



VILLAGE OF Diamond

April 22, 2014

Proceedings, transactions and resolution made and order of said record of said Board in the Village of Diamond, IL on the 22nd Day of April, 2014.

The scheduled meeting of the Diamond Village Board was held on Tuesday, April 22nd, 2014 at 6:00 p.m. with Mayor Kernc presiding. Upon roll call Commissioners present were Carla Youngquist, Dave Warner, and Jeff Kasher, and Addis Dean Johnson

Approval of Minutes:

MOTION was made by Commissioner Youngquist, **SECOND** by Commissioner Kasher to approve 4/8/14 meeting minutes. **All Ayes, Motion Carried.**

Treasurer's Report:

Treasurer's Report was reviewed. **MOTION** was made by Commissioner Kasher **SECOND** by Commissioner Youngquist to approve the Treasurer's Report. **All Ayes, Motion carried.**

List of Bills:

List of Bills was reviewed. **MOTION** was made by Commissioner Youngquist, **SECOND** by Commissioner Warner to approve the list of bills. **All Ayes, Motion carried.**

Public Comment:

Dan Cassani, 915 Laura Lane, gave an update on their progress with their property which was damaged by the tornado. Mr. Cassani stated that their insurance company was not going to honor Ordinance 2013-13, an amendment to the dangerous building ordinance, but they will still be pursuing a demo permit to ensure they have a safe structure to return to.

New Business:

Commissioner Resignation

MOTION was made by Commissioner Warner, **SECOND** by Commissioner Kasher to accept the resignation of Commissioner Youngquist due to relocation. **Ayes: Warner, Kasher, Johnson, and Kernc. Nays: none. Abstain: Youngquist. Motion Carried**

Mapping/Western Illinois University

After a brief discussion, a **MOTION** was made by Commissioner Kasher, **SECOND** by Commissioner Warner to approve the mapping opportunity from Western Illinois University. **All Ayes, Motion Carried.**

Diamond/Coal City Tornado Relief Fund Update

Mayor Kernc gave the Board and update on the state of tornado relief fund. The "Fishing for a Cure" event sponsored by Exelon Corp brought in over \$58,000 for tornado victims.

Legal Counsel: Village Attorney, John Gallo, informed the Board that they will have 30 days to fill the Commissioner vacancy by appointment. The person who is appointed will serve until the next election in April 2015.

Engineer Updates: Village Engineer, Mike Perry, stated the pressure test for Well #4 was a success, and the project is almost complete.

Clerk Updates: Village Clerk, Dana Grunwald, informed the Board that she and Cindy Haywood have conducted interviews, and that they will be moving to the next steps of the recruitment process by conducting reference and background checks on their top two candidates. She is hoping to make an offer by the end of the week. She stated that she has been working on the community wide garage sale which will be April 26th from 8am-4pm, as well as the Volunteer Clean-up day which will be May 17th. The clean-up day is being organized for homes impacted by the tornado.

Maintenance Department: Bill Wethington, Maintenance Supervisor, stated that the maintenance department will be conducting hydrant flushing until April 25th. He also stated that there have been several inquiries about the restoration of Stellan St after Stott Contracting had put in a new water main. Mr. Wethington also informed the board that the shifting rod in the F450 broke off, and it is being repaired.

Commissioner Comments:

Commissioner Kasher: Commissioner Kasher gave the board an update on the Village fleet of vehicles. He stated that he is currently in the process of finding a used dump truck for the Village.

Commissioner Johnson: Commissioner Johnson stated that he has been looking into several grant opportunities for the parks in the Village, and that he is interested in pursuing the Cities of Service program to help with these opportunities.

Commissioner Youngquist: No Update

Commissioner Warner: Commissioner Warner thanked Commissioner Youngquist for her years of service, and stated that she will be greatly missed.

Mayor Kernc:

Mayor Kernc informed the Board about the Layne Christensen pay request in the Board Packet, as well as a quote from Hamilton Lightning Solutions. Mayor Kernc stated that she would like to keep moving forward with the lightning rod solution. She also informed the Board that the Village was awarded with the grant for the bike path, and she looks forward to starting that project. Mayor Kernc stated that she has been involved with several different communities in creating a water district that could aid if there were water shortages in emergencies. She will inform the Board as more details come forward. Mayor Kernc stated that she met with representatives from “D” Construction and the Village of Coal City to create a punch list of what they would like to see finished in the debris clean up in Richards Crossing. The clean-up will be completed by JK Trotter Enterprises within the next week.

Closed Session:

MOTION was made by Commissioner Warner, **SECOND** by Commissioner Kasher to move to close session for employee evaluations and review of closed meeting minutes. **All Ayes, Motion Carried.**

MOTION was made by Commission Youngquist, **SECOND** by Commissioner Kasher to return to open session. **All Ayes, Motion Carried.**

MOTION was made by Commissioner Warner, **SECOND** by Commissioner Johnson to release the following closed session meeting minutes: 9/14/2004, 2/22/2005, 4/26/2005, 3/14/2006,3/18/2006,6/27/2006, 8/22/2006, 1/23/2007, 4/24/2007, 9/25/2007, 1/22/2008, 4/8/2008, 5/13/2008, 9/9/2008, 10/14/2008, 11/25/2008, 1/27/2009, 2/10/2009, 4/28/2009, 8/25/2009, 9/22/2009, 2/9/2010, 2/23/2010, 4/27/2010, 8/24/2010, 6/26/2012, 3/26/2013, 4/10/2013, 4/23/2013, 5/14/2013, 6/24/2013, 9/10/2013. **All Ayes, Motion Carried.**

Adjournment:

MOTION was made to adjourn the meeting by Commissioner Warner, **SECOND** by Commissioner Youngquist. **All Ayes, Motion carried.**

Respectively Submitted:

Dana Grunwald, Clerk

