

**VILLAGE OF KINGSTON
REGULAR VILLAGE BOARD MEETING MINUTES
August 2, 2010
UNOFFICIAL UNTIL APPROVED AS WRITTEN X
OR AS AMENDED BY THE VILLAGE BOARD
ON September 7, 2010.**

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, Monday, August 2, 2010, 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 Butler, and Jack Fischer.

Absent: 3, Trustees Joe Hengels, Dave McNamara, and Robert Ruehl Jr.

Also in attendance were Chief of Police Gerald Taft and Village Engineer Kevin Berry, with SEC Group Inc.

Trustee Hengels arrived at 7:02 p.m.

AMENDMENT TO THE AGENDA:

President Munro added Utility Bill to New Business.

MINUTES:

Motion by Trustee Fischer, seconded by Trustee Hengels to approve the July 5, 2010, minutes as written.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Ayes: 3, Trustees Baenziger, Fischer, and Hengels.

Nays: 1, Trustee Butler.

Absent: 2, Trustees McNamara and Ruehl.

Motion Carried.

APPOINTMENT TO PLAN COMMISSION:

Trustee Fischer motion seconded by Trustee Butler to approve the appointment of Marie Bennett to Plan Commission.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Ayes: 4, Trustees Baenziger, Butler, Fischer, and Hengels.

Nays: 0.

Absent: 2, Trustees McNamara and Ruehl.

Motion carried.

VILLAGE OFFICERS REPORT

Police Department Chief Taft commented that he spoke with Mr. Kline, owner of Varsity, informing him that future outdoor events need board approval.

Chief Taft reported that the police department received an ILEA grant for one computer that will be put in a squad car.

Attorney No report.

Public Works No report.

Village Engineer No report.

Village Clerk Clerk Edwards reported that the City of Genoa will be hosting a brief lecture followed by question and answer on August 30th at 1:00 p.m. with regard to the recent tornado that struck Streator.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

City of Genoa (Wastewater) Nothing new to report.

Plan Commission This item can be removed.

Hunter Rd. President Munro commented that there were several bids for seeding the ditches after the road is fixed. Engineer Berry commented that the bids could be reduced by using less landscape fabric. President Munro commented that he would like to see if Kingston Township is going to fix their part of the road before investing more money into the landscaping. The board will further discuss the issue at the next meeting. President Munro reported that he talked with Mr. Turnquist and Mr. Schelkopf

about the village's decision to fix the road.

Tornado Siren Clerk Edwards reported that she sent a copy of the zoning map to Braniff Communication, Inc. so they can determine if the village needs one or two sirens. Clerk Edwards commented that routine maintenance would cost \$550.00 per siren. Clerk Edwards will have the grant information in the next packet for everyone to review. The grant has to be submitted by September 1st. The village will also need a letter of support from the fire department.

Employee Handbook Trustee Fischer is waiting to hear back from Attorney Buick on the issue.

NEW BUSINESS:

Ord. 2010-06 (Prevailing Wage) Trustee Baenziger motion seconded by Trustee Hengels to adopt Ordinance 2010-06 (Prevailing Wage).
ROLL CALL VOTE:

Ayes: 4, Trustee Baenziger, Butler, Fischer, and Hengels.
Nays: 0.
Absent: 2, Trustee McNamara and Ruehl.
Motion carried.

Utililty Bill Treasurer Taunya Fischer showed what the new utility bills will look like. Treasurer Fischer commented that currently the village sends out a penalty bill, but there is nothing in the code book that says it has to be sent out. Treasurer Fischer was wanting to take the approach like ComEd and NiCor do by having on the bills; the previous amount that was due, the current amount, any payment, and the balance. By doing that, she was then not wanting to send out a penalty bill to help save money. There was no objection. Treasurer Fischer will check with Attorney Buick to see if the board needs to vote on the issue.

ADJOURNMENT

Trustee Fischer motion, second by Trustee Butler to adjourn the meeting at 7:33 p.m.

Heather Edwards, Village Clerk