



## September 13, 2016

### **Proceedings, transactions and resolution made and order of said record of said Board in the Village of Diamond, IL on the 13th Day of September 2016.**

The scheduled meeting of the Diamond Village Board was held on Tuesday, September 13, 2016 at 6:00 p.m. with Mayor Teresa Kernc presiding. Upon roll call Commissioners present were Jeff Kasher, Dave Warner and Carolyn Wilson. Absent: Addis “Dean” Johnson.

#### **Approval of Minutes**

**MOTION** was made by Commissioner Kasher, **SECOND** by Commissioner Warner to approve the 8/23/2016 meeting minutes and place on file. **All Ayes; Motion Carried.**

#### **Approval of Treasurer’s Report**

**MOTION** was made by Commissioner Wilson, **SECOND** by Commissioner Kasher to approve the August 2016 Treasurer’s Report and place it on file. **All Ayes; Motion Carried.**

#### **Approval of Bill List**

**MOTION** was made by Commissioner Wilson, **SECOND** by Commissioner Warner to approve the Bill List and place it on file. **All Ayes; Motion Carried.**

#### **Public Comment**

Mayor Kernc welcomed Commander Charles Brown of St. Juvin Post #1336 Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States to the meeting. Commander Brown presented the United Mine Workers of America Local Union 1147; Honor Roll of WWII restored document. Commander Brown made acknowledgement to the Board for their donation towards this preservation project. Commander Brown also showed a short video of the restoration process. Mayor Kernc stated the restoration work looks like museum quality. Commander Brown stated the piece will be hung on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor of the Coal City Library, once it has been presented to those Villages and organizations who so graciously donated to this important preservation project. Commander Brown advised that he would be dropping off a smaller framed copy of the document to be displayed at the Village Hall.

Mayor Kernc welcomed Cecile and Randall Brown of Diamond to the meeting. Cecile addressed the board regarding vehicle traffic in and out of Burt Estates. Brown asked the Board if the back gate/opening to Burt Estates could be open so that traffic could flow from both sides of the park. Mayor Kernc addressed the Brown’s concerns however, she reiterated to the Brown’s from a past meeting regarding these issues, Burt Estates is private property therefore, the Village Board cannot force them to open the back gate. After discussion, Mayor Kernc stated the Board would like to help however; they cannot help the way the Brown’s desire. The Board cannot resolve the issue at this time.

## New Business

### Approval of Change Order for the Water Tank Repainting in the amount of \$6,1400.00

Mayor Kernc stated this item was a consensus from the last board meeting which now needs formal approval. **MOTION** was made by Commissioner Warner, **SECOND** by Commissioner Wilson to approve the change order for the water tank repainting in the amount of \$6,1400.00. **All Ayes; Motion Carried.**

### Discussion of 130 Perona Court

Mayor Kernc asked Maintenance Supervisor Bill Wethington to discuss this issue. Wethington distributed pictures taken by the homeowner of the drainage issues on his property. Wethington stated all the village whistles are cleaned and working at both ends of the street. Village Engineer Mike Perry stated this drainage issue isn't a Village issue; the underlying issues are from homeowners grading and property elevations. Commissioner Jeff Kasher stated he looked at this issue several years ago. There is nothing the Village can do to solve this. It was decided that Commissioner Kasher and Maintenance Supervisor Wethington will speak with the homeowner about his concerns.

### Letter to Wilmington

Mayor Kernc stated she attended a meeting which she was informed about the development of a large warehousing project being developed in the Will/Grundy area which will add larger amounts of trucks and traffic in the areas. Kernc stated she is concerned about the traffic control on Interstate 55 and the continuing expansion of Ridgeport. Kernc stated we have a responsibility to safeguard the safety of our residents, including when they are traveling to and from our community. Kernc stated she would like to send a letter to Mayor Orr regarding this concern and addressing the interchange at Route 129 which was to be newly constructed. Mayor Kernc presented the letter to the board for approval. **MOTION** was made by Commissioner Warner, **SECOND** by Commissioner Kasher to approve the mailing of the letter to Mayor Orr of Wilmington. **All Ayes; Motion Carried.**

## Old Business

### Approval of IDOT Agreement for Signalization at Route 113 & Will Road

This business was passed until next board meeting.

### Legal Counsel

Village Attorney John Gallo stated he has worked immensely to complete the paperwork needed for the STP2 project. Gallo stated all documents will be filed and certified tomorrow for the November bid letting.

### Engineer Updates

Village Engineer Mike Perry stated he received the permit for the generator contract. Perry stated the water tower tank repainting is going well. Starting September 26, 2016, D Construction will be starting the Bike Path Project and Conley Excavating will be gearing up for the Stellon Street Storm Drainage Project. Perry also stated the pre-bid for the generators bid letting is scheduled for September 27, 2016 at 10:00 AM. Opening bids for the generator project is scheduled for October 7, 2016.

### **Maintenance Updates**

Maintenance Supervisor Bill Wethington stated the maintenance department has been working diligently on the detention pond near School Street and Cherry Tree. Wethington stated the ground being saturated from all the rain, made it difficult to get equipment in to cut down the vegetation. In the process of cutting, the lawn tractor as well as the back hoe became stuck. They are trying Krovar to treat the overgrown vegetation until the ground can dry up and equipment can be brought back in.

### **Clerk Updates**

Village Clerk Lori Holmes stated she received a call from a landlord, whose tenants want to thank the maintenance department on the work they had completed cutting down the weeds and brush near their apartments.

### **Commissioner Comments**

#### **Commissioner Johnson:**

Absent

#### **Commissioner Kasher:**

Commissioner Kasher thanked the maintenance department for the mosquito spraying within the Village.

#### **Commissioner Wilson:**

Commissioner Wilson stated Treasurer Sheryl McDaniel is working on the 2016 TIF Report and is also attending a financial seminar today.

#### **Commissioner Warner:**

Commissioner Warner stated he was reviewing Burt Estates billing rates and volume of use.

#### **Mayor Kernc:**

Mayor Kernc stated due to the recent flooding in Braceville, she offered and Mayor Homa reached out to her requesting our maintenance department spray for mosquitos in his community. Kernc stated she contacted Illinois Emergency Management Association and they amended our permit to allow the Village of Diamond to spray in Braceville. Kernc said it is the neighborly thing to do. Spraying in Braceville took place last night.

### **Adjournment**

**MOTION** was made to adjourn the meeting at 7: 32 PM by Commissioner Kasher, **SECOND** by Commissioner Warner. **All Ayes; Motion Carried.**

### **Respectively Submitted:**

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**Lori Holmes, Village Clerk**