



# VILLAGE OF Diamond

**January 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 January 2016.**

The scheduled meeting of the Diamond Village Board was held on Tuesday, January 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 Kasher, **SECOND** by Commissioner Johnson to approve 12/8/15 meeting minutes as reviewed and place on file. **All Ayes; Motion Carried.**

**Approval of Treasurer's Report**

**MOTION** was made by Commissioner Johnson, **SECOND** by Commissioner Kasher to approve the November 2015 Treasurer's Report 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 and addressed members of the public who were in attendance. Resident L. McClean addressed the Board on a water drainage problem at her residence, stating the water does not drain in the alley way therefore, causing water to sit on her property. Maclean stated she has several sump pumps operating to keep water away from her home. Resident E. Fatlan addressed the Board regarding the drainage issue as well and stated other neighbors had water in their basements from the lack of drainage. Mr. Fatlan believes a plugged and/or broken storm sewer on Stellan St. is the cause of this drainage issue. Maintenance Supervisor Bill Wethington stated he has been at the locations in question and did see standing water however, Wethington stated this past rainfall was the 15<sup>th</sup> highest rainfall recorded in history, which would also contribute to this drainage issue. After discussion, Village Engineer Mike Perry stated he and Wethington will investigate this issue. Mayor Kernc thanked Ms. McClean and Mr. Fatlan for coming.

**New Business**

**Eagle Scout Project discussion**

Mayor Kernc presented Eagle Scout Drew Pierce. Pierce addressed the Board regarding his Eagle Scout project projected to start this spring at the Miner's Memorial. Pierce presented his plans to the Board. Mayor Kernc stated the Village will provide dirt/sand and rock for the project however; Pierce addressed the Board for additional funds for a blue spruce which will be planted. Commissioner Warner stated contributing to this could be recognized as a park beautification project for Diamond. Village Engineer Mike Perry stated he would meet Pierce at the Memorial and they will complete a spec drawing including exact measurements etc. Commissioner Johnson stated he would like to see a more detailed plan which would also include the price of a blue spruce. After discussion, decision was made for Pierce to return to next board meeting with a detailed drawing and cost figures to present to the Board.

**Approve Zoning and Planning Coordinator Cindy Haywood as Authorized Approver for ACH transactions**

Mayor Kernc stated having Cindy Haywood as an authorized approver would be beneficial for emergency situations which could arise. **MOTION** was made by Commissioner Warner, **SECOND** by Commissioner Johnson to approve Zoning and Planning Coordinator Cindy Haywood as an Authorized Approver for ACH transactions. **All Ayes; Motion Carried.**

**Approval for Final Pay Estimate for the Tornado Project repairs to Spring Road and Berta Road to D Construction in amount of \$32,702.81**

Mayor Kernc presented the bill. Village Engineer Mike Perry stated this would complete payment from the 2014 repair project costs. Mayor Kernc stated there were a few spots which needed additional repairs and D Construction took care of those areas and completed the work required. **MOTION** was made by Commissioner Kasher, **SECOND** by Commissioner Warner to Approval Final Pay Estimate for the Tornado Project repairs to Spring Road and Berta Road to D Construction in amount of \$32,702.81. **All Ayes; Motion Carried.**

**NRG Curtailment Solutions, Inc.**

Mayor Kernc presented the refund which was received for the participation in the Power Pay Program.

**Accept P & Z Recommendation PZ-05-2015 and Approve Ordinance 2016-01**

Village Attorney John Gallo stated the Village has refined the zoning districts and eliminated B-2 property zoning. The Village must adopt a new ordinance to reflect this change. **MOTION** was made by Commissioner Kasher, **SECOND** by Commissioner Johnson to Accept P & Z Recommendation PZ-05-2015 and Approve Ordinance 2016-01. **All Ayes; Motion Carried.**

**Accept P & Z Recommendation PZ-06-2015 and Approve Ordinance 2016-02**

Village Attorney John Gallo stated there are two parcels on same property which had 2 different zoning codes. To be consistent, the entire parcel was rezoned B-3. A Public Hearing was held with no comment. An ordinance must be adopted to reflect this change. **MOTION** was made by Commissioner Warner, **SECOND** by Commissioner Kasher to Accept P & Z Recommendation PZ-06-2015 and Approve Ordinance 2016-02. **All Ayes; Motion Carried.**

**Accept P & Z Recommendation PZ-07-2015 and Approve Ordinance 2016-03**

Village Attorney John Gallo presented the zoning map. Attorney Gallo stated a parcel which was located in the TIF district was zoned R-1 and needed to be consistent with the other parcels within that area which are zoned I-1. A Public Hearing was held with no comment. An ordinance must be adopted to reflect this change. **MOTION** was made by Commissioner Warner, **SECOND** by Commissioner Johnson to Accept P & Z Recommendation PZ-07-2015 and Approve Ordinance 2016-03. **All Ayes; Motion Carried.**

**Accept P & Z Recommendation PZ-08-2015 and Approve Ordinance 2016-04**

Village Attorney John Gallo stated the zoning map required updating of zoning colors to be consistent with other zoning districts as well as make necessary corrections to the table. Gallo stated the Village is required to update maps one time per year. An ordinance must be adopted to reflect these changes. **MOTION** was made by Commissioner Johnson, **SECOND** by Commissioner Kasher to Accept P & Z Recommendation PZ-08-2015 and Approve Ordinance 2016-04. **All Ayes; Motion Carried.**

### **Village of Diamond Facebook Page**

Mayor Kernc stated she would like to see a Facebook Page for the Village to better communicate with residents. Commissioner Warner stated the time to monitor the page would be very time consuming. No further action or discussion will be taken at this time.

### **Arena Auto Auction for Auction of Dump Truck/Surplus Vehicle**

Mayor Kernc stated no bids were received for the dump truck therefore; she would like to sell the dump truck through the Arena Auto Auction. Maintenance Supervisor Bill Wethington stated he has been in contact with a potential purchaser who might be interested in purchasing the vehicle. After discussion, decision was made to set a minimum selling price at \$3,000 for auction and/or selling to private purchaser.

### **Building Codes**

Mayor Kernc stated Zoning and Planning Coordinator Cindy Haywood is working hard on the new zoning codes and updating building codes. Mayor Kernc stated this is a large undertaking and has reached out to another village to discuss their building codes and the codes which they have adopted. After discussion, Village Attorney John Gallo will review the codes which were given to Mayor Kernc and work with Zoning and Planning Coordinator Cindy Haywood in this process. A consensus to move forward with process was given.

### **Old Business**

None

### **Legal Counsel Report**

No Report

### **Village Engineer Report**

No Report

### **Maintenance Supervisor Report**

Maintenance Supervisor Bill Wethington stated with the recent rain and snow precipitation which were record levels, the waste water treatment plant had 1 million gallons of water go through plant. The maintenance workers did a good job of plowing during the recent snowfall.

### **Village Clerk Report**

Village Clerk Lori Holmes reported she and Maintenance Supervisor Wethington had several conference calls with Facility Dude. Clerk Holmes stated she worked with Attorney John Gallo and the Liquor License Application has been updated.

### **Commissioner Comments**

#### **Commissioner Kasher:**

No Report

#### **Commissioner Wilson:**

Absent

#### **Commissioner Johnson:**

No Report

**Commissioner Warner:**

Commissioner Warner stated his concern of the aging water meters and the process which could be implemented to replace those meters. Commissioner Warner asked Maintenance Bill Wethington to obtain an estimate for purchasing additional meters.

**Mayor Kernc:**

Mayor Kernc presented a letter which requested a contribution to help with the restoration of a WWII veteran's plaque which will be displayed at the Coal City Library. Commissioner Warner stated any contributions must directly benefit the Village of Diamond only therefore, no donations can be given. Commissioner Kasher had mixed emotions and inquired if any individuals listed were Diamond residents. Mayor Kernc stated no Diamond residents were listed. After discussion, decision was made that monies will not be given in support of this.

Mayor Kernc stated the Village of Diamond's website has been updated and additional tabs have been added for the Diamond I-55 Corridor TIF District and Diamond Enterprise Zone.

Mayor Kernc stated Mark Skaggs had purchased 2 streetlights which he cannot utilize and asked if the Village would like to purchase them. Mayor Kernc stated these would be beneficial to have and would be used if any current streetlights get hit and/broken due to an accident etc. After discussion, decision was made to negotiate a price to purchase the 2 streetlights.

**Adjournment**

**MOTION** was made to adjourn the meeting at 7:42 PM by Commissioner Warner, **SECOND** by Commissioner Kasher. **All Ayes; Motion Carried.**

**Respectively Submitted:**

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Lori Holmes, Clerk

Approved on January 26, 2016