

**Village of Pawnee
Board of Trustees
Minutes of May 14, 2007**

Call to Order

- President Manning called the meeting to order at 7:08 p.m.

Roll Call

- Village Clerk, Cynthia Kramer, called roll
- Trustees in attendance: Steven Gudgel, Phillip Thompson, Tom Bowen, Joette Manning, Jeff Thomas and Bill Miller
- Trustee/s absent: None
- Also in attendance: attorney John Myers, Police Chief Bowsher, Trustee Elect Terry Woodcock and family members, Joy Brinkman, Sheldon Woodcock and Ciara Woodcock; Amy Gudgel and daughter Hannah Gudgel

Recognition/Comment/s of Visitor/s

- Joy Brinkman, Sheldon Woodcock and daughter Ciara, Amy Gudgel and daughter Hannah were present to witness newly elected trustees Teresa (Terry) Woodcock and incumbents Steven Gudgel and Tom Bowen receive the oath of office and to be seated following the conclusion of old business.

Clerk's Comments

- Motor Fuel Allotments and Transactions for the month of April was \$6, 289.59
- Minutes of April 23, 2007 were presented for review and approval.
Motion made by Trustee Miller to approve the minutes of April 23, 2007 as presented.
Second by Trustee Thompson
Roll Call Vote Taken: Gudgel-yes, Thompson-yes, Bowen-yes, Manning-yes, Thomas-yes and Miller-yes
Motion Carried (6-0)

Gas and Water Committee Report: Committee Chair, Trustee Manning

- There were five (5) shut-offs for the month, considerably more than the village usually performs at this time, and we are not sure as to the reasoning why, it just may be "crunch" time for some residents.
- Residential gas rates dropped 9.8 cents per therm May to June
- Mike, Jeff and Jason will attend a training session at Ameren on May 31.

Park Committee Report: Committee Chair, Trustee Manning

- There was an incident of vandalism at Schultz/North Park. Chief Bowsher will explain more fully during the Police Report.
- Trustee Manning planted flowers in all the planters for the square and they are in place. Volunteers JoLynn Anderson and Trustee Jeff were unavailable to help due to scheduling conflicts. Mayor Manning and trustees thanked Trustee Manning for her efforts, which has been a "labor of love" the past several years.
- The new countertop and roll-down window for the new concession stand at Schultz/North Park was installed this week.
- Two new tables were ordered for the park and they have been installed.
- The Park Committee received numerous requests for more trash receptacles. Since the grills at the park were old and not being used, the grills were removed, leaving the concrete pad that will be used in the installation of the new trash receptacles.

Personnel & Finance Committee Report: Committee Chair, Trustee Bowen

- Bills Payable was presented for approval
Motion made by Trustee Bowen to accept the bills payable as presented for Thursday, May 10, 2007
Second by Trustee Thompson
Roll Call Vote Taken: Gudgel-yes, Thompson-yes, Bowen-yes, Manning-yes, Thomas-yes and Miller-yes
Motion Carried (6-0)

- Chairman Bowen informs trustees that Treasurer Glenn Smith requested that he ask trustees for approval to extend matured CD's for three (3) or six (6) months paying 4.85 %. Bowen suggests renewing for a three-month period with United Community Bank, paying 4.85 %.
Motion made by Trustee Bowen to renew CD's for a three-month period with UCB, paying 4.85 %.
Second by Trustee Manning
Roll Call Vote Taken: Gudgel-yes, Thompson-yes, Bowen-yes, Manning-yes, Thomas-yes and Miller-yes
Motion Carried (6-0)
- Treasurer Smith transferred \$100,000 from the General Fund CD to the General Fund.
Motion made by Trustee Bowen to approve Ordinance 07-02, An Ordinance Authorizing Village Expenditures Pending Adoption of Annual Appropriation Ordinance.
Second by Trustee Thompson
Roll Call Vote Taken: Gudgel-yes, Thompson-yes, Bowen-yes, Manning-yes, Thomas-yes and Miller-yes
Motion Carried (6-0)
- Regarding Personnel, there are thirteen (13) applicants for the summer help positions. Bowen requests that Personnel Committee members remain for a very brief meeting following adjournment. He stated he would like to meet the first of next week and would like to schedule a ten-minute interview session for each applicant.

Streets, Alleys and Sidewalk Committee Report: Committee Chair, Trustee Bowen

- Nick is patching a number of potholes and doing some culvert work. The village replaced one culvert at the Methodist Church. It was a good time to replace the culvert as the church was in the process of paving its parking lot.

Police Committee Report: Committee Chair, Trustee Miller

- Motion made by Trustee Miller to approve the police report as presented.
Second by Trustee Thompson
Roll Call Vote Taken: Gudgel-yes, Thompson-yes, Bowen-yes, Manning-yes, Thomas-yes and Miller-yes
Motion Carried (6-0)
- Chief Bowsher brought up the subject of the police garage. Not only is the building incredibly expensive to heat but in need of major repairs. The building originally was a filling or service station, and then used a number of years by Sangamac Ambulance/Pawnee Ambulance Corp as office, training area and garage. Chief Bowsher submitted an estimate sheet citing repair cost vs. cost of new building. (See attached sheet). She asked trustees to consider a new building. The garage is used for the care and maintenance of police vehicles.

Sewer Committee Report: Committee Chair, Trustee Thompson

- Nothing to report. Chairman Thompson did state the village supplied toilets and hand washing stations for the Village Wide Garage Sale.

Zoning Committee Report: Committee Chair, Trustee Gudgel

- Nothing to report

Unfinished Business/Correspondence

- None
Motion made by Trustee Manning to adjourn the meeting.
Second by Trustee Miller
Roll Call Vote Taken: Gudgel-yes, Thompson-yes, Bowen-yes, Manning-yes, Thomas-yes and Miller-yes
Motion Carried (6-0)
Meeting adjourned at 7:33 p.m.

Sine die

- Village President Kenton Manning gave the oath of office to re-elected Trustees Steven Gudgel and Tom Bowen and to newly elected Trustee Terry Woodcock.

Call to Order

- President Manning called the meeting to order at 7:42 p.m.

Roll Call

- Village Clerk, Cynthia Kramer, called roll
- Trustees in attendance: Steven Gudgel, Phillip Thompson, Tom Bowen, Terry Woodcock, Jeff Thomas and Bill Miller
- Trustees absent: 0

New Business/Correspondence

- None

Mayor's Comments

- President Manning thanks Joette Manning for her many years of service to the community as a village trustee. Manning may be the second longest serving trustee in village history.
- President Manning asks trustees to submit a list of committees on which they would like to serve.
- President Manning stated too many irons in the fire and requested trustee help with several on going projects including an IDOT Project and Schools and the village web site.
- Village Codes need updating and the Animal Code needs to be redone. He also asked for board opinion regarding signing of letters noting Village Code states from which chairman/department/Village of Pawnee is responsible for sending letters. He asked if trustees had a problem or concern with putting your signature as a trustee on a letter. All trustees stated they did not have a problem signing letters.
- With the help of Rich Brauer, Manning stated he may finally receive an answer from Ameren regarding leasing of the property west of town. Regarding the leasing of property immediately north of the practice soccer fields at Schultz Park, Stanley Lederbrand has yet to contact the people he needs to speak with regarding leasing of the land.
- President Manning will attend the Springfield City Council Meeting Tuesday, May 16 and he will be sending a letter to Springfield Mayor Tim Davlin regarding long over due Hunter Lake engineering and legal fees incurred by the village but to be reimbursed by the City of Springfield (Mayor Karen Hasara) Engineering - \$17,501.84 and Legal - \$7,396.00
- President Manning is still working on receiving IEMA reimbursement for money spent during ice storm clean up. The village spent approximately \$24,000 and will receive about an \$18,000 reimbursement.
- Attorney Alex Rabin sent letter to Don Luttrell, Midwest Meters, regarding changes needed regarding purchase of meter reading system.
- President Manning asked Trustee Jeff Thomas to look at UGM and the 10 Year Supply Program

Motion to Adjourn

Motion was made by Trustee Miller to adjourn the meeting

Second by Trustee Woodcock

Voice Vote Taken: Six ayes, 0 nays

Motion Carried (6-0)

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m. on Monday, May 14, 2007. The next scheduled meeting of the Pawnee Village Board of Trustees is Monday, May 28, 2007 at 7:00 p.m. at the Village Hall.

Respectfully Submitted

Cynthia S. Kramer
Village Clerk