

VILLAGE OF PESOTUM  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
MINUTES OF REGULAR BOARD MEETING

January 6, 2010

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A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Pesotum, Illinois was held at the Community Building, 103 E. Lincoln Street, Pesotum, Illinois this being the principal office of the Village of Pesotum, on Wednesday, January 6, 2010 at 7:00 p.m. of that date.

1. The meeting was called to order by Village President Timothy Schultz at 7:05 p.m.
2. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and a roll call was taken of the Trustees in attendance.

The Trustees present were: Tricia Althaus, Cheryl Smitley, Kyle Logsdon, Josh Eisenmenger and Lora Witheft (Tempel). Trustee Joyce Ragle will be in attendance later during the meeting. Village officials and appointees present were: Village President Timothy Schultz, Village Clerk Anna Kalk, Village Treasurer Brad Frankovich and Village Attorney Elizabeth Megli.

3. Presentation/Comments from the General Public:

None

4. Routine Matters:

4.1 A motion was made by Lora Witheft to approve the Regular Board Meeting Minutes for Wednesday, December 2, 2009. The motion was seconded by Cheryl Smitley and was approved 5-0.

4.2 A motion was made by Josh Eisenmenger to approve the Treasurer's Report for December 31, 2009. The motion was seconded by Kyle Logsdon and was approved 5-0. Village Treasurer Brad Frankovich brought to the attention of the board that the state's payments of September, October, November and December income tax revenues are still outstanding.

4.3 Bill Payment:

4.3.1 A motion was made by Cheryl Smitley and seconded by Lora Witheft to approve the monthly bills for payment. The motion was approved 5-0.

4.3.2 Tricia Althaus made a motion to pay the bill to IML Risk Management Insurance in the amount of \$9,097 and the bill to Joyce Ragle in the amount of \$64.90 to reimburse her payment to Custom Printing. The motion was seconded by Cheryl Smitley and was approved 5-0.

5. Reports:

5.1 Village Clerk Report –Nothing to report.

5.2 Maintenance Report:

Trash pickup estimates were received with Chris's providing an estimate of \$501.75 per year for one container at the shop and two containers at the park for 7 months. Dillman's has agreed to do the same service for \$300.00 per year. That price would be honored for at least one year. This will be put on next months agenda.

The temporary fix for regarding the no parking signs at the Firehouse seem to be working. If the Village wants to make it a tow away zone the ordinance will need to be slightly amended. Reynolds towing will put up the signs at no charge with a signed agreement. This will be put on next months agenda.

Road salt inventory is down to 600 lbs. plus the hopper on the dump truck is  $\frac{3}{4}$  full. All the snow removal equipment is ready to go.

A fan blade on the furnace was replaced.

5.3 Village Building Inspector: No Report

6. Old Business:

6.1 Bulletin Board – Cheryl Smitley checked some additional pricing for the community bulletin board. The prices range from \$168.00 to \$187.00 for a 24x36 inch board with glass doors that lock. The price jumps considerably for bigger boards. The board will check with other public entities to see what they allow to be posted on their boards.

6.2 Approve Koeberlein to do Blueprints – Elizabeth thought a few revisions should be made to the document. The document states the village has acquired all the necessary easements on the plan but a copy of the plan is not attached. The other item regards insurance. We need to make sure the person coming in to do the surveying is adequately insured.

\*\*Trustee Joyce Ragle came into the meeting at 7:32pm.\*\*

6.3 Fines for Animal Control – The ordinance has fines listed but it doesn't show what to do when the town gets charged but animal control doesn't take the dog. Also animal control needs to be told it would benefit us if they could get us the bill in a more timely fashion. Joyce Ragle is trying to come up with a form for the billing. A citation needs to be created that is approved by the board.

6.4 Old Laundromat Building – A mailing address for the building needs to be obtained since this serves as the basis for the complaint for court purposes.

6.5 Ameren CIPS – Elizabeth called the individual at Ameren questioning him about franchise fees and how they arrived at the number in the contract. He said she needed to send something in writing which she has done.

7. New Business:

7.1 All Village of Pesotum Drainage – Josh Eisenmenger spoke with someone who advised we do not have a working tile at the end of Hickory Street. He said he has been paying in the East side drainage district but water is going the other way. He should be able to tie into the other tile with is a working tile.

A catch basin on the corner of Elm and Lincoln is sinking and one is iced over. There are two different tiles in the area and we should get an estimate on both tiles. The tile work at the end of Oak Street was successful and there is no standing water.

8. Presentations/Comments from the Board: Cheryl Smitley gave Elizabeth an article from the paper this morning which talked about Sidney putting in a sewer system that has to do with an EPA bill. The article made it appear as though the State of Illinois will require everyone to do this. Elizabeth will check on it. Also a few people in town have discarded

furniture/appliances sitting outside. This may be covered under the nuisance ordinance and will be talked about further at the study session.

There are mandatory on-line classes that someone from the municipality must take for the open meetings act. The village will need to determine who they would like to have as their individual who will be for the freedom of information act and one for the open meetings act and will need to place the individual(s) in that rank. They will need to do the on-line training. Elizabeth printed off some of the information but this does not have to be done immediately but it is something that needs to be thought about.

The Lee property was discussed and a potential mortgage release on the property may happen only after the village takes title. There is a need to check with the EPA and once they get back to us advising they need us to take title then they will release the mortgage. The Lee property is the middle property which was the gas station and bakery. The lender is actually the Village of Tuscola and they have been asked to send us something in writing.

9. Announcements:
  - 9.1 The next Village Board Meeting will be on Wednesday, February 3, 2010 at 7:00pm.
  - 9.2 A study session will be held on Tuesday, January 19, 2010 at 7:00pm.
10. A motion was made by Josh Eisenmenger and seconded by Lora Witheft to adjourn the meeting at 8:05pm. The motion was passed 6-0.

Respectfully Submitted By,

Anna Kalk  
Village Clerk