

Village of Easton

Regular Meeting –January 7, 2019

The regular meeting of the Easton Board of Trustees was held January 7, 2019. The meeting was held in the Village Hall and called to order at 7:00 p.m. Those in attendance were President Joanna Mustered and Trustees: Charlene Fangmeier, Eric Ratliff, Kent Gray, Dixie Riegel and Brock Riggins. Others in attendance were Josh Walters, Chief Buddy Willis, Judy Miller and Kate Nunn.

Absent: Larry Kolves

Public: None

2. Charlene motioned to approve the minutes for the regular meeting held December 3rd and the special meeting held December 13th. Eric seconded the motion and the motion was carried with all ayes.

3. All bills were given to the Trustees for review and approval. Kent made the motion to approve all bills as presented. Motion seconded by Eric. Voice vote taken and approved 5-0.

4. **Water/Sewer Department:** Josh stated that the new is pumping 200 gallons per minute and has received the IEPA permit to begin running it. The second well pump is needing to be replaced. A verbal bid from Grosch to switch out is \$5,000. Brock made the motion to approve payment to change pumps with Kent seconding the motion. Voice vote taken and approved 5-0. Josh noted that someone other than himself has been burning leaves at the lagoon dump area and are dumping not on the pile but down the drive. Trustees suggested putting up a sign.

Street Department: Josh reviewed preliminary seal coat bids for 2019 from Mike Pedigo. An initial bid of \$12,371.45 was presented with a minimal number of streets being sealed. A second bid was requested to cover additional needed streets which brought an approximate bid of \$24,49.85. Trustees agreed to use the secondary bid for 2019 budgetary purposes. New bids for the backwash tank project will open next Wednesday.

5. **Animal/Insect Report:** Nothing to report.

6. **Police Department:** As noted in the monthly report. Chief Willis noted that the owner of the towed car, Chris Moore, contacted the towing company, K. Stiltz, Jr., and directed them to scrap the vehicle as the title is lost. Chief Willis requested permission to order equipment needed for the department. Charlene motioned to approve the purchase of evidence bags (\$29), evidence tape (\$14), drug kit (\$128), car lock release (\$69) and a pistol (9mm Glock model 17) for Officer Williams as the department only has one service hand gun. Dixie seconded the motion. Motion carried with all ayes.

7. **Treasurer's Report:** Judy presented the reports. The General Fund received large checks for state and income taxes with normal expenses. The Water Fund had higher expenses due to engineering fees and reimbursement to Josh for mileage. The MFTF expenses and income were normal. Eric motioned to approve the Treasurer's reports as presented. Motion seconded by Kent and carried with all ayes.

8. Old Business:

A. None.

9. New Business:

- A. Discussion on the new Ameren contracts will be tabled until more information can be provided on Homefield vs. Ameren supplied electricity.
- B. Per the discussion held under Item #4 Street Department, Dixie motioned to approve the 2019 MFTF budget of \$31,700.36. Eric seconded the motion. Motion carried with all ayes.
- C. Eric motioned to approve IMRF pension funding for Josh effective with January's pay. Motion seconded by Brock and carried with all ayes.

10. Comments/Suggestions: None

11. Executive Session: None held.

12. Kent motioned at 8:20 p.m. to continue the meeting. Motion seconded by Eric. Motion carried with all ayes.

The next regular monthly meeting is scheduled for January 7, 2019.

Cathy J. Nunn–Village Clerk