



VILLAGE OF Diamond

August 22, 2023

Proceedings, transactions, and resolutions made and order of said record of said Board in the Village of Diamond, IL on the 22nd day of August 2023.

The scheduled meeting of the Diamond Village Board was held on Tuesday, August 22, 2023, at 6:00 p.m. with Mayor Teresa “Terry” Kernc presiding. Upon roll call Commissioners present were Mark Adair, Jeff Kasher, and Dave Warner. Absent: Dean Johnson

Approval of 08-08-2023 Minutes

MOTION was made by Commissioner Kasher, **SECOND** by Commissioner Warner to approve the 08/08/2023 regular meeting minutes and place on file. **Ayes:** Kasher, Warner, Kernc. **Abstain:** Adair; **Motion Carried.**

Approval of August 22, 2023, Bill List

MOTION was made by Commissioner Warner, **SECOND** by Commissioner Kasher to approve the August 22, 2023, bill list and place it on file. **All Ayes: Motion Carried.**

Public Comment

None

New Business

Knights of Columbus Tootsie Roll Drive September 15,16,17 2023

Mayor Kernc stated this is an annual event which the Knights of Columbus will be holding September 15,16 and 17 this year. Funds raised are used to help people with intellectual disabilities. **MOTION** was made by Commissioner Kasher, **SECOND** by Commissioner Warner to Approve the Knights of Columbus Tootsie Roll Drive to be held September 15,16,17 2023. **All Ayes: Motion Carried.**

Approve Lowest Bid for Digital Marquee Sign

Mayor Kernc would like to table this until the September 12, 2023, meeting. **MOTION** was made by Commissioner Warner, **SECOND** by Commissioner Kasher to Table this item and revisit at the September 12, 2023, meeting. **All Ayes: Motion Carried.**

Discuss Placing a Speed Bump on Will Road at Girot Lane

Mayor Kernc stated she received several complaints of motorists going very fast and not obeying the stop sign at Will and Girot Lane. Commissioner Adair stated he has witnessed this happening. Kernc stated she spoke to one of the residents and discussed the installation of a speed bump. She explained the drawback of installing one and the potential accidents this could cause. Commissioner Kasher stated since that is a truck route would speed bumps might be allowed. After discussion of options to assist in this matter, the decision was made to install a “stop ahead” sign and look at other stop sign options with either solar light and/or lights around the sign. Public Works Supervisor Jim Dunning will research the stop sign options.

Discuss Putnam County Painting Estimate for Towers-Put out to Bid

Mayor Kernc stated this estimate is for the cleaning of the towers. Kernc would like to see the tower at Will Road cleaned since the Jewel development will be coming to Diamond. Commissioner Kasher stated he would like to wait until the Jewel Development is completed since the digging and moving of ground will be disrupted. This item was passed and will be revisited later.

Discuss Putnam County Painting Estimate for Clarifiers-Put out to Bid

Mayor Kernc presented the estimate from Putnam County Painting in the amount of \$78,500.00. This item will go out to bid. Village Attorney John Gallo will prepare the bid packet. A consensus was reached to proceed with placing this item out to bid.

Approve Flock Camera Installation at Route 113/Frontage Road for Eastbound Traffic

Mayor Kernc stated this item was given a consensus and now needs official approval. **MOTION** was made by Commissioner Warner, **SECOND** by Commissioner Adair to Approve the Installation of the Flock Camera at Route 113/Frontage Road for Eastbound Traffic. **All Ayes: Motion Carried.**

Approve Country Meadows Snow Removal Agreement for 2023-24

Mayor Kernc stated a slight increase is reflected in this agreement. Kernc stated it has been many years since the village increased the cost. The cost is \$215.00 per hour and \$150.00 per salting occurrence and if fuel cost increases to \$4.50 per gallon, the fee shall increase by 10%. **MOTION** was made by Commissioner Kasher, **SECOND** by Commissioner Adair to Approve the Country Meadows Snow Removal Agreement for 2023-24. **All Ayes: Motion Carried.**

Approve Proclamation, National Rail Safety Week

Mayor Kernc stated due to the rail traffic in Coal City, Kernc wanted to show support for this campaign. **MOTION** was made by Commissioner Adair, **SECOND** by Commissioner Kasher to Approve Proclamation, National Rail Safety Week. **All Ayes: Motion Carried.**

Approve 2023 IPWMAN Conference; Dunning and Grachan

Mayor Kernc stated Public Works Supervisor Jim Dunning and Public Works Employee Larry Grachan would like to attend the IPWMAN annual conference in Bloomington. **MOTION** was made by Commissioner Warner, **SECOND** by Commissioner Kasher to Approve Dunning and Grachan to attend the 2023 IPWMAN Conference on October 24 & 25, 2023. **All Ayes: Motion Carried.**

Approve Payment to Jewel upon Chamlin and Associates Approval of "As-Built" costs for Diamond's portion of Will Road, not to exceed \$450,000.00.

Mayor Kernc stated this was in the development agreement for the culverts and road work on Will Road. **MOTION** was made by Commissioner Kasher, **SECOND** by Commissioner Adair to Approve Payment to Jewel upon Chamlin and Associates Approval of "As-Built" costs for Diamond's portion of Will Road, not to exceed \$450,000.00. **All Ayes: Motion Carried.**

Community Foundation; Volunteer Launch

Mayor Kernc stated there is a portal which assists organizations to obtain volunteers. You can register your organization and/or register as a volunteer and register if individuals would like to volunteer also. The foundation is seeking places to host the informational meeting regarding this new volunteer launch portal. Kernc would like to offer the village hall as a location. **MOTION** was made by Commissioner Adair, **SECOND** by Commissioner Warner to allow the Community Foundation to host a meeting for the volunteer launch at the village hall. **All Ayes: Motion Carried.**

Approve Resolution #2023-06, Adopting the Countywide All-Hazards Mitigation Plan

Mayor Kernc presented the resolution and stated this is for Will County. **MOTION** was made by Commissioner Warner, **SECOND** by Commissioner Kasher to Approve Resolution #2023-06, Adopting the Countywide All-Hazards Mitigation Plan. **All Ayes: Motion Carried.**

Approve IDOT Permit and Resolution #2023-07 for Watermain Improvements for IL 113 from McGinty St. to N. Dewey St.

Village Engineer Mike Perry stated this is the standard requirements for IDOT to do the watermain work. **MOTION** was made by Commissioner Kasher, **SECOND** by Commissioner Adair to Approve IDOT Permit and Resolution #2023-07 for Watermain Improvements for IL 113 from McGinty St. to N. Dewey St. **All Ayes: Motion Carried.**

Old Business

Grundy and Will County Sheriff's Monthly Update

Mayor Kernc stated nothing to report.

Legal Counsel

No Report

Engineer Updates

No Report

Public Works Department Updates

Public Works Supervisor Jim Dunning stated the VFD's should be installed on September 15, 2023. Synagro will start hauling the bio-solids starting tomorrow. The Public Works Department has been cutting around the plant and fence line and pulling trees, etc. The new water meter for Yes Communities(Burt Estates) is scheduled to arrive this week.

Clerk Updates

Village Clerk Lori Holmes stated the water meters for the water meter replacement project arrived. A Public Notice has been placed in the Courant and letters will be mailed in the water bills notifying residents of the project. United Meters will be mailing letters out on August 31st to those homes and businesses requiring a replacement meter. Work will commence in September.

Commissioner Comments

Commissioner Adair

No Report

Commissioner Johnson

Absent

Commissioner Kasher

No Report

Commissioner Warner

Commissioner Warner distributed a proposal from Gasvoda & Associates for a new Wash Press and a proposal for re-building the current one. The rebuild cost \$69,843.00 and the cost for a new is \$84,065.00. Warner stated with the difference of \$14,222.00, he feels he would like to purchase new, which is his recommendation. Public Works Supervisor Jim Dunning stated he agrees, and the

warranty would be better. Mayor Kernc also agrees. This will be placed on the September 12, 2023, agenda.

Mayor Kernc

Mayor Kernc stated the EPA released 2 million dollars for lead service lines and would like to allow North Central Illinois Council of governments (NCICG) to complete the application and submit it for the village. NCICG is very successful at this process and has completed numerous applications in the past with a high success rate. She would like a consensus to move forward to allow NCICG to submit the application for the village for inventory lead services lines within the village. A consensus was given to have NCICG submit the application. Kernc stated Greg Ferrari purchased the old Midland States Bank. Kris Sayers of Beans and Bites would like to lease the building with option to buy. Kernc informed Kris and Lori Bonarek(who is on the board for Beans and Bites) they need a site plan, which needs to be completed by a professional architect. Then, a site plan meeting would take place with the village engineer, attorney, Mayor Kernc and the Zoning Administrator. They were informed that they cannot leave the gravel on the premises and specific information on the plan for the use. Kernc is trying to explain to those involved what the process and requirements would be. Kernc would like to arrange a meeting to discuss the development plan.

Adjournment to Closed Session: 2(c) (1) Employee(s)

MOTION was made by Commissioner Warner, **SECOND** by Commissioner Adair to enter closed session at 7:03 p.m. **All Ayes: Motion Carried.**

MOTION was made by Commissioner Warner, **SECOND** by Commissioner Kasher to enter open session with no action taken at 7:29 p.m. **All Ayes: Motion Carried.**

Adjournment

MOTION was made to adjourn at 7:30 p.m. by Commissioner Warner, **SECOND** by Commissioner Kasher. **All Ayes: Motion Carried.**

Respectively Submitted:

Lori Holmes, Village Clerk