

Village of Easton Regular Meeting – January 8, 2018

The regular meeting of the Easton Board of Trustees was held January 8, 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, Kent Gray, Dixie Riegel, Brock Riggins and Larry Kolves. Others in attendance were Josh Walters, Judy Miller and Kate Nunn.

Absent: Chief Buddy Willis
Public: None

2. Minutes of the regular meeting held December 4th and continued meeting on December 14th were read. Brock 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. Kent motioned to approve all bills as presented. Motion seconded by Eric. Voice vote taken and approved 6-0.

4. **Street Department:** Josh reported that the MFTF budget for 2018 has been approved by the State. He informed Trustees that a rotting tree near Kenny Stiltz Sr's property will need to be taken down. He will get a bid from Randy's Tree Service to remove it. He also noted that the Village truck will need a new spreader after this winter season.

Water/Sewer Department: The county's Illinois Rural Water Valley is requiring a payment of \$2,000 for a permit to drill the new well. Josh, Joanna and Kate will be attending their next meeting to dispute the fee. There was 1 frozen meter this past month.

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 was up due to depositing donation checks for the 3 lamp posts plus checks from sales and income taxes. The Water/Sewer fund was lower due to payment of CMT's consulting fees and the Motor Fuel Fund was lower due to payment to Bob Harris for reimbursement of his Street salary. Charlene motioned to approve the Treasurer's reports as presented. Motion seconded by Dixie and carried with all ayes.

8. **Old Business:**

A. Discussion on the revision of Ordinance #462 is tabled until the next meeting.

9. **New Business:**

A. Discussion on police coverage assistance at Illini Central is tabled until the next meeting.

B. Eric motioned to approve the new state required Sexual Harassment Policy/Ordinance. Brock seconded the motion. Voice vote taken as follows: Charlene-yes, Eric-yes, Kent-yes, Dixie-yes, Brock-yes and Larry-yes.

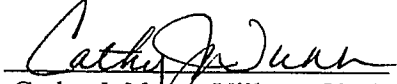
C. The only employee eligible for an increase is the Police Chief's position. Judy declined an increase and all others were new employees. Trustees agreed to increase the Chief's salary from \$20.40 to \$21.00. Charlene motioned to approve the increase to \$21.00 with Larry seconding the motion. Motion carried with all ayes.

10. Comments/Suggestions: None.

11. Executive Session: None

12. Kent motioned at 8:09 p.m. to adjourn the meeting. Motion seconded by Eric. Motion carried with all ayes.

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


Cathy J. Nunn—Village Clerk