

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

OCTOBER 8, 2007 MINUTES APPROVED NOVEMBER 12, 2007

On October 8, 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 7:08 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 D. Nicholson to approve the Minutes of the Regular and Executive Meetings of September 10, 2007. Passed 6/0

**BILLS & LATE BILLS**

**Motion** made by L. Asp, seconded by K. Didier to pay bills, late bill of \$17,419.50 to the Illinois Municipal League and make any necessary transfers. Passed 6/0

**CLERK'S REPORT**

Clerk Smith advised that the auditor's should be here for the November meeting and that they are currently working on our Treasurer's Report and Tax Levy.

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

President Logan advised the board that Roger Fisher, President of the Franklin Grove Library Board advised the Library Board has accepted the offer made by the Village of \$48,000.00 for the purchase of the old library building.

**Motion** made by K. Roop, seconded by K. Didier to approve Ordinance No. 686-07 Requesting The Sale Of Real Property From The Franklin Grove Library Board.  
Passed 6/0

**POLICE REPORT**

See attached.

Chief Lehman advised that the court dates for both Jim Lahman and DeWayne Harbach have been set for October 30, 2007 and that they are both currently receiving two citations a day for ordinance violations.

**Motion** made by T. Schaneberg, seconded by E. Uphoff to approve the Trick or Treat hours from 4:30 p.m. until 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, October 31, 2007. Passed 6/0

**ENGINEER'S REPORT**  
**(Bill Blecke)**

Bill Blecke advised there has been no action on the Lahman Development. Baxter & Woodman are proceeding with getting information on the Village Water System so that they can get that to Wandler Engineering so he can get the EPA Permit Application submitted. They are still waiting to hear from the IDOT for approval of the access location. President Logan advised that we are still waiting for Mr. Lahman's Escrow Account to be brought back up to the \$10,000.00 as stated in the agreement.

Bill Blecke advised the board that after checking with other municipalities that it is pretty universal that they all use the International Code Book and then they make some of their own amendments.

**Motion** made by K. Roop, seconded by K. Didier to approve the purchase of a copy of the International Building Code with the latest date available. Passed 6/0

**COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT**  
**(Lynne Kilker)**

Lynne Kilker advised the board that Ed Uphoff has been accepted to attend the Principals and Practice of Economic Development held in Naperville October 15, 16 and 17<sup>th</sup>. The Commonwealth Edison Grants were no longer available, but Nicor Gas has agreed to sponsor Trustee Uphoff.

Lynne also advised the board that there are currently two businesses looking at this area and asked if the board would like her to find out some basics. The board directed Lynne to find out what basic requirements they would be looking for in order to determine the direction the board wants to go.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**WATER & SEWER**  
**(K. Roop Chairman)**

See attached.

Trustee Roop advised that they had problems with Well No. 1. It has been showing E-Coli when tested. They shocked it three times and have had two samples come back alright and will probably take another one just to be sure.

Trustee Roop also advised that we need a Well Head Protection Ordinance. President Logan will have something for the November meeting.

**STREETS & ALLEYS**  
**(D. Nicholson Chairman)**

See attached.

After some concerns were raised about the condition of the box and the amount of rust on the proposed truck, it was recommended that Trustee Schaneberg continue looking to see what other used trucks are available.

**Motion** made by K. Didier, seconded by L. Asp to allow Baxter & Woodman to proceed with the Pavement Management Report. Passed 6/0

Trustee Uphoff asked the status on Lahman Street with regard to the drainage issue the Elementary School addressed in the past. Trustee Nicholson said the situation on Hughes Street has been taken care of and she has spoken to the Township to see if some excavation can be done on Lahman Street to get the water flowing.

After much discussion, President Logan recommended that Trustee Nicholson look at a catch basin and slope the street to get to the catch basin. President Logan will send a letter to the school board advising them what we intend to do. Trustee Nicholson asked President Logan to include in the letter that the situation is not being ignored.

## **COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND PROPERTIES**

(E. Uphoff Chairman)

Trustee Uphoff advised that on November 11<sup>th</sup> he will be meeting with Don Falls to go over the Survey questions for CCI. They will also be putting together a second survey for people from outside the community.

The next CCI meeting with Don Falls will be October 23<sup>rd</sup> at 7:00 p.m. at the Village Hall. Trustee Uphoff advised that copies of the Comprehensive Plan will be left at the Library, Village Hall and the Lincoln Highway Building.

Trustee Schaneberg advised that he received a quote from Ron and Zach Miller for replacing the roof at the Lion's Club Shelter for \$2,350.00 (Labor \$750/Materials \$1,600).

**Motion** made by K. Didier, seconded by D. Nicholson to accept the proposal from Ron and Zach Miller for a new roof at the Lion's Club Shelter at Atlasta Park. Passed 6/0

Trustee Schaneberg advised that a new garage door and operator were needed at the Quonset and presented bids from both Raynor Garage Door and Bushman Door (see attached). Trustee Schaneberg also advised that the Township would pay for half the cost.

**Motion** made by K. Roop, seconded by E. Uphoff to accept the bid for the Raynor Garage Door and Operator with the Village portion being \$1,210.00. Passed 6/0

Trustee Schaneberg advised that the Women's Club didn't feel there was enough light at the shelter at Atlasta Park at night. Trustee Uphoff felt that a light on top the basketball poll would probably work. President Logan suggested that Trustee Schaneberg contact Jim Fox at Commonwealth Edison to see if he could provide us a light at no cost.

Trustee Schaneberg proposed that a garage be built behind the Village Hall to house the police car. President Logan asked Trustee Schaneberg to draw up specs and get bids for the proposed garage and bring them to the November board meeting. It was also suggested that a survey of the property may also be necessary.

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

Trustee Didier advised that she will talk to the bank to see what type of loan we can get to purchase the old library building. Trustee Didier would like to consider going with a six month note secured by one of our CD's so that the Village wouldn't have to put any cash out and hopefully within six months we will know what we're doing with the property.

President Logan advised that we will need to have something on the table with regards to the Tax Levy at the November meeting. Clerk Smith advised that she has been in contact with the Auditor's and they are working on it.

**OTHER BUSINESS**

President Logan asked Bill Blecke of Baxter & Woodman to check with Ralph Tompkins to see if Tuesday, November 13, 2007 from 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. would work for them to hold the workshop regarding development projects. The date that was set at the September meeting didn't work with Ralph Tompkins schedule. Bill will advise President Logan if this new date will work.

**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 9:24 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lori J. Smith  
Village Clerk