



## February 25, 2020

### **Proceedings, transactions and resolutions made and order of said record of said Board in the Village of Diamond, IL on the 25<sup>th</sup> Day of February 2020.**

The scheduled meeting of the Diamond Village Board was held on Tuesday, February 25, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. with Mayor Teresa “Terry” Kernc presiding. Upon roll call Commissioners present were Denise Brown, Jeff Kasher and Dave Warner. Mark Adair-Absent

#### **Approval of 2-11-2019 Minutes**

**MOTION** was made by Commissioner Kasher, **SECOND** by Commissioner Warner to approve the 02/11/2020 regular meeting minutes and place on file. **All Ayes; Motion Carried.**

#### **Approval of February 25, 2020 Bill List**

**MOTION** was made by Commissioner Brown, **SECOND** by Commissioner Kasher to approve the February 25, 2020 bill list and place on file. **All Ayes; Motion Carried.**

#### **Public Comment**

Resident Bonnie DeGroot was present. DeGroot stated Mayor Kernc had answered a lot of her questions with regards to the Will Road project earlier. DeGroot’s concerned with the changes over the past 5 years along I-55 with all truck traffic, intermodals and so forth. She is concerned with keeping noise levels down, truck traffic, etc. down in Diamond. She voiced concern over property which is for sale off Will Road that is being advertised as industrial. She does not want to hear industrial sounds, semi’s etc. if she is sitting in her backyard. Mayor Kernc stated the property along Will Road is zoned light industrial and recommended she go the village website to see the zoning for the village. Commissioner Kasher stated he was born here and has lived here over 50 years and any business which comes into the village must be approved by the Board. Commissioner Warner again recommended DeGroot view the comprehensive plan and zoning ordinances for the village.

#### **New Business**

##### **GECD Speaker Nancy Norton/Presentation**

Mayor Kernc welcomed Nancy Norton-GECD and Christina Van Yperen-Grundy County Chamber of Commerce to the meeting. Norton presented a power point presentation and discussed the Economic Impact Analysis if Dresden Nuclear Generating Station should close. Norton presented the safeguards which the group would like to see in place should a nuclear plant close in Illinois and the Senate Bill 3645 which entails the safeguards. Mayor Kernc thanked Nancy Norton and Christina Van Yperen for coming and presenting.

##### **Presentation Matt Leman; Discussion for Community Center/Park District**

Matt Leman, Diamond resident and educator at the Coal City High School discussed the vision the group has for a possible park district/community center. Leman stated the group would like to bring forth a plan for the construction of a Coaler Community Center. In order to fund the concept, a new governmental entity possessing taxing authority upon land that would be conterminous with the CCFD would be required and would be requested from the voting public in the upcoming April 2021 election. Leman along with Brittany Kaluzny, presented information on

the impact upon households. Leman stated this is in the infant stages and the group is attempting to engage public /private partnerships in order to have a facility constructed without the creation of another governmental entity. They have started a new website informing the public of its efforts and highlighting the steering committee members. They are encouraging residents from the area to go to the website, <http://coalercommunitycenter.com> and take the survey for their input on this matter. Mayor Kernc thanked the group for coming and asked to keep the village updated in this matter.

**Approve to Submit STP3 Will Road Improvement through WCGL (Will County Governmental League)**

Mayor Kernc stated she would like to submit the grant application and presented the information to the board. She is only requesting for Phase 2 engineering from WCGL. Diamond is on the contingency list for the STP3 shared funds through CMAP. If this application is successful, this will allow us to complete Phase 2 engineering and cover 100% since there is no local match, as we are Cohort #4. **MOTION** was made by Commissioner Kasher, **SECOND** by Commissioner Warner to Approve the Submittal for STP3 Will Road Improvement through WCGL. **All Ayes; Motion Carried.**

**Approve Resolution 2020-02; Regarding the Will Road Roadway Reconstruction in the Village of Diamond, Will and Grundy County, IL**

Mayor Kernc stated this must be submitted with the STP3 Will Road Improvement application through WCGL. **MOTION** was made by Commissioner Kasher, **SECOND** by Commission Brown to Approve Resolution 2020-02; Regarding the Will Road Roadway Reconstruction in the Village of Diamond, Will and Grundy County, IL. **All Ayes; Motion Carried.**

**Approve Ordinance 2020-04; Authorizing Issuance of Not to Exceed \$3,570,000 Sewerage System Revenue Bonds for the Purpose of Refunding Outstanding Obligations of the Village**

**MOTION** was made by Commissioner Warner, **SECOND** by Commissioner Kasher to Approve Ordinance 2020-04; Authorizing Issuance of Not to Exceed \$3,570,000 Sewerage System Revenue Bonds for the Purpose of Refunding Outstanding Obligations of the Village. **All Ayes; Motion Carried.**

**Approve Ordinance 2020-05; Authorizing the Issuance of Not to Exceed \$3,570,000 General Obligations Refunding Bonds (Alternate Revenue Source) for the Purpose of Refunding Outstanding Obligations of the Village**

**MOTION** was made by Commissioner Warner, **SECOND** by Commissioner Brown to Approve Ordinance 2020-05; Authorizing the Issuance of Not to Exceed \$3,570,000 General Obligations Refunding Bonds (Alternate Revenue Source) for the Purpose of Refunding Outstanding Obligations of the Village. **All Ayes; Motion Carried.**

**Approve Ordinance 2020-06; Authorizing the Issuance of Not to Exceed \$1,150,000 Waterworks System Revenue Bonds for the Purpose of Refunding Outstanding Obligations of the Village**

**MOTION** was made by Commissioner Warner, **SECOND** by Commissioner Kasher to Approve Ordinance 2020-06; Authorizing the Issuance of Not to Exceed \$1,150,000 Waterworks System Revenue Bonds for the Purpose of Refunding Outstanding Obligations of the Village. **All Ayes; Motion Carried.**

**Approve Ordinance 2020-07; Authorizing the Issuance of Not to Exceed \$1,150,000 General Obligation Refunding Bonds (Alternate Revenue Source) for the Purpose of Refunding Outstanding Obligations to the Village**

**MOTION** was made by Commissioner Warner, **SECOND** by Commissioner Brown to Approve Ordinance 2020-07; Authorizing the Issuance of Not to Exceed \$1,150,000 General Obligation Refunding Bonds (Alternate Revenue Source) for the Purpose of Refunding Outstanding Obligations to the Village. **All Ayes; Motion Carried.**

**Information; Designating/Certifying Heritage Corridor Convention and Visitors Bureau**

Mayor Kernc presented the letter supporting the State of Illinois and the Illinois Office of Tourism the designated/certification for the Heritage Corridor Convention and Visitors Bureau, as the agency for promoting tourism for the upcoming fiscal year. **MOTION** was made by Commissioner Kasher, **SECOND** by Commissioner Brown to allow Mayor Kernc to mail the letter Designating/Certifying Heritage Corridor Convention and Visitors Bureau. **All Ayes; Motion Carried.**

**Approve Mayor Kernc Travel, Meal and Lodging Reimbursement Form for IML Lobby Day**

Mayor Kernc stated this is the cost for parking and hotel for attending the IML Lobby Day in April. **MOTION** was made by Commissioner Kasher, **SECOND** by Commissioner Warner to Approve Mayor Kernc Travel, Meal and Lodging Reimbursement Form for the IML Lobby Day. **All Ayes; Motion Carried.**

**Peterman Request**

Mayor Kernc stated Mrs. Peterman inquired if dirt could be placed on the bike path since they were going to bring in dirt for their yard. Since the village does not own that property, Kernc reached out to the new owner of the property. Permission was granted for Peterman to place the dirt there for a short time to complete the project. Peterman was informed of the permission, at which time, she asked for the village to pay for the dirt and new grass seed. Kernc stated that this request would be brought to the board. Request was denied unanimously. **MOTION** was made by Commissioner Warner, **SECOND** by Commissioner Brown to deny the Peterman request for dirt and grass seed at the village's expense. **All Ayes; Motion Carried.**

**Azavar Quarterly Update February 2020**

Quarterly report presented.

**Old Business**

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

Will County Report was presented which reflected routine calls.

**Engineer Updates**

No Report

**Public Works Department Updates**

No Report

**Clerk Updates**

No Report

**Commissioner Comments**

**Commissioner Kasher**

No Report

**Commissioner Brown**

No Report

**Commissioner Adair**

No Report

**Commissioner Warner**

No Report

**Mayor Kernc**

Mayor Kernc presented the board a letter from CPA Janet Brown informing the village that she will no longer be conducting audits.

**Adjournment**

**MOTION** was made to adjourn the meeting at 7:35 p.m. by Commissioner Kasher, **SECOND** by Commissioner Warner. **All Ayes; Motion Carried.**

**Respectively Submitted:**

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**Lori Holmes, Village Clerk**