

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

DECEMBER 14, 2020 MINUTES APPROVED JANUARY 11, 2021

On December 14, 2020 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, Karmen Sage, Nick Sprague, Scott Spangler, Michael Crofton, President David Atkinson and Clerk Stephanie Sprague

Absent: Trustee Shantel Schafer, Attorney Considine

MINUTES

Motion made by M. Crofton, seconded by S. Spangler to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of November 9, 2020. Passed: 5/0

RECOGNITION OF VISITORS

None

VILLAGE CLERK'S REPORT

Motion made by S. Thompson, seconded by K. Sage to pay bills and make necessary transfers. Passed: 5/0

POLICE REPORT

(Chief Harney)

Miles on the police car – 492
Complaints/Calls for Service – 8
Traffic Stops – 1
Traffic Warnings – 1
Motorist Assists – 1
House Check – 1
Assist other Agency – 1

LEGAL ISSUES

(Attorney Considine)

None

GENERAL ISSUES

Motion made by M. Crofton, seconded by N. Sprague to give \$75 Lincoln Way Café gift certificates as Christmas gifts to employees BJ Harney, Ron Miller, Dan Hoffman and Madlyn Parks. Passed: 5/0

Motion made by N. Sprague, seconded by K. Sage to approve Tax Levy Ordinance 771-20. Passed: 5/0

COMMITTEE REPORTS

STREETS & ALLEYS

(N. Sprague Chairman)

Trustee Sprague informed the board Martins was here and the street repairs look good. Eric Grover will be back at the end of the week.

WATER & SEWER

(M. Crofton Chairman)

Trustee Crofton advised things at the water treatment plant are looking good and he is impressed with the improvements that have been made.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

(S. Schafer Chairman)

None

PROPERTIES

(K. Sage Chairman)

None

FINANCE AND INSURANCE COMMITTEE

(S. Thompson Chairman)

None

TOURISM

(S. Spangler Chairman)

Trustee Spangler shared pictures of the new banners. They look great and everyone approves of them.

HISTORIC PRESERVATION/EARLY WARNING

(S. Spangler Chairman)

None

Trustee Spangler talked to Tris Brumbly about the bench/desks. He contacted the state about guidelines but didn't get an answer. He will be meeting with Tris Tuesday or Wednesday.

President Atkinson asked Ron Miller to see about getting electro static disinfectors similar to what the fire station has, two for here and one for the park.

President Atkinson informed the board past board member Keith Roop passed away. He suggested a bench at the park or some kind of memorial.

President Atkinson advised AFC is potentially a pilot school for a program which students who volunteer 25 hours per year for all four years of high school will be eligible for 3 years of free education at Sauk Valley Community College. A representative will attend the January meeting to answer questions.

Marilyn Spangler informed the board Rich Bartlett advised the lights originally purchased for the sidewalk at the park were thought to be too heavy for the saturated ground, one pole was cracked and another the service plate is missing. Marilyn advised the park agreed to pay for new lights similar to the library walk lights for \$944.73 and asked if the village would reimburse the park for the lights. She suggested we could put the original lights on Marketplace to recoup the cost of them. Trustee Crofton suggested we keep them to put up at the sewage treatment plant and Flat Iron Park. Everyone was okay with that.

Trustee Sprague advised the Christmas Tree light on the village tree on their last leg. President Atkinson stated we will need to purchase new ones next year.

As no further business was brought before the board, a **motion** to adjourn was made by M. Crofton, seconded by S. Thompson and carried by unanimous vote at 7:39 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Stephanie M. Sprague
Village Clerk