

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

JANUARY 12, 2009 MINUTES APPROVED FEBRUARY 9, 2009

On January 12, 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 7:00 p.m.

**ROLL CALL**

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

Absent: Attorney Rolfe Ehrmann  
Trustee Tony Schaneberg arrived at 7:04 p.m.

**RECOGNITION OF VISITORS**

See attached.

**VILLAGE CLERK'S REPORT**

See attached.

**MINUTES**

**Motion** made by K. Roop, seconded by L. Asp to approve the Regular Minutes of the Meeting of December 8, 2009. Passed 6/0

**BILLS & LATE BILLS**

**Motion** made by L. Asp, seconded by D. Nicholson to pay bills, following late bills: Pfoutz Plumbing & Heating - \$168.60; Morley Signs - \$360.00; Dixon Ford - \$136.58; Postmaster - \$42.00 and make necessary transfers. Passed 6/0

**LEGAL ISSUES**  
(Attorney Ehrmann)

None

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

None

**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COORDINATOR  
(Lynne Kilker)**

None

**POLICE REPORT**

See attached.

Chief Lehman advised that the squad was backed into and damaged by someone from the States Attorney's office when Officer Harney was transporting a prisoner. President Logan advised that they will be assessing the damage and see what action to take.

Chief Lehman also informed the board that last week he attended a twenty hour mandatory training course, at his own expense, with the main topic being Homeland Security.

**GENERAL BUSINESS**

**NEW BUSINESS**

President Logan advised that the board needs to begin considering their conservative budgets for 2008/2009 Fiscal Year. President Logan advised he uses the word "conservative" because of legislation being considered that would reduce our funds that we receive from the State.

President Logan advised the 30th Summer Harvest Festival will be held July 31st, August 1st and 2nd, 2009.

President Logan will be promoting an Academy of Awards, March 26, 2009 at Atlasta Park Shelter being put together by himself and a few others.

**Motion** made by T. Schaneberg, seconded by K. Didier to direct a letter back to the FFA advising that we will continue giving contributions from the Clean-Up Day to the FFA.  
Passed 6/0

## COMMITTEE REPORTS

### WATER & SEWER

(K. Roop Chairman)

Trustee Roop advised the following:

- Still looking for a generator
- Leak at Lincolnway Café repaired
- Proposed Ordinance to Bill property owner's of rentals

Scott and Marilyn Spangler presented some ideas with regard to handling the water bill issues that have prompted the proposed ordinance mentioned above. After much discussion, these ideas will be reviewed by the Village Clerk and Water Superintendent to determine their feasibility.

### STREETS & ALLEYS

(D. Nicholson Chairman)

See attached.

**Motion** made by D. Nicholson, seconded by T. Schaneberg to adopt the Resolution for Maintenance of Streets and Highways by the Village of Franklin Grove under the Illinois Highway Code appropriating \$75,000.00 for the purposes of maintaining streets and highways under the applicable provisions of the Illinois Highway Code from January 1, 2009 to December 31, 2009. Passed 6/0

**Motion** made by D. Nicholson, seconded by K. Didier to approve the Engineering Agreement with Baxter & Woodman, Inc. for Maintenance Engineering to be performed by a Consulting Engineer at a cost of up to \$8,150.00 Passed 6/0

**Motion** made by T. Schaneberg, seconded by K. Didier to approve \$1,000.00 to \$1,600.00 to have tree taken out at Flat Iron Park. Passed 6/0

### COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND PROPERTIES

(E. Uphoff Chairman)

See attached.

**Motion** made by L. Asp, seconded by K. Didier to approve the First Reading of the CCI Action Plan and hold a Public Hearing at 6:00 p.m., Monday, February 9, 2009 before the Regular Meeting. Passed 6/0

**Motion** made by T. Schaneberg, seconded by E. Uphoff to table discussion about considering a separate Properties Committee. Passed 6/0

## **FINANCE COMMITTEE**

(K. Didier Chairman)

Trustee Didier passed out budget worksheets and requested they be brought back next month.

## **HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMITTEE**

(Lynn Asp Chairman)

Trustee Asp requested the status of Farming Heritage's request to add the H.I. Lincoln and Rooney Buildings to the Franklin Grove Historical District. President Logan will investigate and see what needs to be done.

## **EARLY WARNING SYSTEM COMMITTEE**

(Lynn Asp Chairman)

Trustee Asp advised that there is currently \$487.05 in the account.

## **OTHER BUSINESS**

Trustee Uphoff advised that next month the Planning Committee needs to start meeting regularly.

Trustee Roop questioned why putting the Christmas tree in the street for one night wasn't presented at the last board meeting and didn't feel it was handled correctly.

## **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

