

**REGULAR MEETING**  
**BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF ST. ANNE**  
**KANKAKEE COUNTY, ILLINOIS**  
Village Hall, March 14, 2016, 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, Duncan, 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, Police Chief Jason Franc, Public Works Director Don Leveque, Building Inspector Jim Hudson and Attorney Dana Meyer were also in attendance.

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

QUORUM

President O'Connell asked if there were any questions on 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 O'Connell 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 executive session of the above meeting were similarly approved on a motion by Trustee Jennings, seconded by Trustee Grubbs

MINUTES APPROVED

Treasurer Leveque summarized the balances at the end of the month. 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 Grubbs and seconded by Trustee Jennings that the treasurer's report be approved. Upon roll call vote, all trustees present voted favorably, and President O'Connell declared the motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Clerk Blum reported that he, Trustee Sirois and Trustee Jennings had completed a careful examination of all of the sets of executive session minutes for sessions held from May 11, 2009 to January 11, 2016. After consideration they recommended that the following sets of executive sessions minutes be opened: May 11, 2009, September 14, 2009, December 10, 2010, June 13, 2011, August 8, 2011, April 8, 2013, November 11, 2013, April 14, 2014 and July 14, 2014. It was moved by Trustee Sirois and seconded by Trustee Blanchette that the above recommendation be accepted and the listed sets of executive minutes be opened. Upon roll call vote, all trustees present voted favorably, and President O'Connell declared the motion carried. Clerk Blum then requested that the any decision to sponsor a fireworks display on July fourth weekend be made in April. This avoids the problem of not having enough time to obtain proper insurance coverage from the village's insurance carrier. This item would be on April's agenda.

CLERK'S REPORT:

EXEC. MIN. OPENED

FIREWORKS?

President O'Connell then distributed copies of his monthly written report and went over each item. [A copy of this report follows these minutes]. In regard to item number one of the report, Clerk Blum said that he would publish notices in the newspapers referring interested parties to the web site posting. In regard to item number two of the report, Attorney Meyer said that having a wedding in the park presented no more liability than the usual park activities.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

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Attorney Meyer said that she was still working on an ordinance to adopt the state vehicle code for the village.

ATTORNEY'S  
REPORT

Trustee Jennings then read the monthly Police Department report as follows: 8 traffic citation(s), 7 written warning(s), 0 misdemeanor traffic arrest(s), 0 DUI(s), 0 accident report(s), 2 vehicle(s) towed, 9 general case report(s), 39 miscellaneous report(s), 0 felony arrest(s), 0 misdemeanor arrest(s), 0 arrest(s) on warrant, 0 juvenile detention report(s) and 13 agency assist(s). Officers worked 570.5 regular hours and two overtime hours. In so doing, they drove 3,304 miles. \$1,965.58 in fines, \$60.00 for the vehicle fund, \$16.00 for citations, \$225.50 for a DUI and \$70.00 for an arrest ag (?) were collected from the county. On the matter of replacing equipment destroyed by a lightning strike at the police station, Trustee Jennings said that he and the Chief would have recommendations ready for the April meeting.

POLICE  
REPORT

Trustee Sirois said that the total cost for rebuilding S. School St. by the High School would be about \$16,000.00. St. Anne Township would supply \$5,000.00 worth of stone, and the High School would split the remaining \$11,000.00 with the village. Trustee Jennings reported that the High School Board of Education had already approved their portion of the cost. He added that the work would include significant drainage improvements. It was moved by Trustee Sirois and seconded by Trustee Duncan that the above plan be approved. Upon roll call vote, all trustees present voted favorably, and President O'Connell declared the motion carried. Trustee Sirois then explained that there has been a continuing problem with too much humidity in the pump house west of the village. This moisture has damaged equipment. He recommended that a through the wall air conditioning system be purchase. He said that it would be the type used for modern motel units. It was suggested that the unit might also be a heater. Trustee Sirois said that Forestier Plumbing and Heating could install the unit for \$3,670.00. It was moved by Trustee Sirois and seconded by Trustee Jennings that up to \$5,000.00 be approved for the above work in case it cost more to include a heating unit as well as air conditioning. Upon roll call vote, all trustees present voted favorably, and President O'Connell declared the motion carried.

PUBLIC  
WORKS  
REPORT:

REBUILD OF  
SCHOOL ST.

AC/HEATER  
FOR RTE. 1  
PUMP HOUSE

Trustee Duncan explained that only one building permit had been issued in February. He said that the Building Inspector would include it in the March report.

BUILDING  
REPORT

Trustees Sirois and Jennings reported that ongoing discussions were being held with Hoekstra Farms and DeYoung Farms concerning the drainage problems north and east of the park ponds along the railroad. It appeared that some small parcel of land might be ceded to the village in return for significant drainage improvements. There was general agreement with the above proposal. Discussions of the proposal were to continue with the farm interests.

PARK  
REPORT:

DRAINAGE  
PROJECT?

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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 paid. Upon roll call vote, all trustees present voted favorably, and President O'Connell declared the motion carried.

BILLS PAID

It was then moved by Trustee Grubbs and seconded by Trustee Jennings that the meeting enter executive session for the discussion of personnel. Upon voice vote, all trustees present voted favorably, and President O'Connell declared the motion carried. [Minutes of the executive session are secured separately as required by state statute]. It was moved by Trustee Sirois and seconded by Trustee Grubbs that the meeting again enter open session. Upon voice vote, all trustees present voted favorably, and President O'Connell declared the motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

It was moved by Trustee Jennings and seconded by Trustee Sirois that Attorney Meyer be employed to take part in hearings on the matter of recently terminated police officer Jeffrey Bright. Upon roll call vote, all trustees present voted favorably, and President O'Connell declared the motion carried.

ATTORNEY EMPLOYED FOR TERMINATION HEARINGS

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 Sirois and seconded by Trustee O'Connell 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 7:52 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Approved by me this \_\_\_\_\_ day  
of \_\_\_\_\_, 2016

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VILLAGE CLERK

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VILLAGE PRESIDENT