

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

NOVEMBER 11, 2024 MINUTES APPROVE DECEMBER 9, 2024

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 John Nicholson, Nick Sprague, Amanda Lanning, Heather Grove, President David Atkinson, Clerk Stephanie Sprague

Absent: Trustees Shaun Thompson and Paul Erisman

MINUTES

Motion made by H. Grove, seconded by N. Sprague to approve the meeting minutes of October 14, 2024. Passed: 4/0

*Note: Trustee Shaun Thompson arrived at 7:03p.m.

VISITORS

Garbage bids were opened and copies passed out to trustees to review.

Motion made by J. Nicholson, seconded by A. Lanning to approve the two-pickups per week 5-year garbage bid from Midwest Disposal. Passed: 5/0

John McLane architect for the Winifred Knox Memorial Library approached the board to consider a memorial bronze sculpture for Winifred Knox.

Motion made by J. Nicholson, seconded by A. Lanning to approve contributing 50% of the cost of the Winifred Knox memorial sculpture, contingent on the Library Board contributing the other 50% share, or, the Village will pay 1/3 of the cost, contingent on both the Library Board and Township paying the other 2/3 share. Total cost is \$6,604.14. Passed: 5/0

VILLAGE CLERK'S REPORT

Motion made by H. Grove, seconded by S. Thompson to pay bills and late bills. Passed: 5/0

Motion made by H. Grove, seconded by J. Nicholson to approve Tax Levy Ordinance 791-24. Passed: 5/0

LEGAL ISSUES

(Attorney Considine)

Attorney Considine advised she spoke with Bob Logan and he has agreed to sign over the deed along with Jesse Hardy and his two corporations, deed will be drafted this week.

GENERAL ISSUES

COMMITTEE REPORTS

STREETS & ALLEYS

(N. Sprague Chairman)

Trustee Sprague advised new Streets & Alleys employee has been hired, Brennen Jeanblanc.

WATER & SEWER

(A. Lanning Chairman)

Trustee Lanning advised Marcelo has given his two weeks notice. She will ask him to give Caleb the W&S phone so Brennen can have the S&A phone.

She informed the board there is an IEPA violation that Willett & Hoffman will be working with J&T Consultants on.

Lead service line inspections are ongoing.

Engineering contract agreement for the well house rebuilds. There are a couple questions before the agreement will be signed.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

(J. Nicholson Chairman)

Trustee Nicholson advised the work on N. State St. looks really good.

PROPERTIES

(P. Erisman Chairman)

Marilyn Spangler advised the board park community building has been painted and base boards installed by a volunteer. The outdoor bathrooms have been started. The park committee will discuss a name for the N. State Street Park.

FINANCE AND INSURANCE COMMITTEE

(S. Thompson Chairman)

None

TOURISM

(H. Grove Chairman)

Trustee Grove and Marilyn Spangler advised the Halloween costume contest was well attended. The Christmas Walk plans are under way, event will be December 13th 5-8pm.

New event this year is a lighted parade that will kick-off the arrival of Santa to the Lincoln Building.

HISTORIC PRESERVATION/EARLY WARNING

None

As no further business was brought before the board, a **motion** to adjourn was made by J. Nicholson, seconded by A. Lanning and carried by unanimous vote at 8:09p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Stephanie M. Sprague
Village Clerk