

Regular Meeting – November 6, 2017

The regular meeting of the Easton Board of Trustees was held November 6, 2017. The meeting was held in the Village Hall and called to order at 7:02 p.m. Those in attendance were President Joanna Mustered, Trustees: Charlene Fangmeier, Josh Walters, Kent Gray, Dixie Riegel and Larry Kolves. Others in attendance were Bob Harris, Chief Buddy Willis, Judy Miller and Kate Nunn.

Public: Eric Ratliff, Brock Riggins, Jean Huber, Nelda Freeman and Zain Atterberry

2. Josh presented his resignation as Trustee as he is assuming the duties of Water/Sewer and Street Superintendent.

3. The swearing in was held for new Trustees Eric Ratliff and Brock Riggins.

4. Minutes of the regular meeting held November 6th were read. Charlene made the motion to approve the minutes as read. Dixie seconded the motion. The motion carried with all ayes.

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

6. **Street Department:** Bob reported that Mike Pedigo is needing annual maintenance and seal coating budget information for 2018. Trustees agreed with allocating \$30,000 towards any necessary seal coating. Bob will compile a list of streets that will need seal coating and work on the maintenance budget.

Water/Sewer Department: Bob is working on the new well which had to be relocated from the south side of the plant to the east side. He is working with Josh Walters on training for daily testing and other duties.

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

8. **Police Department:** As noted in the monthly report. Chief Willis has talked to Kenny Stiltz Jr. about the numerous vehicles (including the car carrier truck) on his property. He will address the list provided him of residents that have non-licensed vehicles.

9. **Treasurer's Report:** Judy presented the reports. Have received additional real estate tax money and should be getting one more small check. Also received a nice check for income taxes. Both Water/Sewer and Motor Fuel Funds had normal income and expenditures. Charlene motioned to approve the Treasurer's reports as presented. Motion seconded by Kent and carried with all ayes.

10. Old Business:

- A. Dixie made the motion that the starting date for Josh Walters as the new Water/Sewer and Street Superintendent will be effective and retroactive to November 1, 2017 with Bob Harris using accumulative vacation time to stay on as a backup for Josh through December 31, 2017. She also motioned that the starting salary for Josh as the Water/Sewer Superintendent will be \$16,000.00 annually and \$14.00 per hour as Street Superintendent with a review of

the position and salary to be done after the 6 month probation period. Larry seconded the motion. Motion carried with all ayes.

B. To be discussed in Executive Session.

11. New Business:

A. Charlene motioned to approve payment of the annual Illinois Municipal League insurance premium with the 1% early bird discount and annual dues of \$150.00. Voice vote taken 6-0.

12. Comments/Suggestions: None.

13. Executive Session: At 8:00 p.m. Kent motioned to go into Executive session to discuss the Water/Sewer and Street Clerk position. Motion seconded by Eric.

At 8:17 p.m. resumed regular session.

Old Business: 10 – B. Charlene motioned to offer the Water/Sewer Clerk position to Jill Riegel starting November 10, 2017 with a salary of \$150.00 per month. Motion seconded by Eric. Motion carried with all ayes.

14. Kent motioned at 8:19 p.m. to adjourn the meeting. Motion seconded by Eric. Motion carried with all ayes.

The next regular monthly meeting is scheduled for December 4, 2017.

Cathy J. Nunn–Village Clerk