

Village of Easton Regular Meeting –February 4, 2019

The regular meeting of the Easton Board of Trustees was held February 4, 2019. The meeting was held in the Village Hall and called to order at 7:02 p.m. Those in attendance were Trustees: Charlene Fangmeier, Eric Ratliff, Kent Gray, Dixie Riegel and Brock Riggins. Others in attendance were Josh Walters, Judy Miller and Kate Nunn.

Absent: Joanna Mustered, Larry Kolves and Chief Buddy Willis

Public/Guest: Scott DeSplinter with CMT

2. Kent motioned to approve the minutes for the regular meeting held January 7th and the continued meeting held January 28th. Eric seconded the motion and the motion was carried with all ayes.

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

4. **Water/Sewer Department:** Josh reported that someone has dumped kitchen cabinets at the lagoon burn pile. Trustees were in agreement with his recommendation to lock off the entrance to the burn pile until spring to prevent any further illegal dumping. There was a water main break on January 31st at the corner of 4th and Promenade Streets. Petersburg Plumbing was able to come over and make the necessary repairs. Water service did have to be shut off to residents in that area and a boil order was issued until Saturday afternoon.

Street Department: The new V-box has been installed on the Village truck.

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

6. **Police Department:** As noted in the monthly report.

7. **Treasurer's Report:** Judy presented the reports. The General Fund received \$2,600 in income taxes with normal expenses. The Water/Sewer Fund and MFTF expenses and income were normal. Kent motioned to approve the Treasurer's reports as presented. Motion seconded by Brock and carried with all ayes.

8. **Old Business:**

A. None.

9. **New Business:**

A. Scott DeSplinter reviewed the re-bids on the revised design of the backwash tank install. Their estimated cost of the new design was \$88,900. Low bid came in at \$70,100 from G.A. Rich with the high bid of \$102,000 from Hoerr Construction. Scott recommended accepting the bid from G.A. Rich as they are a reputable company and are the low bidder. If bid is accepted CMT with give notice of the award and notice to proceed. This process may take at least one month and the Village can look at making payments in 2-3 months. Brock made

the motion to accept G.A. Rich's bid and for CMT to proceed as detailed. Eric seconded the motion. Motion carried with all ayes.

- B. Josh and Scott detailed the switch to liquid chlorination has been permitted. Hawkins can install and supply materials at a cost of \$4,102.52. They are only charging for materials. Dixie motioned to approve the switch to liquid chlorination and have Hawkins do the install. Motion seconded by Charlene. Motion carried with all ayes.
- C. After much discussion, Eric made the motion to include a flat monthly \$5.00 surcharge on water bills to assist in covering expenses for the backwash tank project. A notice is to be issued on the April and May water bills of the charge with it being effective on the June billings. Charlene seconded the motion. Motion carried with all ayes.
- D. A notice will be issued on the March water bills of a public hearing to be held on March 18th to discuss the proposed ordinance to establish a sales tax for the Village.

10. Comments/Suggestions: None

11. Executive Session: None held.

12. Kent motioned at 8:24 p.m. to adjourn the meeting. Motion seconded by Eric. Motion carried with all ayes.

The next regular monthly meeting is scheduled for March 4, 2019.

Cathy J. Nunn–Village Clerk