

Regular Meeting of the Pecatonica Board of Trustees

Tuesday, April 18, 2017 at 6:00 pm

Village Hall 405 Main St. Pecatonica, IL

1. **Call to Order:** Village President Dan Barber called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM on Tuesday, April 18, 2017 at the Village Hall.
2. **Silent moment observed.**
3. **The Pledge to the American Flag was recited.**
4. **Roll call was taken.** Trustees Zach Foster, Bill Determan, Bill Smull, and Paula Hachmeister were present. Trustees Tricia Metz and Tom Gipe were not present.

Others Present: Village Clerk Gwenn Shirley, Attorneys Doug Henry, Village Treasurer Nola Markel, Police Chief Bob Smith and Public Works Director Mark Rust.
5. **A quorum was established.**
6. **Approval of meeting minutes.** A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes from the March 21, 2017 meeting. Smull/Determan All Trustees present voted. Aye 4, No 0, Absent 2. Minutes approved.
7. **Additions/Corrections to the Agenda:** Trustee Hachmeister would like to add "TIF Discussion". President Barber stated that this will be added to Section B. 1. TIF Discussion and under Section J. 1 Warrants List Clerks General and W/S change the amount to \$52,614.00.
8. **Approval of Agenda:** A motion was made and seconded to approve the agenda as amended. Smull/Foster All Trustees present voted. Aye 4, Nay 0, Absent 2. Agenda approved.
9. **Call to the Public:** None

Agenda Items

A. Village President's Items (President Barber)

1. Purchasing Policy Violations - Village President Barber stated that we have an invoice from Chastain & Associates for \$5, 202.85 which is for when the Street Referendum was going on and there was no Board approval for this expenditure.

Before we spend money we need make sure that the policy is followed. If we don't follow it, for example a Department Head, they could be fired. In this case

it was an Elected Official and is subject to censure by the Village Board. Village President Barber defined "censure" and at this time it is being put before the Village Board for discussion.

Trustee Smull stated that this pertains to him and he was not aware that the bill would be anything at all. The main concern at the time was to get the presentation together. I have been on the Board for over 12 years and have never violated anything. I was not aware that the Village was going to be charged and I am not very happy about it. It was an honest mistake and an oversight on my part.

Discussion

Village President Barber stated that this bill cannot be paid until we get into the new budget year since we do not have the money in the line item for this. If there are questions about the bill Curtis Cook of Chastain & Associates will need to be contacted. This is something that we take seriously.

Discussion

B. Unfinished Business – None

C. New Business –

1. TIF Discussion - Trustee Hachmeister stated she believes that the Developer is in breach of the agreement. It states in the agreement that the Village is to be provided with proof of financing and that has never been received. We are paying fees every year and it does not state in the documents that we are supposed to pay these fees. After reviewing the documents there are too many questions and I am not comfortable with the language.

Village President Barber stated that he understood that we had to wait seven years and after that we could cancel. Maureen Barry was going to speak to us at the last meeting but for unforeseen circumstances that didn't get done. She will be at the next Committee of the Whole meeting. When this TIF was made up it was made up in the complete interest of the Developer and I was not on the board at that time.

Attorney Henry stated that he did not draft this agreement as he was not the attorney for the Village at that time. My understanding at this time is that the Developer has submitted TIF eligible expenses to the TIF consultant and the funding is still not in place. I will have to look at the agreement and report back to the board. I have recommended that Ms. Barry come to a Committee of the

Whole meeting rather than a regular board meeting so more time to cover every issue in addition to new questions. I will advise her to be prepared to answer historical questions and just questions in general.

Discussion

Village President Barber stated that to make sure that you see the receipts. The Consultant has an itemized list and has requested copies of the receipts but they are having problems in getting them. He still has not gotten a building permit. They did have a permit but the fees were not paid. If this does go forward is he still building the same thing?

Attorney Henry stated that perhaps we look into renegotiating the agreement. I wouldn't make any decision until after Ms. Barry comes to the board to answer questions.

D. **Legal (Attorney Doug Henry) - None**

E. **Finance Committee (Liaison Foster) - None**

F. **Planning Commission/Zoning Board – Nothing scheduled**

G. **Public Works (Liaison Smull) - None**

H. **Public Safety (Liaison Metz) not presents- None**

1. Police Chief Smith stated that the new vehicle was ordered and it will be the Durango.

I. **Economic Development Committee (Chairman Determan)**

1. Next Meeting: Monday, May 8, 2017 at 6:00 p.m.
2. Trustee Determan stated that we received notification from Winnebago County that we will receive another \$20,000. This brings out total donation for the project up to \$40,500.00. The committee voted to replace a water fountain, a donation was received for two memorial benches they will sit on the slab, and they will not be installed. The new Christmas decorations have arrived and the dedication for the parking lot will be on May 28th at 1:00 p.m. Invitation will be sent out to all who donated and the public is invited. The Park District stated that they would be more than happy to take the old decorations off our hands for \$1.00.

Village President Barber stated that many people have commented on the Citizen of the Year Award. Our 1st recipient is extremely enthused about having received the award.

J. Treasurer (Nola Markel)

1. Warrant Lists (attachment)

Treasurers General and W/S	\$5,494.70
Clerks General and W/S	\$52,614.00

A motion was made and seconded to approve the Treasurers General and W/S Warrants for \$5,494.70 and the Clerks General and W/S for \$52,614.00 as presented. Foster/Smull

Discussion

Roll call vote was taken. All Trustees present voted Yes 4, No 0, Absent 2.
Motion approved.

K. Clerk's Items (Gwenn Shirley) –

1. Electronic Waste pickup – April 29, 2017 8:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

L. Executive Session – None

M. Adjourn – Meeting adjourned at 6:34 p.m. Foster/Smull

Next Village Board meeting: Tuesday, May 16, 2017 at 6:00 pm Village Hall