

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

DECEMBER 12, 2016 MINUTES APPROVED JANUARY 9, 2017

On December 12, 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 by President David Atkinson at 7:00 p.m.

**ROLL CALL**

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

**Absent:** Attorney Dana Considine

**MINUTES**

**Motion** made by N. Sprague, seconded by W. Schaneberg to approve the Minutes of the Regular and Executive Session Meeting of November 14, 2016. Passed: 6/0

**RECOGNITION OF VISITORS**

See attached.

Mark Imfield, representing the Blackhawk Trail Riders, addressed the board to see if they would consider tying the Village of Franklin Grove into an existing UTV Program. This program would allow UTV's access to the downtown on designated trails. After some discussion, no action was taken at this time.

**VILLAGE CLERK'S REPORT**

**Motion** made by T. Schaneberg, seconded by M. Crofton to approve a \$75.00 gift certificate at the Lincolnway Café for both Ron Miller and B.J. Harney. Passed: 6/0

**Motion** made by N. Sprague, seconded by T. Schaneberg to provide a meat tray to the First National Bank of Amboy, the Attorney's Office and a floral arrangement for the Ashton Computer Center. Passed: 6/0

**BILLS & LATE BILLS**

**Motion** made by W. Schaneberg, seconded by N. Sprague to pay bills, late bills and make necessary transfers. Passed: 6/0

## **POLICE REPORT**

See attached.

Trustee Thompson advised that there are two cars with expired licenses; one has been sitting in the same place for about a year and the other has flat tires, that need to be looked into.

## **LEGAL ISSUES (Attorney Considine)**

**Motion** made by S. Spangler, seconded by W. Schaneberg to approve Ordinance 752 -16 regarding Travel, Meal and Lodging Expenses. Passed: 6/0

## **GENERAL ISSUES**

**Motion** made by M. Crofton, seconded by S. Spangler to approve a \$100 donation to the FFA. Passed: 6/0

President Atkinson advised that he was contacted by Trina Dillon, principal of the Elementary School, asking permission to stagger the buses during drop-off and pick-up. President Atkinson spoke with Pat Hilliker, Fire Chief, who advised that it wasn't an issue for emergency vehicles. After much discussion President Atkinson advised that he would tell them to do a trial, but to make sure signage is put up and the buses aren't arriving early.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

### **STREETS & ALLEYS (T. Schaneberg Chairman)**

None

### **WATER & SEWER (W. Schaneberg Chairman)**

Trustee Schaneberg advised that they currently have no back up pumps. The price for a 6" pump was \$8,975 and a 4" pump for \$6,500.

Ron Miller, Water and Sewer Superintendent, wanted to make it clear that he did not request the Streets & Alleys position, that it was offered and there has been no discussion since then about what would be offered.

Clerk Smith brought up concerns about putting an ad in the paper for both a Streets & Alleys employee and a Water & Sewer employee when only one position for Street & Alleys is currently available. President Atkinson advised that an ad be put in for both positions to see what kind of response we get.

## **COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT**

(N. Sprague Chairman)

Trustee Sprague advised that Shane's Tree Service is done with the tree work and can be paid.

## **PROPERTIES**

(M. Crofton Chairman)

None

## **FINANCE AND INSURANCE COMMITTEE**

(S. Thompson Chairman)

None

## **TOURISM**

(S. Spangler Chairman)

Trustee Spangler advised that the Christmas Walk was a success and wanted to thank Ron Miller for putting up the banners.

Marilyn Spangler wanted a "Thank You" sent to whoever cleaned the Women's Shelter after the sewer backed up.

**Motion** was made by N. Sprague, seconded by T. Schaneberg to have the Village take care of the Insurance and Title for a food wagon purchased by the Parks and Recreation Board. Passed: 6/0

## **HISTORIC PRESERVATION/EARLY WARNING**

(S. Spangler Chairman)

None

## **OTHER**

As no further business was brought before the board, a motion to adjourn was made by T. Schaneberg, seconded by W. Schaneberg and carried by unanimous vote at 9:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lori J. Smith  
Village Clerk