

**VILLAGE OF KINGSTON
REGULAR VILLAGE BOARD MEETING MINUTES
October 1, 2012
UNOFFICIAL UNTIL APPROVED AS WRITTEN X
OR AS AMENDED BY THE VILLAGE BOARD
ON November 5, 2012.**

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, October 1, 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, John Lynch, and Robert Ruehl Jr.

Absent: 1, Trustee Joe Hengels.

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, and Public Works Director Justin Kamp.

MINUTES:

Motion by Trustee Bankson, seconded by Trustee Fischer to approve the September 4, 2012, minutes.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Ayes: 4, Trustees Baenziger, Bankson, Fischer, and Lynch.

Nays: 1, Trustee Ruehl.

Absent: 1, Trustee Hengels.

Motion Carried.

PROCLAMATION:

President Munro proclaimed October as "Big Read Month".

VILLAGE OFFICERS REPORT

Police
Department

Chief Taft commented he applied and received a grant for a portable breathalyzer from Walmart.

Trustee Ruehl voiced concern about individuals smoking outside of businesses.

Attorney

Attorney Buick commented there is one ordinance prosecution that will be heard in court tomorrow. The defendant filed a motion to vacate. Attorney Buick sent out two more demand letters with regard to ordinance violation fines that have not been paid. He filed four complaints in court with regard to property maintenance issues which will be in court on October 30, 2012.

Trustee Ruehl asked if the village has the ability to recover costs associated with going to court. Attorney Buick commented the state caps the fine at \$750.00

Public
Works

Justin Kamp, Public Works Director, commented he has not heard anything from ICCI, with regard to the homeowners at 8811 South Rood Rd. and 8813 South Rood Rd., placing a culvert in the ditch and filling it in with dirt.

Village
Engineer

No report.

Village
Clerk

Clerk Edwards commented she went to the open meeting act seminar that Attorney Buick hosted last week. Board members need to take the OMA training by December.

The village received a thank you note for supporting the Big Read of DeKalb County.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

City of Genoa
(Wastewater)

Nothing new to report.

Flooding

Nothing new to report.

4th Street Well
Improvements

Engineer Berry commented the village received the first grant payment of \$25,000. The next step is the bid process. Engineer Berry suggested the bid process occur in February and the construction start in March. The project has to be completed by July 2013.

Sidewalks
(Safe Routes
to School Grant)

Nothing new to report.

Property
Maintenance

Nothing new to report.

IPWMAN

Trustee Fischer commented there is an annual fee of \$100.00 to join. Attorney Buick commented he reviewed the agreement and ordinance. He had no objections with them. Trustee Fischer will have the ordinance ready for the next board meeting.

Main Street
(Concrete
Grinding)

President Munro commented the village has not received the second bid for repairing the sidewalks on the west side.

Ordinance
2012-09
(Chapter 74,
Traffic and
Vehicles)

Attorney Buick suggested changing the wording in Section 1 from "enacted as" to "amended to enact the following provisions within Chapter 74."

Trustee Bankson motion seconded by Trustee Baenziger to adopt Ordinance 2012-09 (Chapter 74, Traffic and Vehicles) of the Kingston Municipal Code as amended.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Ayes: 5, Trustees Baenziger, Bankson, Fischer, Lynch, and Ruehl.

Nays: 0.

Absent: 1, Trustee Hengels.

Motion carried.

Resolution
2012-06
(Fines)

Trustee Baenziger motion seconded by Trustee Fischer to approve Resolution 2012-06 (Fines).

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Ayes: 5, Trustee Baenziger, Bankson, Fischer, Lynch, and Ruehl.

Nays: 0.

Absent: 1, Trustee Hengels.

Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

Police
Department
Floor (Bid)

President Munro commented there has been no flooring in the police department since May 2011, when it flooded. The bid of \$525.00 is to plug and fill the floor drain, clean the floor, and level it. Chief Taft commented he applied for a grant through Lowe's, for floor covering.

Trustee Ruehl motion seconded by Trustee Bankson to authorize the expenditure of village funds to plug and fill the floor drain, clean the floor, and level it, in the police department, not to exceed \$525.00.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Ayes: 5, Trustees Baenziger, Bankson, Fischer, Lynch, and Ruehl.

Nays: 0.

Absent: 1, Trustee Hengels.

Motion carried.

Local Debt
Recovery

Nothing new to report.

Ordinance
2012-10
(Disposition
of Personal
Property)

President Munro commented the ordinance is to dispose of items that are no longer needed by the police department. Chief Taft requested the light bar be donated to the DeKalb County Animal Shelter. The rest of the items will be sold.

Trustee Baenziger motion seconded by Trustee Ruehl to adopt Ordinance 2012-10 (Disposition of Personal Property).

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Ayes: 5, Trustees Baenziger, Bankson, Fischer, Lynch, and Ruehl.

Nays: 0.

Absent: 1, Trustee Hengels.

Motion carried.

COMMENTS AND PETITIONS

President Munro commented Paul King, CPA, who does the annual audit, is retiring. Treasurer Fischer is looking for a new company to do the audit.

President Munro commented candidate packets are available.

President Munro commented the water department received a Fluoride Award.

Clerk Edwards commented HR Green would like to invite board members to attend the Annual Dinner - State of the County & 25 Year Anniversary Celebration as a guest of HR Green. The dinner is Tuesday October 16, 2012.

ADJOURNMENT

Trustee Bankson motion, seconded by Trustee Fischer to adjourn the meeting at 7:39 p.m.

Heather Edwards, Village Clerk