

## **Village of Easton Regular Meeting- Rescheduled for October 10, 2018**

The regular meeting of the Easton Board of Trustees was held July 2, 2018. The meeting was held in the Village Hall and called to order at 7:00 p.m. Those in attendance were Trustees: President Joanna Mustered, Trustees Charlene Fangmeier, Eric Ratliff, Dixie Riegel and Brock Riggins. Others in attendance were Josh Walters, Chief Buddy Willis, Judy Miller and Kate Nunn.

Absent: Larry Kolves and Kent Gray

Public: None

2. Brock motioned to approve the minutes for the regular meeting held September 10<sup>th</sup> and the continued meeting held on September 17<sup>th</sup>. Dixie seconded the motion and the motion was carried with all ayes.

3. All bills were given to the Trustees for review and approval. Eric made the motion to approve all bills as presented with the exception of the billing from IRC which Josh is to talk to Mike Pedigo on the net difference of the bid versus the billing amount. Motion seconded by Dixie. Voice vote taken and approved 4-0.

4. **Water/Sewer Department:** Josh informed Trustees that Ameren had replaced a pole at the corner of 3<sup>rd</sup> and Promenade and while digging hit a storm drain which wasn't marked as there is not any map to know where the storm drains are located. Josh had to call Hernan's to repair the drain.

Sandy Pottorf had contacted Josh about moving one of her two water meters. She has 2 meters, one comes off of the water main and the other runs from her 1<sup>st</sup> meter which is used to water her lawn. The second meter is not charged any sewer cost. She has concerns that the 2<sup>nd</sup> meter is not being accurately calculated and had an independent person look at it and was told that to get the most accurate reading she would need to move the 2<sup>nd</sup> meter so that it is connected to the main. Josh has estimated that the approximate cost to move the 2<sup>nd</sup> meter is \$3-4,000. The Board is ok with the meter being moved however the Village will not incur the expense of said move so she will have to cover the cost of the move.

Scott Desplinter with CMT will be posting notice of the bids for the backwash tanks on October 15<sup>th</sup>. There will be a bid meeting on October 30<sup>th</sup> for bidders to review the site and ask questions.

Josh reported that he is still waiting on approval from the IEPA to begin using the new well.

**Street Department:** As noted in the bills section, Josh will talk to Mike Pedigo on IRC's billing for the seal coating of designated streets.

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

6. **Police Department:** As noted in the monthly report. Chief Willis would like for he and Officer Williams to take a CPR course that is being offered at the Lincoln Hospital plus a hazmat course that is available online. He noted that he will have the car at 303 South 3<sup>rd</sup> Street towed as it is blocking the sidewalk plus will give them a citation to clean up and mow their yard. Had trouble with the

police car starting so was able to get it to Todd Arnold's in Mason City who replaced the battery at no cost as it was under warranty. Joanna will be contacting Attorney Steve Morgan regarding the Danny Richardson property and Chief Willis will check out the Melton property to see if it has been cleaned up.

**7. Treasurer's Report:** Judy presented the reports. The General Fund received property tax monies of \$14,096.98. The Water/Sewer Fund expenses were higher than normal due to expenses for the new well and engineering fees. The Motor Fuel Tax Fund had normal income and expenses. Charlene motioned to approve the Treasurer's reports as presented. Motion seconded by Eric and carried with all ayes.

**8. Old Business:**

- A. Eric reported that Brian Shawgo has changed his mind and will not be doing the sidewalk repair as noted last month. Eric will contact Tim Clark and Janssens to have them put on their calendar to bid on the work next year as Trustees have agreed due to the lateness of the season to place the project on hold until spring of 2019.
- B. Joanna presented information on Watts's proposal of a new printer/copier. The lease payment for a new printer/copier would be \$53 per month and includes maintenance and supplies. Eric made the motion to approve the lease with Watts as presented. Brock seconded the motion. Motion carried with all ayes.
- C. Charlene motioned to move forward with Blake Lindner preparing a resolution to add the proposal of a .25% sales tax for the Village on the ballot for April's consolidated election.

**9. New Business:**

- A. Dixie motioned to approve this year's Halloween hours for October 31<sup>st</sup> at 6:00 – 8:00 pm. Brock seconded the motion. Motion carried with all ayes. Joanna will type of flyers to be placed on the bulletin boards at the Town Hall, Easton Bank and public board by the Post Office.

**10. Comments/Suggestions:** None.

**11. Executive Session:** None.

**12.** Eric motioned at 8:10 p.m. to continue the meeting. Motion seconded by Brock. Motion carried with all ayes.

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

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Cathy J. Nunn–Village Clerk