

VILLAGE OF KINGSTON
REGULAR VILLAGE BOARD MEETING MINUTES
***April 3, 2017* UNOFFICIAL UNTIL APPROVED**
X AS WRITTEN OR AS AMENDED BY THE VILLAGE BOARD
ON *May 1, 2017*.

MEETING CALL:

The regular Village Board Meeting with the Board of Trustees of the Village of Kingston was called to order at 7:00 PM by President Jim Baenziger, Monday, *April 3, 2017* in the Village Board Room, at the Kingston Municipal Building, 101 E. Railroad St., Kingston, DeKalb County, Illinois.

ROLL CALL:

Upon roll call by President Jim Baenziger, the following were in attendance:

Present: 4, President Jim Baenziger, Trustees Jack Fischer, Randy Jennings and John Lynch.

Absent: 3, Trustees Frank Altmaier, Joe Hengels and Bob Ruehl. Also in attendance was Police Chief Gerald Taft, Village Attorney Kevin Buick, Village Engineer Kevin Berry, Justin Kamp and Jeff Walters from the Public Works Department.

AGENDA ADDITIONS OR CORRECTIONS:

Trustee Fischer would like to add to New Business, DeKalb County Economic Grant and Metro West Consortium.

MINUTES:

Motion by Trustee Fischer, seconded by Trustee Jennings to approve the *March 6, 2017* Minutes.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Ayes: 3, Trustees Fischer, Jennings, and Lynch.

Nays: 0.

Absent: 3, Trustees Altmaier, Hengels and Ruehl.

Motion carried.

CITIZENS COMMENTS:

Village resident Mr. Schneider addressed the Board in regards to his recently purchased property at 108 S. Main. Mr. Schneider is requesting that the current zoning be changed. Mr. Schneider purchased the property with the intentions of renting out the top and the bottom half of the building for residential. Current zoning code only permits the top half to be residential and the bottom half as commercial.

The Board discussed options available. Trustee Fischer will contact ICCI for recommendations and concerns on changing the zoning from Railroad Street to First Street to mixed use.

VILLAGE OFFICERS REPORT:

Police Department

Chief Taft reported that he had attended a Sheriff's meeting on March 24, 2017 in regards to the current dispatch system. Consultants were called in to assess the dispatch system, and were advised that it is out dated and needs to be digital.

Attorney

Attorney Buick answered questions from Trustee Fischer and Trustee Jennings on taxing of the cell tower.

Public Works

Public works reported that the property at 104 S. Main is non-compliant, the fence is encroaching on Village property. Clerk Lauderdale will send the information to Village Inspectors ICCI for resolution. Other properties discussed were 602 Gladys Court (accessory structure), 317 E. First Street (possible permanent residence in the camper) and 200 West Street (chickens in the back yard).

Village Engineer

The Board and Village Engineer Berry discussed the coring samples that need to be obtained. Engineer Berry has not received a second bid as of yet.

Village Clerk

Clerk Lauderdale advised the Board that the Economic Interest Statements are due to the County by May 1, 2017.

Treasurer

Not in attendance.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Property
Maintenance

Nothing new to report.

Route 72 Box Culvert

Engineer Berry informed the Board that the project is at a standstill due to fiber optic lines that are above the sewer lines and need to be relocated.

Kingston Municipal Code
in Chapter 86-192

Nothing new to report.

Infrastructure Study for
Village of Kingston.
Route 72 and Windhaven Drive
Drainage Issues.

Trustee Fischer is waiting to hear back from the County on using the GIS system. Engineer Berry requested from the Board, the amount of detailed information they would to see on the infrastructure study.

Chapter 74, Article VII Abandoned
and Inoperable Vehicles, Section
74-261 of the Kingston Municipal
Code.

Nothing new to report.

2017-2018 Village of Kingston

The Board discussed ongoing changes being made to the Budget, items discussed were road projects with MFT funds, donations to various organizations and replacement/repair of the Public Works dump truck.

Assignment of Penalty/Fines
Existing Municipal Code

The current Kingston Municipal Code does not have fixed penalty amounts on specific chapters and cannot be sent to Adjudication until this is resolved.

Box culvert at Route 72
and Spring St.

Mr. Kamp stated that the deterioration is getting worse. Trustee Lynch is still working to find resolution.

Charter Communication Franchise
Agreement

The current Franchise Agreement is set to expire in 2020. No Action taken by the Board.

OLD BUSINESS CONTINUED:

Joe Ratliff and Stephanie Hill
(Traffic at Kingston Elementary
School, beginning 2017-2018)

The Board discussed what options would be available to accommodate the traffic flow due to the closing of Davenport Elementary School in Genoa and increase of student population at Kingston Elementary School. Items discussed were, U-Turn ordinances, signs, stripping and parking.

HRGreen Professional Services
Agreement 1/1/2017-12/31/18

Motion by Trustee Jennings, seconded by Trustee Lynch to approve the January 1, 2017 - December 31, 2018 Professional Services Agreement for general consultation for the Village Engineer.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Ayes: 3, Trustees Fischer, Jennings and Lynch

Nays: 0.

Absent: 3, Trustees Altmaier, Hengels and Ruehl.

Motion carried.

108 S. Main Street

Trustee Lynch will reach out to the Village Inspectors to find out the current status of this issue.

Floormart - New Sign

Trustee Baenziger would like to re-visit the current ordinance and possibly revise.

NEW BUSINESS:

Genoa Days Parade

Motion by Trustee Jennings, Seconded by Trustee Lynch to not sponsor the Genoa-Kingston Fire Department for the Genoa Days' Parade.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Ayes: 3, Trustees Fischer, Jennings and Lynch.

Nays: 0.

Absent: 3, Trustee Altmaier, Hengels and Ruehl.

Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS CONTINUED:

Hand-In-Hand Community
Project Donation

Motion by Trustee Lynch, seconded by Trustee Fischer for the expenditure of Village Funds of \$800.00 for a donation to the Hand-In-Hand Community Project.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Ayes: 0.

Nays: 3, Trustees Fischer, Jennings and Lynch.

Absent: 3, Trustees Altmaier, Hengels and Ruehl.

Motion failed.

HRGreen Invoice No. 110680

Motion by Trustee Fischer, seconded by Trustee Lynch to approve for payment invoice number 110680 dated 3/24/17 in the amount of \$3,712.93 for general consultation services from 2/11/17 to 3/17/17.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Ayes: 3, Trustees Fischer, Jennings and Lynch.

Nays: 0.

Absent: 3, Trustees Altmaier, Hengels and Ruehl.

Motion carried.

Village Security Software Upgrade

Motion by Trustee Jennings, seconded by Trustee Fischer to purchase new security software for the Village of Kingston.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Ayes: 3, Trustee Fischer, Jennings and Lynch.

Nays: 0.

Absent: 3, Trustees Altmaier, Hengels and Ruehl.

Motion carried.

Adjudication Court Bailiff

Motion to engage Mr. Howard Lyle as the Adjudication Court Bailiff for the Village of Kingston, subject to the employment agreement.

ROLL CALL VOTE;

Ayes: 3, Trustees Fischer, Jennings and Lynch.

Nays: 0.

Absent: 3, Trustees Altmaier, Hengels and Ruehl.

Motion carried.

Trustee Fischer discussed Village of Kingston options and requirements Attorney Buick on the DeKalb County Economic Grant and the Metro West Consortuim

COMMENTS:

None at this time.

ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION:

Motion by Trustee Fischer, seconded by Trustee Jennings to enter in Executive Session at 8:50 p.m. under Subsection 1 of Section 2(c) of the open meetings act for the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employee of the public body or legal counsel for the public body, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee of the public body or against legal counsel for the public body to determine its validity.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Ayes: 3, Trustees Fischer, Jennings and Lynch.

Nays: 0.

Absent: 2, Trustees Altmaier, Hengels and Ruehl.

Motion carried.

Returned to open session at 9:20pm.

ADJOURNMENT:

Trustee Fischer motion, seconded by Trustee Jennings to adjourn the meeting at 9:20 p.m.

Angie Lauderdale, Village Clerk