

REGULAR MEETING
BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF ST. ANNE
KANKAKEE COUNTY, ILLINOIS
Village Hall, September 14, 2015, 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, Grubbs and O'Connell. Clerk Blum reported the roll, and President O'Connell declared that a quorum existed for the transaction of the public business. Treasurer Leveque, Attorney Meyer, Police Chief Jason Franc, Building Inspector James Hudson, Public Works Director Don Leveque, Pumpkin Festival Co-Director Bob Hubert, Festival Truck Pull Chairman Dan Dandurand and village residents Steve Abrassart and Donald Dean were also in attendance. Trustee Duncan was absent.

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

QUORUM

VISITORS

When recognized, Mr. Dandurand asked that the usual Ambrose and Dewey street route be allowed for the large truck pull vehicles to access the north end of N. Second Avenue. He also asked that the St. Anne Knights of Columbus liquor license be used for the beer tent at the pull. It was moved by Trustee Sirois and seconded by Trustee Jennings that the above requests be approved. Upon voice vote, all trustees present voted favorably, and President O'Connell declared the motion carried.

TRUCK PULL REQUESTS APPROVED

When recognized, Mr. Hubert said that he was present to request the usual closing of some streets, use of public property and general support for the Pumpkin Festival. It was moved by Trustee Blanchette and seconded by Trustee O'Connell that the above requests be approved. Upon voice vote, all trustees present voted favorably, and President O'Connell declared the motion carried.

PUMPKIN FESTIVAL REQUESTS APPROVED

When recognized, Mr. Dean said that the walnut trees along W. Sheffield St. between Sixth Ave. and Dixie Highway were in bad shape and needed to be removed. Trustee Sirois said that the trees were worth money. President O'Connell said that the village would address the matter. Mr. Dean also complained about drainage problems at the south end of S. Sixth Avenue. Trustee Sirois said that he would look into the matter.

SIXTH & SHEFFIELD COMPLAINTS

When recognized, Mr. Abrassart said that he wanted to personally thank village officials for the well attended dinner which the village had arranged to mark his recent retirement as Chief of Police. He was told that the officials appreciated his sentiments.

THANKS FROM FORMER CHIEF ABRASSART

President O'Connell asked if there were any questions or corrections to the minutes of the last regular meeting. Hearing none, he asked for a motion to approve them. It was moved by Trustee Grubbs and seconded by Trustee Blanchette that the minutes of the last regular meeting be approved. Upon voice vote, all trustees present voted favorably, and President O'Connell declared the motion carried. The minutes of the August 10 Annexation Hearing were similarly approved on a motion by Trustee Grubbs seconded by Trustee Sirois.

MINUTES APPROVED

Treasurer Leveque summarized the balances at the end of the month. She also explained that several deposits had not been made until she returned from vacation. She said that the next month would look better.

TREASURER'S REPORT

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President O'Connell then asked if there were any questions or comments on the Treasurer's report. Hearing none, he asked for a motion to approve the report. It was moved by Trustee Jennings and seconded by Trustee Sirois that the treasurer's report be approved. Upon roll call vote, all trustees present voted favorably, and President O'Connell declared the motion carried.

President O'Connell distributed copies of his monthly written report. [A copy of the report follows these minutes]. The President reported that the U.S. Department of Agriculture was willing to assign the mortgage on the problem property located at 285 W. Sheffield Street. He also reported that the property taxes have been paid on the problem property at 365 S. Chicago Avenue. After brief discussion, it was decided that the village should condemn both properties. It was moved by Trustee Sirois and seconded by Trustee Jennings that both of the above properties be condemned. Upon roll call vote, all trustees present voted favorably, and President O'Connell declared the motion carried. It was then moved by Trustee Jennings and seconded by Trustee O'Connell that the attorney have quick searches done on both properties and proceed with notifications. Upon roll call vote, all trustees present voted favorably, and President O'Connell declared the motion carried.

PRESIDENT'S
REPORT:

PROBLEM
PROPERTIES
CONDEMNED

Trustee Jennings then read the monthly Police Department report as follows: 17 traffic citation(s), 23 written warning(s), 5 misdemeanor traffic arrest(s), 0 DUI(s), 1 accident report(s), 3 vehicle(s) towed, 13 general case report(s), 35 miscellaneous report(s), 1 felony arrest(s), 1 misdemeanor arrest(s), 1 arrest(s) on warrant, 0 juvenile detention report(s) and 8 agency assist(s). Officers worked 587.5 regular hours and 5.25 overtime hours. In so doing, officers drove 3,678 miles. \$293.89 in fines, \$40.00 for the vehicle fund and \$12.00 for the e-citation fund were collected from the county. On the matter of adopting the Illinois Vehicle Code, the Attorney said that it would have to be done by ordinance.

POLICE
REPORT

In the absence of Trustee Duncan, Trustee Blanchette gave the report of the Building Committee, Ten permits were issued in August for \$20,748.00 in improvements with \$474.00 in fees collected. \$100.00 in plumbing inspection fees and \$50.00 in electrical inspection fees were also collected.

BUILDING
REPORT

Trustee O'Connell reported that Medler and Cotton Drainage had complete two more days of clean up at the park ponds. The Trustee then reported that the committee had several recommendations. On the matter of fishing permit fees, they recommended that daily permits be \$5.00 and three day permits be \$10.00. Annual permits would cost village residents \$15.00 and nonresidents \$30.00. There would be no cost for seniors and children under 14 years of age would not be required to have a permit. Size limits for keeping fish would follow the state regulations. Other regulations would include no swimming in the ponds, no alcohol or firearms in the park and only electric boat motors would be permitted. The police would sell the permits. It was moved by

PARK
REPORT:

POND USE
RECOMMENDATIONS
APPROVED
FOR ORDINANCE

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Trustee O'Connell and seconded by Trustee Jennings that the above recommendations be approved and that an ordinance be prepared for their adoption. Upon roll call vote, all trustees present voted favorably, and President O'Connell declared the motion carried.

Trustee Jennings reported that he was making a preliminary search for a new dump truck. He said that one matching the new service truck would likely cost \$45,000. when extras were included. President O'Connell suggested that the village could pay half down and finance the remainder,

NEW DUMP TRUCK?

Trustee Grubbs reported that the finance committee had examined the bills and recommended their approval for payment. It was moved by Trustee Grubbs and seconded by Trustee Sirois that the bills be authorized for payment. Upon roll call vote, all trustees present voted favorably, and President O'Connell declared the motion carried. Trustee Grubbs then recommended that adoption of the Budget and Appropriation Ordinance as presented at the August meeting. It was moved by Trustee Grubbs and seconded by Trustee O'Connell that the above Ordinance be adopted. Upon roll call vote, all trustees present voted favorably, and President O'Connell declared the motion carried.

FINANCE REPORT:

BILLS PAID

BUDGET ORDINANCE ADOPTED

Trustee Grubbs reported that he had talked to a representative of the village's garbage contractor about the overflowing dumpster located at the east end of the village park. He said that the company was going to provide larger container. If this action was not enough, the company would empty the dumpster twice a week instead of once.

OVERFLOWING PARK DUMPSTER

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 Blanchette 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 8:16 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Approved by me this _____ day _____
of _____, 2015
VILLAGE CLERK

VILLAGE PRESIDENT