

REGULAR MEETING
BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF ST. ANNE
KANKAKEE COUNTY, ILLINOIS
Village Hall, May 10, 2010, 7:00 P.M.

President O'Connell called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. Clerk Blum called the roll, and the following trustees answered present: Sirois, Jennings, Blanchette, Lee, Meier and Romein. Deputy Clerk Sifrit, Attorney Tebo, Treasurer Leveque, Chief Abrassart, Engineer Neil Piggush and Police Chaplain Ron Murphy were also in attendance. Clerk Blum reported the roll, and the President declared a quorum to exist for the transaction of the public business.

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

QUORUM

President O'Connell asked if there were any additions or corrections to the minutes of the last regular meeting. Hearing none, he asked for a motion to approve those minutes. It was moved by Trustee Sirois and seconded by Trustee Blanchette that the minutes of the last regular meeting be approved. Upon voice vote, all trustees present voted favorably, and the President declared the motion carried.

MINUTES
APPROVED

The President then asked if there were any questions or comments concerning the Treasurer's report. Hearing none, he asked for a motion to approve the report. It was moved by Trustee Romein and seconded by Trustee Lee that the Treasurer's report be approved. Upon roll call vote, all trustees present voted favorably, and the President declared the motion carried. Treasurer Leveque commented that the balance in the water/sewer fund was "good". She said that the general fund had enough to pay the current bills, but there could be problems for the next month.

TREASURER'S
REPORT
APPROVED

Clerk Blum explained that the attorney fees for the next year would be increased. [A copy of the legal fee notice follows these minutes]. The Clerk then explained that an intergovernmental agreement needed to be approved in order to continue to receive employee health insurance coverage through the state's Local Government Health Plan. It was moved by Trustee Sirois and seconded by Trustee Lee that the agreement be approved. Upon roll call vote, all trustees present voted favorably, and President O'Connell declared the motion carried.

CLERK'S
REPORT:

ILGHP
APPROVED

President O'Connell then went over the items in his written report. [A copy of this report follows these minutes]. Trustee Sirois said that he wouldn't trust the state if the "Put Illinois to Work program" is to be done on a reimbursement basis. President O'Connell said that the village should not agree to participate if the program is done by reimbursement. Trustee Sirois said that more information was necessary in order to make a decision. There was general agreement. President O'Connell then reappointed Linda Leveque as treasurer and Don Leveque as Emergency Services Disaster Agency (ESDA) Director. It was moved by Trustee Romein and seconded by Trustee Jennings that the above two appointments be confirmed. Upon voice vote, all trustees present voted favorably, and President O'Connell declared the motion carried.

PRESIDENT'S
REPORT:

TREASURER
& ESDA DIR.
REAPPOINTED

Attorney Tebo said that all trustees could attend committee meetings since they are public. On the matter of the new state video gaming act,

ATTORNEY'S
REPORT

she said that the Illinois Municipal League has a very good question and answer report on their web site. She said that municipalities may impose a fee of up to \$25. per machine per year.

Trustee Lee then read the monthly Police Department report as follows: 25 traffic citation(s), 15 written warning(s), 0 misdemeanor traffic arrest(s), 0 DUI(s), 0 accident report(s), 0 vehicle(s) towed, 18 general case report(s), 8 miscellaneous report(s), 0 felony arrest(s), 0 misdemeanor arrest(s), 0 arrest(s) on warrant, 2 juvenile detention report(s) and 5 agency assist(s). Officers worked 517 regular hours and no overtime hours. In so doing, they drove 2,650 miles. \$1,523.55 in fines and \$20. for the vehicle fund were collected from the county. Trustee Lee reported that the police committee had again met to discuss the possible use of golf carts on village streets. He said that the issue was dropped because of lack of interest. Chief Abrassart reported that area law enforcement personnel would be having a memorial service on the court house lawn at 10 a.m. the following Saturday.

POLICE
REPORT

Trustee Sirois reported that the new well project was nearly completed. He said that there was a "coffee shop rumor" that the well is no good. Engineer Piggush said that the test well had produced very well and that the other village wells are in the same aquifer. If the new well has production problems, there are steps which may be taken. He said that the village would get a good well which would be radio controlled with the secondary well. The Engineer then said that he had been in contact with Pat Ramirez of the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity (DCEO) and that she was still asking for information for the Eastern Illinois Street grant application. He saw this as a good sign. He then said that he would get prices for a water tower testing and inspecting company. He reported that he was closing out all of the water tower grants.

PUBLIC WORKS
REPORT:

NEW WELL

E. ILL. ST.
GRANT APPL.

GRANT
CLOSE-OUTS

Trustee Romein reported that four building permits had been issued in April for \$9,300. in improvements with \$280. in fees collected. \$100. was collected for two plumbing inspection, and another \$100. was collected for two electrical inspections. He also reported that Steve Abrassart had done four hours of mosquito spraying.

BUILDING &
HEALTH
REPORT

Trustee Blanchette reported that the larger pond a the park had been sprayed for weed control. He said that the smaller pond might not need to be sprayed, but it could be done later if needed. Trustee Meier suggested that fishing permit fees could be increased to help cover the cost of pond maintenance. There was some discussion as to whether fees can be charges since state conservation funds were used to build the perk. Trustee Sirois said that the board should do whatever it decides and see what happens.

PARK
REPORT

Trustee Meier reported that the finance committee had examined the bills, found them to be correct and recommended their approval for payment. It was moved by Trustee Lee and seconded by Trustee Romein that the bills be authorized for payment. Upon roll call vote, all trustees present voted favorably, and President O'Connell declared the

FINANCE
REPORT:

BILLS PAID

motion carried. Trustee Meier then presented a list of wage and salary increases representing an approximate 2% increase. [A copy of this list and a complete statement of employee's wage, salary and other benefits follows these minutes. The statement reflects the above adjustments]. Clerk Blum pointed out that the Clerk is an elected official and that an elected official's compensation may not be altered during the official's term of office. Furthermore, any change in an elected official's compensation must be enacted at least 180 days before a new term of office begins. The Treasurer's salary may be altered because the St. Anne treasurer is appointed. It was moved by Trustee Blanchette and seconded by Trustee Jennings that the committee's wage and salary proposals be adopted except for the Clerk's salary and that the adjustments be made retroactive to May 1. Upon roll call vote, all trustees present voted favorably, and President O'Connell declared the motion carried. There was a brief discussion of setting a minimum rate for the use of the civic center. It was agreed that the area north of the civic center building need cleaned-up.

SALARY
ADJUSTMENTS

President O'Connell then asked if there was any further public business to come before the board. Hearing none, he asked for a motion to adjourn. It was moved by Trustee Jennings and seconded by Trustee Romein that the meeting be adjourned. Upon voice vote, all trustees present voted favorably, and President O'Connell declared the motion carried. The President then adjourned the meeting at 8:17 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Approved by me this _____ day

of _____, 2010

VILLAGE CLERK

VILLAGE PRESIDENT