

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

FEBRUARY 9, 2009 MINUTES APPROVED MARCH 9, 2009

On February 9, 2009 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 7:26 p.m.

**ROLL CALL**

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

**RECOGNITION OF VISITORS**

See attached.

President Logan advised that Wendy Ryerson, Lee County Chief Assessor, was ill and would not be attending the meeting. John Nicholson advised that if anyone had specific questions for Wendy or the Lee County Zoning Board with regard to windmills, he would be happy to relay those questions.

**VILLAGE CLERK'S REPORT**

See attached.

**MINUTES**

**Motion** made by K. Roop, seconded by E. Uphoff to approve the Regular Minutes of the Meeting of January 12, 2009. Passed 6/0

**BILLS & LATE BILLS**

**Motion** made by L. Asp, seconded by D. Nicholson to pay bills, late bill of \$256.24 to USA Blue Book and make necessary transfers. Passed 6/0

**LEGAL ISSUES**  
**(Attorney Ehrmann)**

**Motion** made by K. Didier, seconded by K. Roop to approve the First Reading of a Draft Ordinance to make Water & Sewer Service Bills the responsibility of Property Owners on a grandfathered basis and hold a Public Hearing on March 12, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. before the Regular Board Meeting. Passed 6/0

President Logan gave the board a draft of a Ground Water Protection Plan with a 400 foot set back for review.

**ENGINEER'S REPORT**  
**(Ralph Tompkins)**

Ralph Tompkins addressed the following:

1. Street Maintenance Project
  - Finish evaluation
  - Submit to IDOT - mid March
  - Advertise in IDOT Bulletin
  - Open bids on 4-16-09
  - IDOT requires 8 day protest period
  - Award on 5-11-09
  
2. Stimulus Package
  - Federal Stimulus Monies
  - State Infrastructure Funding
  - Capital Improvements - shovel ready and want list

Ralph Tompkins advised that Baxter and Woodman will do the pre-applications for the village and will set up an appointment with Keith Roop and Diane Nicholson to create a list of projects.

**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COORDINATOR**  
**(Lynne Kilker)**

Lynne Kilker wanted to mention that when Ogle County developed their ordinance on windmills they based it on Lee County's.

Lynne also advised that the RC&D is developing a list of projects and when our list is ready to make sure the RC&D also gets one.

President Logan said a special "Thanks" on behalf of the board to Don Falls and Lynne Kilker for their participation in the CCI Action Plan.

## **POLICE REPORT**

See attached.

President Logan requested that before the March meeting, Chief Lehman completes an evaluation on Officer Harney.

## **GENERAL BUSINESS**

### **NEW BUSINESS**

**Motion** made by L. Asp, seconded by K. Didier to allow the Village to sponsor yard sales during the Harvest Festival and that all monies collected would go to the Early Warning System Fund. Passed 6/0

**Motion** made by K. Roop, seconded by Tony Schaneberg to approve the Employee Evaluation forms as presented. Passed 6/0

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

### **WATER & SEWER**

(K. Roop Chairman)

See attached.

Trustee Roop advised that there was a complaint made to the EPA with the way we handled the last boil order. The EPA approved the plan currently in place, but "boil order" signs have been purchased to place at each entrance into town and door tags that can be used when it only affects a small section of town.

Ron Miller advised that if anyone has a complaint with the water they need to contact him. The shop number and his cell number are listed at the Village Hall, but he doesn't receive calls, he hears about it second hand.

Trustee Roop advised he received a price on a new generator, but is holding off until he sees what a new pump will cost at Well No. 3. The pump at Well No. 3 was put in used in 1954.

### **STREETS & ALLEYS**

(D. Nicholson Chairman)

See attached.

Trustee Nicholson noted that we are doing fine on the salt situation.

## **COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND PROPERTIES**

(E. Uphoff Chairman)

**Motion** made by E. Uphoff, seconded by K. Roop to approve the Final Reading of the CCI Action Plan with corrections. Passed 6/0

## **FINANCE COMMITTEE**

(K. Didier Chairman)

Trustee Didier advised that she will present the proposed budget at the next meeting and will have a final budget in April

## **HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMITTEE**

(Lynn Asp Chairman)

See attached.

## **EARLY WARNING SYSTEM COMMITTEE**

(Lynn Asp Chairman)

See attached.

## **OTHER BUSINESS**

Trustee Roop advised that we need to be looking at garbage rate increases. President Logan suggested we get cost estimates ready when the contract comes up for renewal in November of this year.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

As no further business was brought before the board, a motion to adjourn was made by E. Uphoff, seconded by T. Schaneberg and carried by unanimous vote at 9:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lori J. Smith  
Village Clerk

