

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

NOVEMBER 12, 2007 MINUTES APPROVED DECEMBER 10, 2007

On November 12, 2007 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 at 7:24 p.m., immediately following the Public Hearing.

**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.

Ed Floto addressed the board and requested the following:

- Formal request from the Business Association for assistance with the cost of printing of brochures.
- Lion's Club would like to put Christmas tree in middle of intersection of Elm Street and South Street.
- Donation of a gift to raffle at Christmas Walk.

**Motion** made by K. Roop, seconded by T. Schaneberg to donate \$300.00 toward the printing of the brochures for the Business Association. Passed 6/0

Attorney Rolfe Ehrmann and Police Chief Lehman advised against placing a tree in the middle of any intersection due to liability issues.

Attorney Rolfe Ehrmann advised the board he was unsure of the boards' authority to donate a gift for the raffle. No action was taken by the board.

**Motion** made by L. Asp, seconded by K. Didier to approve a resolution to sanction the Christmas in the Grove held on December 14, 2007. Passed 6/0

President Logan advised the board that Herb Ferguson's issue was about the zoning of his property located on Lincoln Highway. An oversight was made by the Zoning Board and the property was zoned Residential. President Logan advised Mr. Ferguson that the next time there is a Zoning Board meeting, the board would visit the issue and consider, as an administrative act instead of a rezoning issue, changing the zoning of his property.

Kathy Uphoff, AFC School Board member, advised that she was here in August to address the grading issue on Lahman Street and was advised that as a temporary solution the board agreed to do some grading and that a letter would be sent to Mr. Zick as to what would be done. Kathy Uphoff advised that she was told by Mrs. Tilton, School Principal, that there hadn't really been anything done.

President Logan advised that he had not sent the letter yet and asked Trustee Nicholson to address what has taken place. Trustee Nicholson advised that it has been addressed, that about a month ago gravel was hauled in and employee Ron Miller dragged it and did his best to level it with the equipment we had available. Ron Miller and Trustee Nicholson both advised that Mrs. Tilton was aware of the work that had been done.

President Logan advised that the idea was that it would be addressed with the spring projects and Trustee Nicholson advised that, with the acceptance of the Pavement Management Project that Baxter and Woodman would be starting this week, it would also be a part of that.

After much discussion, President Logan apologized for not sending Mr. Zick a letter about what was done to address the Lahman Street situation and advised that nothing further would be done this fall.

Kathy Uphoff advised that the village board needs to work with the school board and have a better relationship than they've had in the past. After some discussion, President Logan advised that we do make every effort to try to make things work. Kathy Uphoff advised that she understands and is starting to get a better impression as to what has happened in the past and why its happened and why things are going to work the way they work.

## **VILLAGE CLERK'S REPORT**

### **MINUTES**

**Motion** made by L. Asp, seconded by K. Didier to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of October 8, 2007. Passed 6/0

## **BILLS & LATE BILLS**

**Motion** made by K. Roop, seconded by D. Nicholson to pay bills, late bill of \$1,563.50 to the Lee County Highway; \$200.00 to Fast Mailing Service; \$165.25 to Ehrmann Gehlbach Badger and Lee and make any necessary transfers. Passed 6/0

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

None

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

A reminder that the Planning Seminar 101 will be held Tuesday, November 13, 2007 at 7:00 p.m. til 9:00 p.m. at Atlasta Park.

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

Lynne Kilker advised that a whole lot of work has gone into the Comprehensive Plan by the board, committees and people in this community and would like to commend them and advised that the implementation is the next step.

Lynne advised that there is a Fish Hatchery that is looking to locate within 1 ½ hours from Chicago and there is a company that makes windmills and she will be meeting with them next week.

## **POLICE REPORT**

See attached.

Chief Lehman extended an offer to individual board members to ride with officers to see what they actually do.

Chief Lehman asked if anything was needed from the officer's during the Christmas in the Grove. Ed Floto advised that he would get with Chief Lehman with any needs.

President Logan advised that he received an unsolicited bid for a police car, but was advised by Chief Lehman that a new car would not be needed for at least a year.

## **GENERAL BUSINESS**

### **NEW BUISNESS**

### **ZONING ISSUES**

**Motion** made by K. Roop, seconded by K. Didier to purchase four copies of the International Building Code and set a Public Hearing for adoption of the Building Code to be held before the Regular Meeting on December 10, 2007 at 6:45 p.m.

**Motion** made by T. Schaneberg, seconded by L. Asp to accept the Resignation of the Zoning Board President effective November 9, 2007. Passed 6/0

President Logan requested that, with the completion of the Comprehensive Plan, those board members who have been committee chairmen and involved in committees to make some recommendations, from members who have served with them as members, to complete the Planning Commission and Zoning Board.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

### **WATER & SEWER**

(K. Roop Chairman)

Trustee Roop advised the following:

- Still need a Well Head Protection Ordinance
- Changed Sand Filter
- Flush Hydrants next week
- Well Draw Down

### **STREETS & ALLEYS**

(D. Nicholson Chairman)

See attached.

**Motion** made by K. Didier, seconded by T. Schaneberg to purchase a 1998 International 2 ½ ton dump truck from Hawkeye Truck & Trailer. Full cost of truck is \$14,800.00, minus down payment of \$2,000.00 for a balance due of \$12,800.00. Passed 6/0

President Logan advised that the deposit of \$2,000.00 was made by a census of the board.

**COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND PROPERTIES**  
(E. Uphoff Chairman)

See attached.

Trustee Uphoff advised that the CCI Survey has been sent out.

**Motion** made by E. Uphoff, seconded by K. Roop to approve the Village of Franklin Grove 2007 Comprehensive Plan with the inclusion of the Living History Antique Equipment Association. Passed 6/0

**PROPERTIES**  
(T. Schaneberg)

See attached.

**Motion** made by K. Didier, seconded by K. Roop to dismantle the little shed at Atlasta Park. Passed 6/0

**FINANCE COMMITTEE**  
(K. Didier Chairman)

**Motion** made by K. Roop, seconded by T. Schaneberg to approve the proposed Tax Levy. Passed 6/0

**Motion** made by D. Nicholson, seconded by L. Asp to accept the Treasurer's Report as presented. Passed 6/0

**Motion** made by K. Didier, seconded by L. Asp to approve President Robert Logan to accept any changes made by the County to the Tax Levy. Passed 6/0

**ADJOURNMENT**

As no further business was brought before the board, a motion to adjourn was made by T. Schaneberg, seconded by D. Nicholson and carried by unanimous vote at 9:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lori J. Smith  
Village Clerk

