



# VILLAGE OF Diamond

**June 24, 2014**

**Proceedings, transactions and resolution made and order of said record of said Board in the Village of Diamond, IL on the 24th Day of June, 2014.**

The scheduled meeting of the Diamond Village Board was held on Tuesday, June 24th, 2014 at 6:00 p.m. with Mayor Kernc presiding. Upon roll call Commissioners present were Carolyn Wilson, Jeff Kasher, and Addis Dean Johnson. Dave Warner was absent.

**Approval of Minutes:**

**MOTION** was made by Commissioner Kasher, **SECOND** by Commissioner Johnson to approve 6/10/14 meeting minutes with suggested changes. **All Ayes, Motion Carried.**

**List of Bills:**

The list of Bills was reviewed; **MOTION** was made by Commissioner Wilson, **SECOND** by Commissioner Kasher to approve the list of bills. **All Ayes, Motion carried.**

**Treasurer's Report:**

**MOTION** was made by Commissioner Wilson, **SECOND** by Commissioner Johnson to approve the Treasurer's Report. **All Ayes, Motion Carried.**

**Public Comment:**

**Tony Mauro**, 2480 Amber Lane, stated that he will be taking over responsibility of the Farmstone Homeowners Association, and was concerned about the piles of brush left over from the tornado. Mayor Kernc stated that the Village will be taking care of disposing of those piles, and they are not the responsibility of the Homeowners Association. Mr. Mauro also wanted clarification as to where the bike path would be located. Mayor Kernc stated that it will be connecting to Amber Lane in the Diamond Estates subdivision. Mr. Mauro asked the Board if he would be able to use the Boardroom for a Homeowners Association meeting, and Mayor Kernc stated that they are welcome to come during normal business hours.

**Kathleen Golema**, 2680 Girot Lane, stated that she was having trouble with her contractor as well as insurance company. She expressed frustration, and asked what the Village could do to help. Mayor Kernc stated that the Village schedules inspections, and their way of controlling the contractors is to not approve faulty work. Ms. Golema stated that she believes her insurance company is acting fraudulently. Attorney John Gallo suggested that Ms. Golema contact the States Attorney office if she feels as though her contractor has acted in a fraudulent manner.

**Robert Terrel**, 2690 Girot Lane, stated that he would like his neighbors dumpster removed as soon as possible. He stated that construction material from other jobs is being dumped in there which is resulting in glass on his driveway daily. He is concerned that his children will be cut when playing

outside, and wants the dumpster removed immediately. Mayor Kernc stated that she will touch base with the contractor and request they remove the dumpster.

**New Business:**

**ITEP IDOT Engineering Agreement**

**MOTION** was made by Commissioner Kasher, **SECOND** by Commissioner Johnson to approve the ITEP IDOT Engineering Agreement in the amount of \$15,720.00 for the engineering of the 8” Asphalt bike path. **All Ayes, Motion Carried.**

**ITEP IDOT Resolution 2014-07**

Mayor Kernc presented the Board with Resolution 2014-07 for the improvement by municipality under the Illinois Highway Code. This resolution is for the bike path that will connect Amber Lane to McGinty Street. **MOTION** was made by Commissioner Johnson, **SECOND** by Commissioner Kasher to approve Resolution 2014-07. **All Ayes, Motion Carried.**

**Diamond Civic Club Donation**

Tamme Crater, president of the Diamond Civic Club, was present to ask the Board to consider making a donation. The Board agreed to make a donation in the amount of \$2000 as they had done in previous years, as well as have a maintenance worker on duty to assist with the events. **MOTION** was made by Commissioner Kasher, **SECOND** by Commissioner Wilson to approve the donation in the amount of \$2000.00 to the Diamond Civic Club in support of their annual Diamond Days Event. **All Ayes, Motion Carried.**

**Approval of Stott Pay Request**

After a brief discussion, the Board was in agreement to pay the Stott pay request for the water main project less a 10% retainer to be paid on completion of the project. **MOTION** was made by Commissioner Kasher, **SECOND** by Commissioner Johnson to approve the payment of Stott Contracting pay request less a 10 % retainer. **All Ayes, Motion Carried.**

**Approval of Bi-Monthly Billing**

Village Clerk, Dana Grunwald, discussed the possibility of moving to a bi-monthly water billing process. The Village is currently on a monthly billing process. The clerk stated that she believes bi-monthly billing will not only cut the labor in half for processing the bills as well as reading the meters, but also lead to a cleaner more efficient process. Dana also suggested moving to full page water bills instead of the post cards that the village currently uses. Not only will it help alleviate residents’ complaints about privacy, it will also help us communicate with residents more efficiently. Commissioner Kasher stated that he would like to see the quote from Neopost for the purchase of a folding and inserting machine. The clerk stated that she will have that available at the next meeting.

**Approval of NeoPost Mailing Folder/Inserter**

Village Clerk, Dana Grunwald, presented a quote from NeoPost for a machine that would fold and insert mailings. This machine would be used for water billing and any other communication needing to be mailed out. Commissioner Wilson suggested looking into outsourcing the printing and stuffing of the bills, and stated she would forward the information on to the clerk for consideration. The purchase of the NeoPost machine was tabled until the outsourcing option could be reviewed.

**Joliet Slammer's Diamond/ Coal City Community Night**

Mayor Kernc announced that July 5<sup>th</sup> will be the Coal City and Diamond Community Appreciation Night at the Silver Cross Stadium in Joliet. Community members are encouraged to come and enjoy a Joliet Jackhammer's game with their friends and neighbors.

**Legal Counsel:** No Update

**Engineer Updates:** Absent

**Clerk Updates:** No Update

**Maintenance Department:** No Update

**Commissioner Comments:**

**Commissioner Kasher:** No Update.

**Commissioner Wilson:** No Update

**Commissioner Johnson:** No Update

**Commissioner Warner:** Absent

**Mayor Kernc:** Mayor Kernc informed the Board that there will be a bid opening the following day for a crack fill project for the Berta Rd and Rt. 113 intersection. Mayor Kernc stated that she attended another water district meeting in Godley, and that she believes creating this water district is a good opportunity to stay connected for future contingencies.

**Closed Session:**  
No Closed Session

**Adjournment:**

**MOTION** was made to adjourn the meeting by Commissioner Wilson, **SECOND** by Commissioner Kasher at 7:19 PM. **All Ayes, Motion carried.**

**Respectively Submitted:**

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**Dana Grunwald, Clerk**