

REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING
VILLAGE OF FRANKIN GROVE
LEE COUNTY, ILLINOIS

DECEMBER 8, 2008 MINUTES APPROVED JANUARY 12, 2009

On December 8, 2008 the regular meeting of the Village of Franklin Grove, held at the Village Hall, 105 E. South Street, Franklin Grove, Lee County, Illinois, was called to order by President Robert E. Logan with the Pledge of Allegiance at 7:02 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Present: Trustees, Karen Didier, Tony Schaneberg, Ed Uphoff, Keith Roop, Lynn Asp, President Bob Logan and Clerk Lori Smith.

Absent: Trustees Diane Nicholson and Attorney Rolfe Ehrmann

RECOGNITION OF VISITORS

See attached.

VILLAGE CLERK'S REPORT

See attached.

MINUTES

Motion made by K. Roop, seconded by K. Didier to approve the Regular Minutes of the Meeting of November 10, 2008. Passed 5/0

BILLS & LATE BILLS

Motion made by L. Asp, seconded by E. Uphoff to pay bills and make necessary transfers, with the Cummings Central Power bill being held until Ron Miller advises to send it. Passed 5/0

LEGAL ISSUES
(Attorney Ehrmann)

None

ENGINEER'S REPORT
(Ralph Tompkins)

See attached.

Steve Nabor of Baxter & Woodman gave a presentation to the board on the recommended street maintenance program for next year, which was discussed at a meeting on December 4, 2008 with the Streets & Alley's Committee.

Motion made by T. Schaneberg, seconded by K. Roop to allow Baxter & Woodman to bring a basic proposal to the January board meeting with cost estimates for recommended street work. Passed 5/0

Steve Nabor also advised that there has been interest in looking into Railroad Crossing possibilities and one of the directions they were given was to talk to the county, since one of the sites involves a county road.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COORDINATOR
(Lynne Kilker)

None

POLICE REPORT

See attached.

Scott Spangler prompted a discussion with regard to snow removal and why cars are to be moved off the street during a snow fall.

Motion made by L. Asp to allow a Christmas tree in the middle of the intersection of Elm and South Street. Motion died for lack of a second.

GENERAL BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

Motion made by K. Roop, seconded by T. Schaneberg to give gift certificates in the following amounts:

- Full Time - \$60.00 (3)
- Part-Time - \$40.00 (2)
- Bill Uphoff - \$25.00 (1)

Passed 5/0

Motion made by T. Schanberg, seconded by K. Didier to donate \$500.00, provide two port-a-potties and block off a street for the 30th Summer Harvest Festival. Passed 5/0

President Logan advised the board that on January 8, 2009 there will be a meeting to discuss the re-organization of the Summer Harvest Festival Committee.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

WATER & SEWER

(K. Roop Chairman)

Trustee Roop advised that he is looking for a generator for Well #3. Chief Lehman advised that the cement plant in Dixon will be selling used generators on January 20, 2009.

STREETS & ALLEYS

(D. Nicholson Chairman)

See attached.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND PROPERTIES

(E. Uphoff Chairman)

Trustee Uphoff provided the board with the first copy of the CCI Reports. The Tourism Committee has advised of some changes.

Trustee Uphoff advised that he has been meeting with a company and will meet again after the first of the year.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

(K. Didier Chairman)

Motion made by K. Didier, seconded by E. Uphoff to approve the 2008/2009 Tax Levy. Passed 5/0

Trustee Didier presented a letter to the board that will be sent to the auditor's as a response to the concerns on the 2007/2008 audit.

Treasurer's Report has been submitted.

EARLY WARNING SYSTEM COMMITTEE
(Lyn Asp Chairman)

Trustee Asp advised that there is currently \$370.00 in the account and after the holidays she will start putting more things in the paper promoting it.

ADJOURNMENT

As no further business was brought before the board, a motion to adjourn was made by T. Schaneberg seconded by K. Didier and carried by unanimous vote at 9:07 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lori J. Smith
Village Clerk