

Village of Easton

Regular Meeting – February 5, 2018

The regular meeting of the Easton Board of Trustees was held February 5, 2018. The meeting was held in the Village Hall and called to order at 7:00 p.m. Those in attendance were President Joanna Mustered, Trustees: Charlene Fangmeier, Eric Ratliff, Dixie Riegel, Brock Riggins and Larry Kolves. Others in attendance were Chief Buddy Willis, Josh Walters, Judy Miller and Kate Nunn.

Absent: Kent Gray

Public: None

2. Minutes of the regular meeting held January 8th were read. Charlene made the motion to approve the minutes as read. Dixie seconded the motion. The motion carried with all ayes.

3. All bills were given to the Trustees for review and approval. Brock motioned to approve all bills as presented. Motion seconded by Larry. Voice vote taken and approved 5-0.

4. **Street Department:** Josh reported the need to remove a tree at 204 North 1st Street (Kenny Stiltz, Sr). He has a bid of \$350 from Randy's Tree Service for removal of the tree but will wait for 1 year to grind the stump.

Water/Sewer Department: We have received notification that the county's Illinois Rural Water Valley is waiving the payment of \$2,000 for a permit to drill the new well. Josh is to contact Karl Flairty to look into repairing the portable pump.

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

6. **Police Department:** As noted in the monthly report. Chief Willis has address the issue of the truck operated by Eric Richardson running all the time in a residential area. Has received the 2 new badges that were ordered as well as attending a week long homicide course held in Springfield. He found it to be very informative and a lot of the information also pertained to other types of investigative cases. He will also be attending CIT training (for special needs people) in March and a Rapid Deployment (active shooter) training in February.

7. **Treasurer's Report:** Judy presented the reports. The General Fund received funds from the deposit of the final donation check for a lamp post plus checks from sales and income taxes. Expenses were up due to payment to BJ Armbrust for the reimbursement of the lamp posts. The Water/Sewer fund had normal income and expenses and there was not any activity in the Motor Fuel Fund. Charlene motioned to approve the Treasurer's reports as presented. Motion seconded by Eric and carried with all ayes.

8. **Old Business:**

- A. Attorney Blake Lindner is to rewrite the Parking Ordinance #462 to include issues the Village has been with with semi trucks and changing the weight restrictions to 18,000 pounds.
- B. The Mason City Police Department is no longer seeking assistance for coverage of the school grounds as they now have the staff to cover.

9. New Business:

- A. Dixie motioned to accept the 2018 Federal mileage reimbursement rate of \$.53 per mile with Brock seconding the motion. Motion carried with all ayes.
- B. Kristen Miller presented to the Board a request for a monetary donation to help offset the expenses for the Post Prom party. Trustees noted that they would like more time to consider this request and will make a decision at the scheduled March meeting.
- C. Dixie motioned to approve a final payment to Bob Harris for his December salary which should have been paid in January as his salary has been paid in arrears. Eric seconded the motion. Motion carried with all ayes.

10. **Comments/Suggestions:** Mark Tucker, proprietor of TT's ADC, presented to the Board a request to close the alley next to the tavern to use for a stage for bands that are to play at the 30th Anniversary celebration for TT's sometime in May and a Cancer Crawl benefit on June 28th. Food is being served at both events and the bands are to stop playing at 11:00 pm. Josh Walters noted of a vacant vehicle with no license. The vehicle has since renewed their license. Kate mentioned that BJ Armbrust has 5 more individuals interested in sponsoring a lamp post with 2 more possible parties expressing interest. He will try to get a bid on cost of the infrastructure and concrete for the installation of these additional posts.

11. Executive Session: None

12. Eric motioned at 8:43 p.m. to adjourn the meeting. Motion seconded by Brock. Motion carried with all ayes.

The next regular monthly meeting is scheduled for March 5, 2018.

Cathy J. Nunn–Village Clerk