

Minutes of the DeWitt Village Board Regular Meeting held Thursday, July 7, 2016, at 7:00 PM at the Village Office, 209 E. Fillmore Ave, DeWitt, NE.

Roll Call: Present: Chairman Badman, Trustees Brown, Weise, and Wattjes.

Absent: Mahloch.

Also present: Clerk Erin Reimer. Visitors were: Mitch Paine, Rachel Schrader, and Tony Krause.

Chairman Badman announced that a copy of the Open Meetings Act is posted in the meeting room and is accessible to members of the public.

CONSENT AGENDA:

- a. Approval of minutes of regular meeting on June 7, 2016, as on file in the Village Clerk's Office
- b. Approval of Special Designated Liquor License – Red Zone Street Dance 8/13/16
- c. Approval of Treasurer's Report
- d. Approval of Bills and Claims

Motion by Brown, second by Wattjes, to approve the items on consent agenda.

Ayes: Badman, Wattjes, Brown and Weise. Badman abstained from consent agenda item (a) and Wattjes abstained from claim 7941.

Nays: None.

Motion Carried.

AGENDA ITEMS

1. Park Board- Bobbie Scherling-closing of Fillmore Ave. during softball tournament July 8-10.

Bobbie was not at the meeting but it was requested to have the street closed during the July 8-10 softball tournament to ensure safety for people and players attending.

Motion by Wattjes, seconded by Weise, to approve closing of the street during softball tournament July 8-10.

Ayes: Weise, Brown, Badman, and Wattjes

Nays: None.

Motion Carried.

2. Mitch Paine, Rachel Schrader-CRS and Silver Jackets Program

Mitch Paine spoke on behalf of the Flood Plain Management team, and Rachel Schrader and Tony Krause spoke about the Silver Jackets Program. Analyzation of the flood risk as a community then focuses on each individual structure. They will survey 1st floor and ground elevations, collect data, use visual maps and recommend property specific techniques to assist with flood prevention. Risk Identification is of no cost to the Village of DeWitt. They ask that the Village coordinate survey times with residents and allow for space to hold public meetings, which would be individualized and look at it strategically with all collected data. Rachel must submit the proposal by July 19 and asks that the Village provide her with a letter of support by this day. The board questioned the time frame of funds and actual surveying. There year starts on October 1st, with monies already available, should be approved by November 15 and would begin surveying early spring 2017. It would also provide needed information to obtain elevation certificates.

Motion by Badman, seconded by Wattjes, to approve submittal letter to Silver Jackets Program and beginning application process.

Ayes: Weise, Brown, Wattjes, and Brown.

Nays: None.

Motion Carried.

3. Municipal Code Services

Board members were presented with preliminary code books and tabled the topic to the August meeting.

4. Wages-Clerk-performance evaluation

The board discussed wages for the clerk, looking at what other starting clerks of villages the same size obtain. It was discussed that the current wage be set at \$13/hour and set with Ordinance 748.

5. Hazard Mitigation Plan-adopt

Motion by Weise, second by Wattjes to approve the new Hazard Mitigation Plan prepared by John McKee.

Discussion:

Clerk Report: Erin reported she attended Finance & Accounting Conf. in Kearney. She felt it was very helpful and is looking forward to the next one. She also presented an agreement that follows our codes

in regards to Landlord/Renter utility responsibility. She will mail out a copy to each landlord to place on file in the office. She also presented the board with a cleaned up version of rental fees for the Community Center. She will be getting reports ready for each department so they can present their budgets and we can then send on to Blobaum and Busboom CPA. She will be attending the Southern 7 meeting in Milligan in August 18.

Fire- Shawn reported that the trucks were back from the Forestry Department and they had replaced several bearing due to the waters from the flood. MFO monies will be used to refurbish the pumper truck and we should start looking into ways to fund the next truck purchase when the current one is out of commission. We can get approximately 10 years out of the current one after refurbishing. Shawn is also looking into ways to fix the concrete in the Fire Hall that is chipping away. He talked about grinding it down and sealing it.

The board discussed nuisance properties and decided to make a list and try to reach out to the owners. Larry will call on the Helms property Friday July 8, 2016. They also asked that the trees be pushed up at the compost site. The trustees discussed the 4th of July Celebration for 2016, due to the weather it was not a great turnout but went well.

Motion by Wesie, seconded by Wattjes, that the meeting be adjourned at 9:10 PM. All in favor.

ATTEST:

Chairman, Board of Trustees
Village of DeWitt, NE.

Village Clerk/Treasurer
Village of DeWitt, NE.

SEAL

I, Erin Reimer, Village Clerk for the Village of DeWitt, hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the proceedings had and done by the Chairman and Trustees. I hereby certify that a copy of the Open Meetings Act was posted in the back of the Board Room. I certify that all of the subjects included in the foregoing proceedings were contained in the agenda for the meeting, kept continually current and available for public inspection at the office of the Village Clerk. I certify that such subjects were contained in said agenda for at least twenty-four hours prior to said meeting and that at least one copy of all reproducible material discussed at the meeting was available at the meeting for examination and copying by members of the public. I certify that the minutes were in written form and available for public inspection within ten working days and prior to the next convened meeting of the Board of Trustees. I certify that all news media requesting notification concerning meetings of the Board of Trustees were provided with advance notification of the time and place of said meeting and the subjects to be discussed.

Erin Reimer
Village Clerk/Treasurer
Village of DeWitt, NE.