

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

Minutes from a Public Works Committee Meeting

A Committee Meeting was Called to Order at 6:30 p.m. at the Village Hall in Milledgeville on February 20, 2017 by Bill Stage. Roll was taken and John Helms, Bryan Trotter, Jeff Hackbarth and Galen Wirth were present. Stage started the meeting discussing the new skid loader and said we currently have \$40,639.16 in the Street and Alley equipment replacement fund. The skid loader would cost \$27,000.00, the snow plow would cost \$5,700.00, mud flaps are \$450.00, the pressure washer we need to replace is \$3000.00 to \$3500.00 and the mower we have already approved and ordered is \$7500.00. All of those items total more than we currently have in the fund by about \$4,000.00. Stage said he doesn't want to deplete the fund.

Jeff informed the Board that he thinks we need the mud flaps as he thought they would be on the truck when we purchased it. He said if we get the snow plow blade, we could take the truck in for both items and be done with it.

Galen said if we buy the skid loader outright and try to sell ours the company would give us another \$4,000.00 in savings. It is a 2015 they currently want to sell us and he said they go up 1% each year in cost. That means it will cost \$1300.00 more and in two years it would be \$2600.00 more. He said we could sell ours for more money than they would give us for a trade in. Our skid loader is a 2009 which means it is 7 years old. He thinks we should replace it. Helms felt it is not highly necessary to replace it at this time and Stage said it is not at the top of the list right now and he doesn't want to deplete the fund. He said there is nothing currently wrong with it and Trotter agreed with Bill. Jeff said we could hold off on the plow until fall as he hopes we won't need it anytime soon.

After much discussion Trotter said we should hold off on the skid loader at this time but get the blade, pressure washer, mud flaps and the mower as planned. Helms asked if we could get the blade whenever we wanted and Jeff said they do have two in stock right now. Stage said it would be a couple days without the truck though and we could do the flaps and plow at the same time and be done with it.

Galen asked if the committee thought we should help business out with refurbishing the fronts of their buildings. He wonders if we should get a fund started for that. He also talked about the garbage cans on Main Avenue also. He said they need new tops and we need to look into getting those also.

With no further information to discuss, MOTION was made by Helms, sec. by Trotter, to adjourn at 7:09 p.m.

Approved Minutes Taken By
Christine A. Ottens, Village Clerk