

## Regular Meeting –March 6, 2017

The regular meeting of the Easton Board of Trustees was held February 6, 2017. The meeting was held in the Village Hall and called to order at 7:00 p.m. Those in attendance were President Mindy Lowers, Trustees: Charlene Fangmeier, Veronica Armbrust, Lisa Lynn, Dixie Riegel, Kent Gray and Joanna Mustered. Others in attendance were Bob Harris, Judy Miller and Kate Nunn.

Absent: Chief Buddy Willis

Public: None

2. Minutes of the regular meeting held March 6<sup>th</sup> were read. Lisa made the motion to approve the minutes as read. Joanna seconded the motion. The motion carried with all ayes.

3. All bills were given to the Trustees for review and approval. Veronica motioned to approve all bills as presented. Motion seconded by Dixie. Voice vote taken and approved 6-0.

4. **Street Department:** All is good, nothing new to report.

**Water/Sewer Department:** Bob reported that Mike Burris indicated that we may be able to install the new well this month. A sewer line may have to be moved in order to put in the new well. Bob has not received any information from Mike Burris on the cost of a new lift station. Three residents had their service shut off this past billing cycle.

5. **Animal/Insect Report:** None.

6. **Police Department:** As noted in the monthly report. Chief Willis had noted that he has talked with the various ordinance violators as requested at the last monthly meeting. Also, in his report he requested to update the radio equipment as the County Sheriff's Office will be going to digital equipment and once that is done he would not be able to communicate with them with the current equipment that is being used. Lisa motioned to approve an expense up to \$1,600 to upgrade and purchase new digital radio equipment for a single user. Charlene seconded the motion. Motion carried by all ayes.

7. **Treasurer's Report:** Judy presented the reports and noted that she was not able to pull the Petty Cash account reports again due to an ongoing issue with the QuickBooks program. The General Fund received nice income and sales tax checks. The Water Fund and the Motor Fuel Tax Fund had normal income and expenses. Kent motioned to approve the Treasurer's reports as presented. Motion seconded by Veronica and carried with all ayes.

8. **Old Business:**

- A. Charlene motioned to approve the revisions to Parking Restrictions Ordinance No. 450. Joanna seconded the motion. Motion carried with all ayes.
- B. Trustees further discussed the salary of the Mosquito Spraying Operator with Kent making the motion to have a flat rate of \$55 per spray/application rather than using an hourly pay plus mileage reimbursement. Motion seconded by Lisa and carried with all ayes.

**9. New Business:**

- A. A bid was received from Todd Arnold in Mason City. The bid was to replace 2 catalytic converters and an ABS module and programming for a total of \$1,909.67. Veronica motioned to approve the bid presented by Todd Arnold. Motion seconded by Charlene and carried with all ayes.
- B. Lisa motioned to approve the date of May 18, 2017 for the auditors with Zumbahlen, Eyth, Surratt, Foote & Flynn, Ltd to perform the annual Village audit. Motion seconded by Dixie. Carried with all ayes.

**10. Comments/Suggestions:** Lisa informed Trustees that resident Curt Johnson had approached her about his options to allow him to sell the back half of his property to another party. Lisa found no Village Zoning ordinance that would prohibit such a sale and also informed Mr. Johnson that the property is zoned as residential and cannot be used for commercial purposes other than storage.

**11. Executive Session:** None.

**12.** Lisa motioned at 7:53 p.m. to adjourn the meeting. Motion seconded by Kent. Motion carried with all ayes.

The next regular monthly meeting is scheduled for April 3, 2017.

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Cathy J. Nunn—Village Clerk