

VILLAGE OF PESOTUM  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
MINUTES OF REGULAR BOARD MEETING

May 6, 2009

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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, May 6, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. of that date.

1. The meeting was called to order by Village President Timothy Lecher at 7:07 p.m.
2. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and a roll call was taken of the Trustees in attendance.

The Trustees present were: Leonard Reinhart, Joyce Ragle, William "Hank" Lewis, Cheryl Smitley, Robert Russian and Tricia Althaus. Village officials and appointees present were: Village President Timothy Lecher, Village Treasurer Brad Frankovich, Village Clerk Kristi Turner and Village Attorney Elizabeth Megli.

3. Routine Matters.
  - 3.1 A motion was made by Robert Russian to approve Board Meeting Minutes for March, 2009 as amended. The motion was seconded by Hank Lewis and the motion was passed 6-0.
  - 3.2 A motion was made by Robert Russian to approve the Special Board Meeting Minutes for March 18, 2009. The motion was seconded by Joyce Ragle and was passed 6-0.
  - 3.3 A motion was made by Tricia Althaus to approve Board Meeting Minutes for April 1, 2009 as amended. The motion was seconded by Cheryl Smitley and passed 6-0.
  - 3.4 A motion was made by Tricia Althaus to approve Special Board Meeting Minutes for April 15, 2009 as amended. The motion was seconded by Cheryl Smitley and passed 6-0.

- 3.5 A motion to approve the Treasurer's Report was made by Leonard Reinhart and seconded by Hank Lewis as amended. The motion was passed 6-0.
- 3.6 Bill Payment:
- 3.6.1 Approval of Monthly Bills for payment: A decision was made to hold payment of check #9441 to Whightsil Brothers until further clarification of the fees could be presented.
- 3.6.2 Post-Treasurer's Report Bills: None were presented.
4. Timothy Schultz was sworn in by legal counsel Elizabeth Megli and was seated as Village President.
5. Joyce Ragle was sworn in and seated as Village Trustee.
6. Cheryl Smitley was sworn in and seated as Village Trustee.
7. Lora Tempel was sworn in and seated as Village Trustee.
8. Kyle Logsdon was sworn in and seated as Village Trustee.
9. Joshua Eisenmenger was sworn in and seated as Village Trustee.
10. Village President Timothy Schultz made a motion to appoint Anna Kalk as Village Clerk. Cheryl Smitley seconded the motion and the motion was passed 6-0. Ms. Kalk was sworn in by legal counsel and was seated as Village Clerk.
11. Village President Timothy Shultz made a motion to appoint Brad Frankovich as Village Treasurer. The motion was seconded by Cheryl Smitley and passed 6-0. Mr. Frankovich was sworn in by legal counsel and was seated as Village Treasurer.
12. A motion was made by Tricia Althaus to retain the appointment of Village Legal Counsel Guy Hall and Associates and was seconded by Lora Tempel. The motion passed 6-0.
13. Reports:
- 13.1 Village Clerk: There was no report by the Village Clerk since newly appointed.

- 13.2 Village Maintenance: A special thanks to Roger Adams, Joe Lecher and Gerald Miller for assisting with the dumpsters for village clean-up. A 5<sup>th</sup> dumpster was needed to take care of the overflow.

New park benches and trash cans have been installed at the park. The safety tubing for the swings has been received

New trees will be planted soon and mulch will be added around existing trees. Several driveway and mailbox approaches have been cleaned up and painting projects will continue.

The Boy Scouts will be assisting Village Maintenance workers Rich Eisenmenger and Fred Smitley in cleaning out the ditches on US45 by the old gas station and Lakeside properties.

The new tornado siren was tested and can be set up remotely. Testing was made as far north as Tolono.

- 13.3 Building Inspector Report: A new Building Inspector needs to be appointed. A motion was made by Timothy Schultz to table the appointment for Building Inspector until the June meeting.

14. Old Business:

- 14.1 Pesotum Slough Drainage District issues Oak Street and Hickory Street: The owners of the residences of 213 S. Oak St. and 211 S. Hickory St. in Pesotum were in attendance expressing concerns with drainage problems. After discussion the Trustees have decided to contact Don Koeberlein and DJ Stewart to obtain bids for tile work and installation of catch basins to help in rectifying the problem. After bids are received contact will be made with Drainage District Officers to discuss an equitable solution for paying for the repairs. A request has been made to present the bids at the May 20<sup>th</sup> study session. A motion was made by Joyce Ragle and seconded by Cheryl Smitley to proceed with obtaining the bids. The motion was passed 6-0.
- 14.2 Pesotum Consolidated Drainage District Project: This concerns the west side of town. Legal counsel has advised there is no new business on this issue.
- 14.3 Ballpark Improvements: The baseball field needs sprayed for weed control.

- 14.4 Brownfield Grant Application: Legal Counsel Megli advised she is still being told Federal Funds are available for clean-up of the Lee and Lakeside properties and the Village of Pesotum is still on the list.
  - 14.5 Lakeside Property: The property owner's attorney has been advised that payments need to be made toward liens.
  - 14.6 Lee Bakery Property: IEPA will do additional borings on property. Potential sales of both properties is on hold due to mortgage and liens.
  - 14.7 Inoperable vehicles/property nuisances: Legal counsel has been instructed to send a letter reference to removal of inoperable vehicle on Adams Street. An issue with property on Chestnut St. has been tabled.
15. New Business:
- 15.1 CD renewals/investments/issues/transfers: Next CD renewal is July 10.  
  
A special meeting needs to be set to approve the budget. A motion was made to approve a special meeting for Monday, May 18, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. by Joyce Ragle. The motion was seconded by Josh Eisenmenger and was passed 6-0.
  - 15.2 2009 MFT work: An engineer from Berns & Clancy will make a proposal on what needs to be done in the Village. The money available is approximately \$6,000.
  - 15.3 2009 Sidewalk work: A decision will need to be made concerning repairs and/or additions of sidewalks for this budget year.
  - 15.4 Playground Equipment: Two additional garbage can containers are needed for each side of the bleachers. Trustee Althaus has received a catalogue of new playground equipment. This issue will be discussed later.
16. Presentations/Comments from the Board:
- Trustee Althaus advised drainage basins are clogged in various areas. Village maintenance will try to clean them up but if unable will contact DJ Stewart about getting them suctioned.

There was discussion in reference to the road coming out of Cargill needing work. Repair work from the tracks to US45 would cost approximately \$143,000.

Trustee Ragle had trouble with her key in the lock on the door into the Community Building. A request has been made to change the lock on the entrance door.

Joe Lecher was contacted by the Illinois Municipal League in reference to insurance for municipalities. The fee will need to be paid as soon as possible to get a break in fees for early payment.

Trustee Althaus raised the issue on needing extra insurance for ball teams and the importance of having kids in the correct age bracket to insure they are covered.

Rob Russian expressed the need to talk about costs of “No Parking in Fire Lane” signs and the need to appoint an ESDA Director at a Special Meeting.

Complaints in reference to loud music at the Wayside bar on Saturday, May 2 were received by previous board members.

Scott Morris is still interested in keeping the Village web page but has expressed concerns in not getting updates.

17. Announcements:
  - 17.1 The next Village Board Meeting will be June 3, 2009 at 7:00 p.m.
  - 17.2 A Special Board Meeting has been set for Monday, May 18 at 7:00 p.m.
  - 17.3 A Study Session will be held on Wednesday, May 20, 2009 at 7:00 p.m.
  
18. Adjournment: A motion to adjourn was presented by Cheryl Smitley and seconded by Joyce Ragle. The motion was passed unanimously at 9:46 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted By,

Anna Kalk  
Village Clerk

