

**VILLAGE OF KINGSTON
REGULAR VILLAGE BOARD MEETING MINUTES
December 3, 2012
UNOFFICIAL UNTIL APPROVED AS WRITTEN X
OR AS AMENDED BY THE VILLAGE BOARD
ON January 7, 2013.**

MEETING CALL:

The Regular Village Board Meeting with the President and Board of Trustees of the Village of Kingston was called to order at 7:00 pm by President John Munro, December 3, 2012, in the Village Board Room, at the Kingston Municipal Building, 101 E. Railroad St., Kingston, DeKalb County, Illinois.

ROLL CALL:

Upon roll call by Clerk Edwards, the following were in attendance:

Present: President John Munro, Trustees Jim Baenziger, Jennifer Bankson, Jack Fischer, Joe Hengels, John Lynch, and Robert Ruehl Jr.

Absent: 0.

Also in attendance were Village Attorney Kevin Buick, with the firm Foster & Buick Group LLC, Chief of Police Gerald Taft, Village Engineer Kevin Berry, with HR Green INC, Public Works Director Justin Kamp, and Treasurer Taunya Fischer.

AGENDA ADDITIONS OR CORRECTIONS:

Trustee Ruehl added Tax Levy to New Business.

Trustee Fischer added Plan Commission to New Business.

MINUTES:

Motion by Trustee Baenziger, seconded by Trustee Hengels to approve the November 5, 2012, minutes.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Ayes: 6, Trustees Baenziger, Bankson, Fischer, Hengels, Lynch, and Ruehl.

Nays: 0.

Absent: 0.

Motion Carried.

CITIZEN COMMENTS:

William Heinisch, 8800 S. Rood Rd., was present at the meeting. Mr. Heinisch explained he received a letter from the village with regard to the rocks he placed in front of his culvert. Mr. Heinisch handed out information showing the elevation measurements he took. His property is the highest point, therefore not impeding water flow. Trustee Hengels voiced concern that other neighbors may want to do the same thing. Consensus was expressed by the board to allow the rocks to remain.

VILLAGE OFFICERS REPORT

Police Department	Chief Taft commented the video camera is being put in the squad car. Chief Taft obtained a warrant for an individual with regard to prescription drug theft. The dodge squad car will be having body work done.
Attorney	Attorney Buick commented two property maintenance prosecutions will be in court on December 18, 2012. There is a pending date for the others in January. The OMA training must be completed by January 1, 2013. There will be changes to the OMA, as of the first of the year, such as a more detailed agenda.
Public Works	No report.
Village Engineer	No report.
Village Clerk	Clerk Edwards commented a new law extends the filing deadline for candidate petitions from December 24, 2012, to December 26, 2012. The law does not require the village to be open all day, but to remain open for at least some time period until 5:00 pm.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

City of Genoa (Wastewater)	Trustee Ruehl talked with Alderman Hansen, of Genoa, he requested the meeting be held after the election.
Flooding	Nothing new to report.

4th Street Well Improvements	Nothing new to report.
Sidewalks (Safe Routes to School Grant)	Nothing new to report.
Property Maintenance	Trustee Hengels handed out a letter, from ICCI, with updates.
Local Debt Recovery	Nothing new to report.
<u>NEW BUSINESS:</u>	
DeKalb County Keys	Roger Scott, chairman of the DeKalb County Keys, was present at the meeting. Mr. Scott discussed the program and informed the board Andrew Brening, Genoa-Kingston student, was chosen for the Leaders of Tomorrow Award.
Crossroads Community Church (Temporary Extension Special Use Permit)	Treasurer Fischer informed the board Crossroads Community Church's Special Use Permit expired December 2, 2012. Treasurer Fischer requested a one month grace period due to the holidays and the requirements for public notification. The public hearing will be held on January 2, 2013, and the board can vote on January 7, 2013, at the regular board meeting. Consensus was expressed by the board to allow a one month grace period.
Genoa Kingston FFA (Donation)	Treasurer Fischer commented there is \$75.00 left in Community Relations account. In the past the village has donated \$100.00. Trustee Ruehl motion seconded by Trustee Fischer to authorize the expenditure of village funds to donate \$100.00 to the Genoa-Kingston FFA.
	ROLL CALL VOTE:
	Ayes: 6, Trustees Baenziger, Bankson, Fischer, Hengels, Lynch, and Ruehl. Nays: 0. Absent: 0. Motion carried.
2013 Village Board Meeting Calendar	Clerk Edwards commented Easter is March 31, 2013. The April meeting is the following day. Trustee Fischer motion seconded by Trustee Lynch to approve the 2013

Village Board Meeting Calendar.
ROLL CALL VOTE:

Ayes: 6, Trustees Baenziger, Bankson, Fischer, Hengels, Lynch, and Ruehl.
Nays: 0.
Absent: 0.
Motion carried.

Plan
Commission

Trustee Fischer commented the Plan Commission finished reviewing the comprehensive plan and will start reviewing subdivision ordinances.

Tax Levy

Trustee Ruehl commented the 2011 Levy amount was \$138,659.26. The 2012 Tax Levy, taxes collected in 2013, will be \$143,050.00. The tax levy is less than 5% of previous year, so a public hearing is not needed. The board will vote to approve the levy amount at the next board meeting.

Trustee Fischer motion seconded by Trustee Baenziger to adjourn to closed session under Subsection 21 of Section 2(c) to approve June 4, 2012, and November 5, 2012, closed session meeting minutes, review closed session meeting minutes to determine if any can be opened, and adopt Resolution 2012-08, the destruction of audio tapes at 7:34 p.m.
ROLL CALL VOTE:

Ayes: 6, Trustees Baenziger, Bankson, Fischer, Hengels, Lynch, and Ruehl.
Nays: 0.
Absent: 0.
Motion carried.

ROLL CALL:

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Present: President John Munro, Trustees Jim Baenziger, Jennifer Bankson, Jack Fischer, Joe Hengels, John Lynch, and Robert Ruehl Jr.

Absent: 0.

Also in attendance were Village Attorney Kevin Buick, with the firm Foster & Buick Group LLC and Village Engineer Kevin Berry, with HR Green, INC.

Trustee Fischer motion seconded by Trustee Bankson to approve June 4,

2012, closed session meeting minutes and November 5, 2012, closed session meeting minutes as amended.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Ayes: 6, Trustees Baenziger, Bankson, Fischer, Hengels, Lynch, and Ruehl.

Nays: 0.

Absent: 0.

Motion carried.

Trustee Fischer motion seconded by Trustee Hengels to open the following closed session meeting minute: June 4, 2012.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Ayes: 6, Trustees Baenziger, Bankson, Fischer, Hengels, Lynch, and Ruehl.

Nays: 0.

Absent: 0.

Motion carried.

Trustee Fischer motion seconded by Trustee Bankson to approve Resolution 2012-08, the destruction of audio tapes.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Ayes: 6, Trustees Baenziger, Bankson, Fischer, Hengels, Lynch, and Ruehl.

Nays: 0.

Absent: 0.

Motion carried.

Trustee Hengels addressed a letter from an anonymous resident/residents with regard to boats on unimproved surfaces. President Munro commented to focus on phase 1 then phase 2 of property maintenance issues.

ADJOURNMENT

Trustee Hengels motion, seconded by Trustee Fischer to adjourn the meeting at 7:49 p.m.

Heather Edwards, Village Clerk