

REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING
VILLAGE OF FRANKLIN GROVE
LEE COUNTY, ILLINOIS

FEBRUARY 8, 2016 MINUTES APPROVED MARCH 14, 2016

On February 8, 2016 the Regular meeting of the Village of Franklin Grove, held at the Village Hall, 105 E. South Street, Franklin Grove, Lee County, Illinois, was called to order with the Pledge of Allegiance by President David Atkinson at 7:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Present: Trustees Shaun Thompson, Tony Schaneberg, Nick Sprague, Scott Spangler, William Schaneberg, President David Atkinson and Clerk Lori Smith.

Absent: Trustee Crofton and Attorney Considine

MINUTES

Motion made by S. Spangler, seconded by N. Sprague to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of January 11, 2016. Passed: 5/0

RECOGNITION OF VISITORS

See attached.

Bob Moore addressed the board with concerns about communication with residents. He wondered if there was a way the board could communicate better with the community. President Atkinson advised that the Village does what it can by posting things around town, in the Ashton Gazette and at the Village Hall and are currently working on getting the website up and running.

VILLAGE CLERK'S REPORT

See attached.

BILLS & LATE BILLS

Motion made by T. Schaneberg, seconded by S. Thompson to pay bills, late bill to the Illinois Fire Store for \$42.83 and make necessary transfers. Passed: 5/0

POLICE REPORT

See attached.

Trustee Spangler advised that the property on the corner of State and Lahman Streets needs to be addressed, because they have old cars and junk setting around.

LEGAL ISSUES
(Attorney Considine)

None

GENERAL

President Atkinson presented the board with Committee Assignment changes.

Motion made by S. Spangler, seconded by S. Thompson to approve the Committee Assignment changes. Passed: 4/1 (Note: T. Schaneberg voted nay)

COMMITTEE REPORTS

STREETS & ALLEYS
(T. Schaneberg Chairman)

Trustee Schaneberg advised that he is still waiting to meet with the engineer in order to talk about passing a Resolution in regards to the Motor Fuel Tax amount we went over.

Motion made by W. Schaneberg, seconded by T. Schaneberg to approve Final Payment on Project 15-00000-00-GM in the amount of \$2,974.39. Passed: 5/0

WATER & SEWER
(W. Schaneberg Chairman)

See attached

Trustee Schaneberg advised that the Trickling Filter should be here in May or June. He also advised that Ron Miller replaced grating and 3 air valves on the sand filter.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
(S. Thompson Chairman)

None

Trustee Spangler advised that the owners of the Grain Elevator need to be contacted and advised that the property needs to be secured or torn down.

PROPERTIES
(M. Crofton Chairman)

Trustee Sprague opened the bids for seven tree removals and one trimmed. The bids were as follows:

Cole's Complete Tree Service	\$6,500.00
Grovers Services LLC	\$3,375.00
Shane's Tree Care	\$4,500.00
Wes' Tree Service	\$2,375.00

Motion made by W. Schaneberg, seconded by T. Schaneberg to accept low bidder Wes' Tree Service for \$2,375.00. Passed: 5/0

Trustee Spangler said he would like to see two trees planted for every tree we take down and one of those should be a Hard Maple.

President Atkinson opened the bids for a new roof at the Women's Shelter at Atlasta Park. The bids were as follows:

Crestview Construction	\$ 5,600.00 (Steel)
Custom Construction Systems	\$10,750.00 (Steel)
Custom Construction Systems	\$20,170.00 (Standing Seam)
Rural Renovators	\$ 9,000.00 (Steel)
Z-Best Enterprises, Inc.	\$ 5,812.00 (Steel)

Motion was made by S. Spangler, seconded by W. Schaneberg to accept low bidder Crestview Construction for \$5,600.00. Passed: 5/0

FINANCE AND INSURANCE COMMITTEE (S. Thompson Chairman)

Trustee Thompson advised that we received \$9,058.00 from the Insurance Company on the well pump claim and that insurance has been dropped on the Truck that was recently sold.

Trustee Thompson also advised that he received a call from the Elementary School that their water bill had doubled. Ron Miller, Water & Sewer Operator, advised that the bill didn't double, but he did double check the reading and it was correct. It was discussed that the increase is probably due to the fact that there are more students since the Middle School closure.

TOURISM (S. Spangler Chairman)

Trustee Spangler advised that May 14th is the Car Show; the Harvest Festival Parade time will be changed to 5:00 p.m. and the Easter Egg Hunt will be held Saturday, March 26th at 1:00 p.m. at Atlasta Park.

Motion made by T. Schaneberg, seconded by W. Schaneberg to approve a new microwave for Atlasta Park Women's Shelter for up to \$200.00. Passed: 5/0

HISTORIC PRESERVATION/EARLY WARNING (S. Spangler Chairman)

None

OTHER

John Simonton, Lee County Sheriff, did a presentation regarding the Lee County Detention Facility Public Facilities Referendum. Mr. Simonton and guest discussed the deterioration of the facility and the need for the referendum.

Matt Klahn addressed the board to advise he is running for States Attorney and gave a brief history of his experience.

ADJOURNMENT

As no further business was brought before the board, a motion to adjourn was made by T. Schaneberg and carried by unanimous vote at 8:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lori J. Smith
Village Clerk