

**Village of Milledgeville
County of Carroll
State of Illinois**

Minutes from a Regular Board Meeting, February 6, 2017

The Board Meeting was Called to Order at 7:30 p.m. and the Pledge was recited. Roll was Called with the following Trustees responding as "Here", John Helms, Bryan Trotter and Wayne Sprecher.

Others Present: Dean Hollewell, Deb Bailey, Geoff Smith, Jim Pozi, Denny Pate, Jeff Hackbarth, Chris Shores and Jim Haag.

At this time, Galen Wirth reserved the right to vote.

MOTION was made by Helms, sec. by Trotter, to accept the Minutes from the January 2, 2017 Board Meeting. Motion carried (4-0) by omnibus vote.

MOTION was made by Sprecher, sec. by Trotter to pay all current bills as listed. Motion carried (4-0) by omnibus vote.

Old Business: Galen went over the Ordinance Book and the Board decided it was time to adjust the cost for the water hook up for new builds. The previous price was \$250.00 and the Trustees went over what it currently costs for that service. Jeff said he figured it up and currently it costs \$676.54 for the water hookup. That is if there are no problems or extra work to go through. The MOTION was made by Wirth, sec. by Trotter to raise the cost from \$250.00 to \$700.00. Motion carried (3-1) by Roll Call vote with Helms voting No.

Electronic Recycling through another company was next on the agenda. URT is a company the Village is looking at and they will accept TV's and computer monitors for no charge. The MOTION was made by Trotter, sec. by Helms, to switch companies. Motion carried (4-0) by Roll Call vote. Christy will send off the contract to the new company tomorrow.

Recycling of plastics and other items was next on the agenda. A representative from Moring Disposal was first to speak. Denny Pate said his company is offering the Village a five year contract for curbside recycling. They will supply a 20 gallon container with no lid and the cost will be \$5.15 per month. There will be a 3% increase each year. They also have a provision that states if their costs go up they will pass that along to the Village. He said they hope that doesn't happen.

The representative from Republic was next. Jim Pozi stated that his company is asking for a three year contract at \$4.50 per house per month. They will pick up every two weeks and have a 96 gallon container with a lid and wheels. He said they also have two smaller size carts for the people who have a hard time wheeling out the larger container. He said they will leave the carts with the Village so someone won't have to wait for them if they need the smaller cart right away.

Galen and the Board informed both companies that we will table this until the next Board meeting as three of the Board Trustees are gone and this way the Trustees can ask residents again how they feel about a price increase. Galen had a worksheet made up that estimates the residents water and sewer bill going up to \$20.00 instead of the \$14.60 it is every two months. It breaks down to a \$2.70 increase every month. The remainder of the cost would be paid for through the property tax money we currently receive. Galen thanked both representatives.

New Business: MOTION was made by Trotter, sec. by Sprecher, to approve the Treasurer's Report as presented. Motion carried (4-0).

Sprecher asked why we are putting so much money into Main Ave. when there are other areas that we need to fix. He said in front of the church on Main we had said we would work on the parking and the Post Office has horrible pot holes. The dip off of 4th Street to the Post Office needs to be fixed also. He said cars bottom out there and thinks we need to do something there. Jeff said we have redone that area a few times and it is better than it used to be. MOTION was made by Trotter, sec. by Helms, to waive the bidding process for Main Ave and hire Brown Construction. Motion carried (3-1) with Sprecher voting No.

MOTION was then made by Trotter, sec. by Helms, to hire Brown Construction to redo Main Ave. Motion carried (3-1) with Sprecher voting No.

Galen said we have a water tower debt service CD of \$42,017.54 at the bank. It is getting .75% interest. He said we have the water tower loan that we are paying 2.5% interest on. He feels we should cash in the CD and put \$38,000.00 toward the principal of the tower loan. The rest of the money can go into the same account as the rest of the debt service money. MOTION was made by Helms, sec. by Trotter to cash in the CD and make the payment of \$38,000.00 on the loan. Motion carried (4-0) by Roll Call vote.

Galen said the IEPA sent a letter about the underground tanks. He said they stated in the letter that we need to call the State Fire Marshall for any tanks we find and he or she will make the decision on how they need to be removed. It may be that the Village can remove and dispose of them at our cost instead of hiring a company and paying a middle man to do it.

A snow plow was next on the agenda. Jeff was asked to explain the issue and he said we currently have a v plow and Bonnells has one that is 6 inches bigger and they will take our plow as a trade in. It will cost the Village \$5781.31 with the trade in. Jeff said it would have a carbide blade on the new one also which makes it last longer. Helms feels we should table this is if it's not a necessity at this time until more of the Trustees are here. Bryan agreed. Galen will add it to the next agenda.

The skid loader was the next item. It will come from Birkeys Farm Store and after our trade in, the cost would be \$27,000.00 for a 2015 Case SR240. Again, the Board felt they should table this as it isn't something we need right away.

Galen went over the sidewalk by the bank. Brown Construction found out that the construction company that did that sidewalk had put a sealant in the concrete and when we sprayed the salt retardant on it, water started pilling on the sidewalk. When the cold weather freezes it we have a sheet of ice on the sidewalk. Brown said the sealant will eventually wear off and we won't have any more problems. Chris and Jeff will continue to salt it through the winter.

Geoff Smith was present from Willett Hofmann and Associates to have some documents signed for the IDOT turn lane at the Industrial Park. The first item was a warranty deed from Milledgeville to the State of Illinois. The next item was a Resolution to donate property to the State of Illinois. The third was an affidavit stating that the Village does have a title for the land we are donating and the fourth was a paper stating we are donating the land to the State of Illinois and IDOT is receiving the donation of the land. Geoff asked the Village to fax the items once they have them all signed. He said when this is all done we can let the 1st project for bids. He hoped that would be by March 20th. Deb Bailey asked some questions as the turn lane will be directly across from her home. Geoff answered what he could and will

find the answer to her other questions. MOTION was made by Trotter, sec. by Helms, to sign the Resolution for IDOT. Motion carried (4-0) by Roll Call vote.

Jeff told the Board that he had a problem at the sewer plant. A muskrat got into the sludge pumps and got sucked into the pump. He said there is about \$3950.00 in damages. MOTION was made by Trotter, sec. by Sprecher, to fix the problem. Motion was carried by Roll Call vote (4-0). Christy said she has already notified the Insurance Company.

Galen wanted to let the Trustees know that a fork lift hit the sidewalk by the FBFM building and took two chunks out of the sidewalk. The company who damaged it let the Village know and they also talked to Brown Construction. They will take care of repairs to the new sidewalk.

The only Committee Reports were from Jim Haag who asked the Trustees permission to attend an elderly service conference for the police. Galen said we have a high quantity of elderly people and the Trustees thought it would be worthwhile. Jim said he will ride with someone and the conference will be paid for. He will need hotel costs and meals though. The Trustees said he should go. It will be the last part of March in Peoria.

With no further business, MOTION was made by Helms, sec. by Trotter, to adjourn at 8:41 p.m.

Approved Minutes Taken By

Christine A. Ottens, Village Clerk