



# VILLAGE OF Diamond

**November 28, 2017**

**Proceedings, transactions and resolution made and order of said record of said Board in the Village of Diamond, IL on the 28<sup>th</sup> Day of November 2017.**

The scheduled meeting of the Diamond Village Board was held on Tuesday, November 28, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. with Mayor Teresa Kernc presiding. Upon roll call Commissioners present were Jeff Kasher and Carolyn Wilson. Mark Adair-arrived at 6:12 p.m. Absent-Dave Warner.

**Approval of Minutes**

**MOTION** was made by Commissioner Kasher, **SECOND** by Commissioner Wilson to approve the 11/14/2017 regular meeting minutes as reviewed and place on file. **All Ayes; Motion Carried.**

**Approval of the October Treasurer's Report**

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

**Approval of November 28, 2017 Bill List**

**MOTION** was made by Commissioner Wilson, **SECOND** by Commissioner Kasher to approve the November 28, 2017 bill list and place it on file. **All Ayes; Motion Carried.**

**Public Comment**

Diamond resident Norm Pacyga was in attendance. Mr. Pacyga stated he was blown away on how the board conducts their meetings. He is very impressed by the process and the due diligence of the members. Mr. Pacyga voiced a concern regarding the increase of truck traffic on IL Route 113 and the increase of noise from the trucks. Mayor Kernc appreciated Pacyga's concern and read a letter from the Illinois Department of Transportation regarding the structural deficiencies identified at the bridge of IL Route 113 and I-55. Signage will be erected regarding load restrictions which will be imposed.

Mayor Kernc welcomed Bob McGuinn. Kernc stated resident Bob Bianchetta would like to donate a spruce tree to the village. McGuinn stated his brother has a crane which would cost \$400.00 to move the tree and McGuinn would donate his services to secure the Christmas tree. After discussion, decision was made not to move the tree but investigate the alternative of purchasing an evergreen tree to be planted at the Miner's Memorial.

**New Business**

**Approve Cancellation of December 26, 2017 Board Meeting**

**MOTION** was made by Commissioner Kasher, **SECOND** by Commissioner Wilson to approve the cancellation of the December 26, 2017 board meeting. **All Ayes; Motion Carried.**

**Building Code Update**

Commissioner Mark Adair stated a meeting was held with Accurate Review which Cindy Haywood-Planning and Zoning Coordinator, Mayor Kernc and himself were in attendance. Accurate Review did an audit of the village's current building codes and they proposed 2015 building codes. Accurate Review recommended what codes the village should adopt and/or amend to update the village

building codes. Adair stated he felt good about the few changes which were recommended. Commissioner Kasher was concerned with the energy codes. Adair stated this is one of the areas which the village must adopt. Adair stated they will continue to move forward with the update process.

### **Discussion of 2017 Real Estate Tax Extension**

Mayor Kernc presented the historical data and scenarios with several tax rates which was provided by Village Attorney John Gallo. Commissioner Kasher stated the board has a responsibility to the tax payers. Kasher distributed an article to the board regarding the county budget and tax rate drop. Kasher stated he would like to see the village's rate decrease. After discussion, the board decided to move forward with a reduced tax rate of .5515% which will be adopted at the December 12, 2017 meeting.

### **Old Business**

#### **Approve Village Insurance**

Mayor Kernc welcomed Blaine Kurth from the Illinois Municipal League Risk Management Association to the meeting. Village Attorney John Gallo stated he spoke with the states attorney and Will County will not make recommendation to name the IMLRMA as an additional insurer. Kurth stated he spoke with the account manager and if it is a deal breaker that Will County will not sign the IMLRMA onto the policy, the IMLRMA will be able to provide the necessary coverage as stated in the Will County Sheriff's agreement. Mayor Kernc stated a written agreement with the necessary coverage will be required. Commissioner Kasher agreed to be fair to Corkill, the IMLRMA must provide the exact coverage which is in the agreement with Will County. Commissioner Kasher compared the Corkill Insurance to the IMLRMA proposal. Kasher stated the main difference in the two proposals is the deductibles. IMLRMA has lower deductibles than Corkill in several areas that could frequently occur within the village. Mayor Kernc is concerned with the cyber coverages. IMLRMA does not provide the necessary coverages that the village needs. Kurth stated the IMLRMA would also be able to provide an endorsement to the cyber policy which would cover up to \$25,000.00 additional coverage for telecommunications coverage with no additional cost. Commissioner Kasher stated he would like to give IMLRMA the opportunity to provide additional policies to encompass the cyber liability requirements of the village. After discussion, decision was made to pass this item until the December 12, 2017. Decision will be made once all documentation has been presented by IMLRMA.

#### **Grundy and Will County Sheriff's Monthly Update**

No Report

#### **Approve Atlas Companies Phased Market Study Proposal**

Passed

#### **Legal Counsel**

No Report

#### **Engineer Updates**

Absent

#### **Maintenance Updates**

Public Works Director Austin Vining stated there was a water main break on Friday night which required a boil order for residents West of Dewey Street to the North and South of IL Route 113.

Vining stated the work on Border Street is almost completed and the snowflakes have been installed on the streetlights for the upcoming holiday season.

### **Clerk Updates**

Village Clerk Lori Holmes stated she attended the Illinois Rural Water Association Conference last week. Holmes also stated Fox Lawn Homeowners Water Association will be hauling their first load on Friday.

### **Commissioner Comments**

#### **Commissioner Kasher:**

Commissioner Kasher inquired if the water rate could not be increased next year or possibly not implement a total 5% increase. Mayor Kernc stated the water funds are utilized for water main repairs, saving for a new water tower, replacing pumps and motors etc. Village Attorney John Gallo stated the increase is per ordinance. Commissioner Wilson asked how that percentage was calculated for the ordinance. Mayor Kernc stated there was a calculation completed by the village engineer. Kasher stated this is an area of concern from the residents and feels it is unsustainable. Gallo stated he would need to look into this matter.

#### **Commissioner Wilson:**

No Report

#### **Commissioner Adair:**

No Report

#### **Commissioner Warner:**

Absent

#### **Mayor Kernc:**

No Report

### **Adjournment to Closed Session (Ligation and Closed Session Review)**

**MOTION** was made by Commissioner Kasher, **SECOND** by Commissioner Adair to enter closed session at 7:35 p.m. **All Ayes; Motion Carried.**

**MOTION** made by Commissioner Kasher, **SECOND** by Commissioner Adair to enter back into open session with no action taken at 7:45 p.m.

**MOTION** was made by Commissioner Kasher, **SECOND** by Commissioner Adair to release the following closed session minutes: 5-22-2007; 2-12-2008; 4-26-2016; 7-27-2017. **All Ayes; Motion Carried.**

### **Adjournment**

**MOTION** was made to adjourn the meeting at 7:47 p.m. by Commissioner Kasher, **SECOND** by Commission Wilson. **All Ayes; Motion Carried.**

**Respectively Submitted:**

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Lori Holmes, Clerk