



# VILLAGE OF Diamond

**April 12, 2016**

**Proceedings, transactions and resolution made and order of said record of said Board in the Village of Diamond, IL on the 12th Day of April 2016.**

The scheduled meeting of the Diamond Village Board was held on Tuesday, April 12, 2016 at 6:00 p.m. with Mayor Teresa Kernc presiding. Upon roll call Commissioners present were Addis Dean Johnson, Jeff Kasher and Dave Warner. Absent: Carolyn Wilson.

**Approval of Minutes**

**MOTION** was made by Commissioner Johnson, **SECOND** by Commissioner Warner to approve the 3/22/2016 meeting as reviewed and place on file. **All Ayes; Motion Carried.**

**Approval of Bill List**

**MOTION** was made by Commissioner Kasher, **SECOND** by Commissioner Johnson to approve the list of bills and place them on file. **All Ayes; Motion Carried.**

**Public Comment**

Mayor Kernc welcomed Diamond business owners Fred and Joyce Price. Mr. Price addressed the board regarding a tree in the alley behind his business and inquiring about a light on electric pole in alley way. Mayor Kernc stated it is not the responsibility of the village to maintain lights on private properties. Mayor Kernc stated the light was originally placed there for the previous property owner who would pay the electric usage to the Village. Maintenance Supervisor Bill Wethington stated the cost of the light bulb and the cost of the electric would be charged to Mr. Price as well. Wethington stated the tree in alley has been removed by the Village. Mr. Price stated he would like the area leveled and cleaned up where the tree was removed. Maintenance Supervisor Wethington stated he believes there are drainage hoses under the ground in the area which he could damage if he scrapes the ground. Wethington stated he would have the area cleaned up the best he could however, the area must be maintained by Mr. Price. Mr. Price stated he has someone that maintains his front property and would have them maintain that area as well. Maintenance Supervisor Wethington stated he would like to meet with Mr. Price at the property to see the area and discuss these issues in further detail.

**New Business**

**Debbie Hazlett-GFWC IL Prairie State Woman's Club**

Mayor Kernc welcomed Debbie Hazlett to the meeting. Debbie Hazlett-President of the GFWC IL Prairie State Woman's Club introduced herself along with Julie Reeves-Vice President. Ms. Hazlett thanked the board for supporting Child Abuse Prevention Month and allowing the placement of pinwheels at the Village hall acknowledging Pinwheels for Prevention-the national symbol for child abuse prevention. Ms. Hazlett and Ms. Reeves distributed pinwheel pins to board members which they can wear to show their support for this cause.

### **Proclamation-April 2016 Child Abuse Prevention Month in Diamond, IL**

Mayor Kernc presented the Proclamation declaring April 2016 to be Child Abuse Prevention Month in Diamond, IL. **MOTION** was made by Commissioner Warner, **SECOND** by Commissioner Kasher to Proclamation-April 2016 Child Abuse Prevention Month. **All Ayes; Motion Carried.**

### **Alex Kuhal-Soccer Club**

Mayor Kernc welcomed Mr. Kuhal to the meeting. Mr. Kuhal acknowledged the positive feedback from parents of the soccer players utilizing the soccer field. Mr. Kuhal addressed the board with the issue he is facing with the fence on the property. Mr. Kuhal asked the Board if the fence could be removed. He stated removing the fence would allow the placements of the goal posts to be repositioned, allowing grass to regrow in those areas during the changed location of the goal posts. Mr. Kuhal would also like to see the ditch to be filled in or place a draining pipe to allow draining of the higher pitched area. Commissioner Johnson acknowledged this would be beneficial for the soccer club and those teams utilizing the field. Mayor Kernc stated she would have the maintenance department take the fence down. Mr. Kuhal stated he had a parent that would be willing to donate their time to level the field. Mayor Kernc asked Mr. Kuhal to contact her once he speaks with the person to excavate the field. Mayor Kernc agreed to contact local construction companies in an effort to have some work donated.

### **Royal Family Kids**

Mayor Kernc welcomed Ron Mueller and his daughter Jenny. Jenny stated Royal Family Kids is a national leading network for foster children that provide camps, clubs and mentoring for children of abuse, abandonment and neglect. The Mueller's asked the board for permission to distribute bags on resident's doors throughout the community for the donation of goods which will be used during the Royal Family Kids Camp being held this summer at Camp Shaw-Waw-Nas-See. Mr. Mueller will contact the Village when the date is confirmed for the distribution of the bags. Mayor Kernc stated once the date is confirmed, the information will be placed on the Village's website. **MOTION** was made by Commissioner Johnson, **SECOND** by Commissioner Kasher to approve Royal Family Kids to distribute bags throughout community as fundraising effort to support the Royal Family Kids Camp. **All Ayes; Motion Carried.**

### **Approval Of Ordinance #2016-06; Ordinance Adopting Building Codes and Technical Amendments for the Village of Diamond**

Mayor Kernc stated P & Z Commissioner Mark Adair, Village Attorney John Gallo and P & Z Coordinator Cindy Haywood worked to update the building codes. Village Attorney John Gallo explained the technical amendments were necessary to specific codes. Commissioner Kasher expressed concern regarding the sprinkler system requirement. Village Attorney addressed his concern and explained this amendment would apply for all new units built which contain more than 3 units. Village Attorney John Gallo stated P & Z Coordinator must be appointed as the Building Official in conjunction with the newly adopted building codes and technical amendments. **MOTION** was made by Commissioner Warner, **SECOND** by Commissioner Kasher to approve Ordinance 2016-06; Ordinance Adopting Building Codes and Technical Amendments for the Village of Diamond. **All Ayes; Motion Carried.**

### **Old Business**

None

### **Legal Counsel**

No Report

### Engineer Updates

Absent

### Maintenance Updates

Maintenance Supervisor Bill Wethington stated he met with Nicor regarding installing gas lines at the lift stations. Wethington discussed the lift station locations and process which will need to be completed to install generators at all the locations. The McGinty St. lift station will require a permit from IDOT which takes 90 days, then once approved, it will take an additional 60 days for Nicor to install gas lines. Maintenance Supervisor Wethington stated pads will be poured ahead of time at all lift station locations. Mayor Kernc stated Nicor covers the first 60 feet of line for free, so she will proceed having all gas lines installed. Mayor Kernc stated to complete this work; it will cost approximately \$2,000 for all 4 locations to install gas lines. Mayor Kernc stated, once this phase has been completed, then the generator work will go out to bid. Mayor Kernc stated installation of generators at the lift stations will be based on affordability within the Village's budget.

### Clerk Updates

Village Clerk Lori Holmes stated Village Maintenance Supervisor Bill Wethington has completed the GIS mapping of the Village's fire hydrants. Clerk Holmes stated she is scheduled for web training for uploading the completed data.

### Commissioner Comments

#### **Commissioner Kasher:**

No Report

#### **Commissioner Wilson:**

Absent

#### **Commissioner Warner:**

Commissioner Warner stated the intern who was interviewed and to be hired has accepted another position elsewhere; therefore, the search has begun again for prospective intern candidates. Mayor Kernc stated she has reached out to Joliet Junior College and Coal City High School for assistance for prospective candidates.

#### **Commissioner Johnson:**

No Report

#### **Mayor Kernc:**

No Report

### Adjournment

**MOTION** was made to adjourn the meeting at 7:00 PM by Commissioner Warner, **SECOND** by Commissioner Kasher. **All Ayes; Motion Carried.**

### **Respectively Submitted:**

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Lori Holmes, Clerk  
Approved on April 26, 2016