



January 23, 2024

Proceedings, transactions, and resolutions made and order of said record of said Board in the Village of Diamond, IL on the 23rd day of January 2024.

The scheduled meeting of the Diamond Village Board was held on Tuesday, January 23, 2024, at 6:00 p.m. with Mayor Teresa “Terry” Kernc presiding. Upon roll call Commissioners present were Jeff Kasher and Dave Warner. Absent: Mark Adair and Dean Johnson.

Approval of 1-9-2024 Minutes

MOTION was made by Commissioner Warner, **SECOND** by Commissioner Kasher to approve the 1/09/2024 regular meeting minutes and place on file. **All Ayes: Motion Carried.**

Approval of January 23, 2024, Bill List

MOTION was made by Commissioner Kasher, **SECOND** by Commissioner Warner to approve the January 23, 2024, bill list and place it on file. **All Ayes: Motion Carried.**

Public Comment

None

New Business

Liquor License; Hero’s West Diamond

Mayor Kernc welcomed Tom Zumm and Bob Taft to the meeting. Hero’s West Diamond has requested a liquor license for the building they will erect in Diamond. The building site plan is still being completed. The Diamond location will be a flagship for Taft who hopefully will be building other Hero’s West restaurants in other locations. A consensus was given to move forward to amend the liquor license ordinance for Hero’s West Diamond to obtain a liquor license in Diamond. Village Attorney John Gallo will complete the necessary ordinance which will be placed on the February 13, 2024, meeting agenda.

2480 E Clark St-Leak in Crawl

Village Clerk Lori Holmes stated this resident had a leak in crawl which did not enter the sewer system and was groundwater. Holmes requested a sewer credit based on the average usage. Commissioner Kasher stated the credit would be \$33.45 based on the average usage. **MOTION** was made by Commissioner Kasher, **SECOND** by Commissioner Warner to approve a credit of \$33.45 for 2480 E. Clark St. **All Ayes: Motion Carried.**

Discussion of Copier Upgrade

Mayor Kernc stated recently, the current copier has had numerous service calls for repairs. Holmes stated in the past year, there have been at least 7 service calls and was informed additional repairs would be needed soon. Kernc asked Holmes to obtain a quote for a new copier. Holmes received information from McGrath Office Equipment, and she explained the cost of the current lease and for comparison purposes, the cost if the village were to lease the same copier. Holmes also presented the recommended copier upgrade. This copier copies 45 pages per minute vs. 30 pages per minute. There is a cost savings as well with the upgraded copier for the color/black and white copies. The current

lease would have a buy-out at no cost to the village. Once the new copier is installed, a new 60-month lease at \$263.00 per month would be in effect. Commissioner Kasher asked Holmes if she contacted any other suppliers for comparison purposes and she stated she did and she had a concern utilizing that company over the current vendor. **MOTION** was made by Commissioner Kasher, **SECOND** by Commissioner Warner to approve the copier upgrade to the Savin C4510 at \$263 per month on a 60-month lease. **All Ayes: Motion Carried.**

Approve Resolution #2024-01, Sidewalk Replacement on IL 113 from N 5th Ave. to Curtis St.

Mayor Kernc stated this resolution must be sent to IDOT along with additional documents since the project will be going out to bid. Commissioner Kasher inquired what the match would be for the village's contribution cost. Kernc stated it is 10% of the total cost, which the cost to the village is approximately \$55,625.00. This is replacing all the existing sidewalks from N. 5th Avenue to Curtis St. with 6' sidewalks. **MOTION** was made by Commissioner Warner, **SECOND** by Commissioner Kasher to Approve Resolution #2024-01, Sidewalk Replacement on IL 113 from N. 5th Ave. to Curtis St. **All Ayes: Motion Carried.**

Approval of Ordinance #2024-01, Amendments to the Village of Diamond Employee Handbook

Mayor Kernc stated Village Attorney John Gallo prepared the amendment and Kernc is very happy with Gallo's updates. Commissioner Kasher stated this amendment is about the comp time and the scheduled works hours and Gallo stated that was correct. **MOTION** was made by Commissioner Warner, **SECOND** by Commissioner Kasher to Approve Ordinance #2024-01, Amendments to the Village of Diamond Employee Handbook. **All Ayes: Motion Carried.**

Old Business

Grundy and Will County Sheriff's Monthly Update

Mayor Kernc stated there was nothing out of the ordinary to report. Kernc presented the letter of agreement which was in the board packet that reflects the cost of services for the Grundy County Sheriff's Department. The check was also reflected in the Treasurer's checks written report.

Legal Counsel

No Report

Engineer Updates

Village Engineer Mike Perry stated an extension request was submitted for the lead service line inventory grant which original end date was April 15, 2024, and is now September 1, 2024. Kernc added the lead service line grant which North Central applied for was granted to the village.

Public Works Department Updates

Public Works Supervisor Jim Dunning stated an order is needed for an additional 60- inch meters and to return 50- 5/8" meters for the water meter replacement program. Village Engineer Mike Perry informed Dunning to return the 5/8" meters and receive a credit on them, then order the needed 1" meters. Dunning continued his report that the phase protector is ordered and is scheduled for delivery on Friday, Jan. 26. Dunning will schedule all companies who are involved with the installation to be at the installation date to ensure the proper working conditions of the VFD, etc. Clerk Holmes added, the village received a check from insurance for the well 4 pump issue in the amount of \$54,989.50. Dunning added, the rebuilt sludge pump has not been delivered yet, due to parts supplies, which has been out for repairs since October. Dunning stated they are looking at other options for pumps. Dunning stated the air quality testing is complete and the official report will be sent in a week however,

the report stated everything looks good. There are no measurements that indicate poor air quality at the WWTP.

Clerk Updates

Village Clerk Lori Holmes presented the revised absence request form. Mayor Kernc would like an additional option for compensatory time off as well as all time off to be reflected in hours, not days off.

Commissioner Comments

Commissioner Adair

Absent

Commissioner Johnson

Absent

Commissioner Kasher

Commissioner Kasher inquired about the damage at the Laura Lane site from Surf Internet. Dunning stated he met with the representative from Surf today and Surf will be contacting the installer of the project, since the damage occurred when the high speed internet to the home was installed.

Commissioner Warner

No Report

Mayor Kernc

No Report

Adjournment

MOTION was made to adjourn at 7:04 p.m. by Commissioner Warner, **SECOND** by Commissioner Kasher. **All Ayes: Motion Carried.**

Respectively Submitted:

Lori Holmes, Village Clerk