Bike September 9-10, 2016.

Chris Seniker made a motion to approve the Economic Minutes and place them on file, 2nd by Mike Roberts. Voice Vote: All ayes, no nays. Motion Carried.

3) **Park Committee**-06/9/2016 Meeting Minutes: Mike Roberts updated Board regarding Independence Day at the Park. The ride company would like to come back next year. We are looking forward to a bigger, better event next year. Mayor thanks Chairman Mike Roberts and John Bramley along with all the Parks Committee on such a great job on the event and the fireworks. The parking lot looks great. Mike discussed that they're trying to do a food truck festival where all the food trucks come and a possible band hopefully Second Sunday in September.

Bill Oertel made a motion to approve the Park Minutes and place them on file, 2nd by Chris Seniker. Voice Vote: All ayes, no nays. Motion Carried.

4) **Planning Commission**-06/15/2016 Meeting Minutes

8. **Action Item:** Mike Roberts made a motion to Schedule a Public Hearing on Land Use map and Comprehensive Plan for August 17, at 7 PM, 2nd by Paige Beilsmith. Roll Call: All ayes, no nays. Motion Carried.

Chris Seniker made a motion to approve the Planning Minutes and place them on file, 2nd by Paige Beilsmith. Voice Vote: All ayes, no nays. Motion Carried.

5) **Public Safety Committee** 06/13/2016 Meeting Minutes

- **Action Item:** Bill Oertel made a motion have Attorney Watson draw up an ordinance to change High Street into a two-way street with no parking on the South side of the street, 2nd by Kent Scheffel. Roll Call: All ayes, no nays. Motion Carried.
- Chris discussed the cameras that were purchased for the police department and building and if additional cameras are needed for security reasons. Discussed on cameras in hall. Chris Seniker made a motion to purchase 2 additional cameras to security system of this building, 2nd by Bill Oertel. Roll Call: All ayes, no nays. Motion Carried.

Mike Roberts made a motion to approve the Public Safety Minutes and place them on file, 2nd by Kent Scheffel. Roll Call: All ayes, no nays. Motion Carried.

6) **Public Works Committee-06/27/2016 Meeting Minutes**

- **Action Item:** Resignation of Randy Hartsock and Eric Nolte. Kent Scheffel made to accept the resignations of Randy Hartsock and Eric Nolte and continue Cobra insurance with Randy Hartsock reimbursing Village, 2nd by Bill Oertel. Roll Call: All ayes, no nays. Motion Carried.
- **Action item:** Kent Scheffel discussed the two recommendations from Public Works Committee, both are local men with maintenance experience. Chris Seniker made a motion to the hiring Richard Maupin and Lee Blackwood with approval of background check and drug testing, 2nd by Paige Beilsmith. Roll Call: All ayes, no nays. Motion Carried.

Board discussed the tap on fee's for water lines. Currently if a developer develops the ground, they install all the waterlines and sewer lines, tap on fee was forgone. However, in the past the Board has not waived tap on fee's to homeowners.

Ron Smith, Public Works Manager. Palmer Street lift station had a part that didn't come in, therefore a portable pump was installed to run down Palmer street, coupled with the 6" of rain and all the basement and downspout water routed into the system caused problems with the lift station. This was set up Sunday to help with the water flow with all the rain. Ron knocked on every door on Palmer Street reaching only one person. Mike Roberts asked if we could we get more barricades for night vision for safety reasons.

Another discussion regarding the busy week with RR hitting a water line S of town, which Ron will bill the RR back for this as it was a clearly marked waterline they hit. Another problem was the street by the fire department has had so much heavy equipment driven there with both lanes being used. Mayor said that he has spoken with Millstone Weber which is the contractor for the UPRR and agreement was drawn up which is covered below in new business. The UPRR is exempt from all Village local ordinances, this is governed by Federal. That's what New Business #5 is about. There are many facets, the head company, UPRR, IDOT, and all the contractors and sub-contractors. In many emails, UPRR states they are exempt from local ordinances. If IL State issues a ticket, it hurts the local driver, not the head company. Our Officers do not have the certified scales. Mayor is trying to work with the engineering firm for the UPRR. Chris Seniker states that these trucks need to slow down and at the end of the day we have to protect or citizens and our kids. He suggests tickets start being issued. Mayor Schafer has met with UPRR regarding the torn up streets, the trucks in town and there is not one person we can go to and talk to but many entities. There are so many entities involved, that it's a constant shuffling of duties. He sat with HDR Rep, IDOT Rep and American Water Rep discussing the problems within the community. Chris Seniker suggests that our Police Dept start issuing tickets for damage occurred.

Kent Scheffel made a motion to approve the Public Works Minutes and place them on file, 2nd by Chris Seniker. Voice Vote: All ayes, no nays. Motion Carried.

7) **Zoning Committee-06/21/2016 Meeting Minutes**

- **Action Items:** Approval of Permits

Chris Seniker made a motion to approve the Zoning Minutes and place them on file, 2nd by Paige Beilsmith. Roll Call: All ayes, no nays. Motion Carried.

Old Business: Ron Smith would like to say that Brian Black, our only full time public worker has done such an outstanding job. Mayor also thanks Ron Smith and Craig Noble.

Bill Oertel and Chris Seniker. To work on closed minutes with Billie Laubscher

New Business:

- 1) Resolution 797 Final payment Resolution to USDA. SMS Engineer Don Taul states that Haier has completed all the punch list of roads that they were presented with. In fairness to Haier, there has

been all the other construction of the RR entities going on all these streets. E. Center has been heavily traveled and with the water main breaks, the road needs repaired. Attorney Watson suggests paying out with a 2% retainage of the whole project of 1.9 million. The thing that concerns Attorney Watson is if a walk thru had been performed with Haier? Chris Seniker asks if additional engineering will be charged for all these walk thru's which Mayor said engineering was a previously agreed upon amount.

- Chris Seniker made a motion to retain 2% of the total project to Haier and SMS and release balance, 2nd by Bill Oertel. Roll Call: All Ayes, no nays. Motion Carried.
- 2) IEPA Division of Public Water Supplies Application for Construction Permit. Mayor discussed that the waterline near the area of Terpening, we will have to move the 10" water line from David Lane to Bott cemetery. IDOT will put a new road off Terpening to South of Bott Cemetery with a new crossing there and forego the Terpening lane crossing. We will have to move this 10" line at approximate cost of \$300,000. We would have to move this line to the East side of road. Attorney Watson working with UPRR negotiating the IDOT portion to be paid by the UPRR. At this time, this is the only negotiating tool we have. Board recommends just sitting tight.
- 3) Gateway Getaway Bike MS Ride 2016 Site Confirmation
Mike Roberts made a motion to approve the Gateway Getaway Bole MS Rode 2016 Site Confirmation, 2nd by Paige Beilsmith. Roll Call: All ayes, no nays. Motion Carried.
- 4) Set Budget Meeting. Next Board Meeting is August 01, could all committee's be ready by then?
Bill Oertel made a motion to set the Budget Meeting for August 04, 2016 6 PM, 2nd by Mike Roberts. Voice Vote: All ayes, no nays. Motion Carried.
- 5) Ordinance regarding Millstone Weber Agreement
Chris Seniker made a motion to approve Ordinance 801 regarding Millstone Weber Agreement to repair streets sidewalks for damages, 2nd by Paige Beilsmith. Roll Call: All ayes, no nays. Motion Carried.
- 6) Authorize engineering and related services for moving the 10" water line from RR property, starts near David Lane, property of Matt Hinley going North which will mean securing easements from Hinley, Scheffel Trust and one other. We will move the 10" further East off Bott Road. This will authorize our engineering firm to do some related services to get started on this if we do this ourselves. In meantime, SMS is asking UPRR to forgo the costs. Kent Scheffel made a motion to authorize engineering firm to start preliminary work on this 10" line, 2nd by Bill Oertel. Roll Call: All ayes, no nays. Motion Carried.
- 7) Approval of Counter UPRR Offer: Village currently pays yearly. Mayor and Attorney would like to counter back on this \$2,000 so this will remove all future boards and mayors that it would be lower than \$2,000 and at a fixed price. In the past we were paying just a couple and now it's up at \$6,500.
Chris Seniker made a motion to approve the negotiations to re-counter Offer Agreement with UPRR, 2nd by Kent Scheffel. Roll Call: All ayes, no nays. Motion Carried.

Executive Session: (if needed)

Problems: Mike asked why LED sign at Municipal Building has not changed. Clerk discussed the transmitter has been ordered for 3 weeks and it is on back order. Discussed if Sign could be turned off? Mike discussed the overtime in police department. Chris discussed we have had vacations, marriages and babies and we are currently not paying a chief salary which Mayor will discuss in August.

Mike discussed there's holes at Schneider park especially from the flag burning. Could we use the same hole and mulch over it to keep from settling? Ron Smith, Public Works Manager will look at this.

Adjournment: Chris Seniker made a motion to adjourn at 9:05, 2nd by Paige Beilsmith. Voice Vote: All ayes, no nays. Motion Carried.

Minutes submitted by Clerk Billie Laubscher