

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

MARCH 10, 2008 MINUTES APPROVED APRIL 14, 2008

On March 10, 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 7:03 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.

VILLAGE CLERK'S REPORT

MINUTES

Motion made by K. Roop, seconded by K. Didier to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of February 11, 2008 subject to correction. Passed 6/0

BILLS & LATE BILLS

Motion made by L. Asp, seconded by T. Schaneberg to pay bills and make any necessary transfers. Passed 6/0

CLERK'S REPORT

None

LEGAL ISSUES
(Attorney Ehrmann)

Trustee K. Roop advised that he received a phone call after the last meeting about a letter being made available to the public that he thought was to be marked "confidential". President Logan advised that it was the advice of our attorney that it be marked "confidential". Trustee Asp argued that there was no motion made and it was not official. Trustee Asp also advised that she didn't show it to everyone.

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

None

**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COORDINATOR
(Lynne Kilker)**

None

Trustee Uphoff advised that the next CCI meeting will be held at the Village Hall on March 25, 2008 at 6:00 p.m.

POLICE REPORT

See attached.

President Logan and Chief Lehman provided the board with a sketch outline of an Officer Training Proposal from the Police & Public Safety Committee for review.

Motion made by L. Asp, seconded by T. Schaneberg to hire Officer Robert Joseph Harney starting March 11, 2008 at \$14.47 per hour with a six (6) month probationary period. Passed 6/0

President Logan swore in Robert Joseph Harney as a Franklin Grove Police Officer.

GENERAL BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

LIBRARY SALE PROGRESS

Attorney Ehrmann advised they are still working on the paper work for the separation of the Well House from the old library property.

Motion made by K. Roop, seconded by K. Didier to sell the old library building as soon as the paper work is complete with a minimum price to be set at the time.

Roll Call Vote: K. Didier – Yes; T. Schaneberg – Yes; E. Uphoff – Yes; D. Nicholson – No; K. Roop – Yes; L. Asp – No. Passed 4/2

Trustee Uphoff and Lynn Kilker will start looking into producing an add for the sale of the library property and start looking at businesses that might be suitable.

NIMA MEETING

President Logan advised that Tim Bivins will be the speaker at the upcoming Northern Illinois Mayor's Association Dinner to be held Thursday, March 20, 2008 at the Winifred Knox Memorial Library at 6:00 p.m.

Motion made by T. Schaneberg, seconded by E. Uphoff to pay the cost of the meal (\$15.00) for board members, excluding guest, that attend the NIMA meeting as well as Ralph Tompkins. Passed 6/0

PLOW TRUCK BIDS

Clerk Smith advised that she had not received any inquiries or bids for the truck.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

WATER & SEWER

(K. Roop Chairman)

Motion made by K. Roop, seconded by L. Asp to hire Cody Smith at \$7.50 per hour and Adam Herwig at \$8.00 per hour as Summer Help starting March 24th thru March 29th, 2008. Passed 6/0

Trustee Roop advised that they need to purchase two pumps and will continue using the EPA to do the drinking water testing.

STREETS & ALLEYS

(D. Nicholson Chairman)

See attached.

President Logan advised that the action item needs further investigation to determine whose property it is.

There was further discussion with regard to the catch basins on Lahman Street. No action taken.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND PROPERTIES

(E. Uphoff Chairman)

Trustee Uphoff advised that Emily Hart is going to France and wondered if the Village would like to send something along with her that represents the Village of Franklin Grove. Trustee Uphoff will check into it further and Trustee Asp was sure they could come up with something.

Trustee Uphoff advised that an item the PTC was looking at auctioning off would be the naming rights of the Street in front of the schools. There would be a street sign with the individuals name on it that would be taken down after a year. Trustee Uphoff will investigate the legal issues further.

President Logan recommended that the next fiscal year the Village donate \$500.00 to the Lee County Industrial Development Association.

PROPERTIES

(T. Schaneberg)

Motion made by E. Uphoff, seconded by K. Roop to accept the bid from Mike Willstead for \$1,744.00 to replace the garage door at the shop with a Raynor Garage Door.
Passed 6/0

FINANCE COMMITTEE

(K. Didier Chairman)

Motion made by T. Schaneberg, seconded by K. Didier to approve the First Reading of the Proposed 2008/2009 Budget. Passed 6/0

OTHER BUSINESS

Motion made by E. Uphoff, seconded by K. Didier to set the Village Spring Clean-Up Day for April 19, 2008. Passed 6/0

ADJOURNMENT

As no further business was brought before the board, a motion to adjourn was made by T. Schaneberg, seconded by E. Uphoff and carried by unanimous vote at 9:06 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lori J. Smith
Village Clerk

