

**Village of Pawnee  
Board of Trustees  
Minutes of May 28, 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: Phillip Thompson, Tom Bowen, Terry Woodcock and Bill Miller
- Trustees absent: Steven Gudgel, Jeff Thomas
- Also in attendance: Chief Bowsher, Treasurer Glenn Smith

**Recognition/Comment/s of Visitor/s**

- No visitors present

**Clerk's Comments**

- Minutes of May 14, 2007 were presented for review and approval.  
Motion made by Trustee Thompson to approve the minutes of May 14, 2007 as presented  
Second by Trustee Miller  
Roll Call Vote Taken: Thompson-yes, Bowen-yes, Woodcock-yes and Miller-yes  
Motion Carried (4-0)

**Budget Comparison & Investment Report: Village Treasurer, Glenn Smith**

- The April 2007 Budget Comparison Report and Investment Report were presented for review and approval.  
Motion made by Trustee Bowen to approve the Budget Comparison and Investment Report as presented for April 30, 2007  
Second by Trustee Thompson  
Roll Call Vote Taken: Thompson-yes, Bowen-yes, Woodcock-yes and Miller-yes  
Motion Carried (4-0)

**Gas and Water Committee Report**

- No report given

**Park Committee Report**

- A committee report was not given however; President Manning noted the village received the Jumbo Movie (movie in the park) contract. A tentative date of August 3, 2007 has been selected for the family fare event. He noted the cost is \$1200 – DVD with sponsor message or \$1000 no DVD with sponsor message. A \$500 deposit is required at the time the contract is signed with the balance due August 3. Manning also noted there is a licensing agreement fee and he requested that Treasurer Glenn Smith check on the amount of the fee before sending a deposit as trustees opted for the \$1000 package.
- Trustee Phil Thompson commented that the Memorial Day service was very beautiful. He also asked a question regarding the Summer Baseball Organization and the selling of soda during tournaments. Currently the village restricts the selling of soda as concession stand fare since a soda machine is located in the park building with proceeds going toward park improvements. Thompson noted that once the soda machine empties the ball group must sell water. He stated the Summer Baseball Organization suggested it pay a fee to the village and then be allowed to sell soda for just tournaments. Trustee Terry Woodcock asked how much money the village makes from the soda machine on weekends and if the village could waive the restriction for tournaments. Chief Bowsher suggested that since it is a Coke machine in the building, summer baseball could sell Pepsi products during tournaments thus allowing both baseball and the park to receive funds.

**Personnel & Finance Committee Report: Committee Chair, Trustee Bowen**

- (Bowen) and Trustee Jeff Thomas met Thursday evening, May 10 and interviewed nine (9) applicants for student summer help. He noted they could choose four and that he hopes those not selected this year would reapply next year.

Motion made by Trustee Bowen to hire Seth Carter and Andrew Lee, both hired last year, and Gavin Kirkpatrick and Travis Simpson with the beginning date of June 3, ending date of either August 24 or 31 at \$7.50 per hour.

Second by Trustee Thompson

- Bills Payable list was presented for review and approval with the addition of one (1) bill for \$1,112.39 to Herman Goddard for parts and labor to replace an oil coolant unit (\$800) for a village police vehicle. Motion made by Trustee Bowen to approve bills payable with the addition of the Goddard bill.

Second by Trustee Thompson

Roll Call Vote Taken: Thompson-yes, Bowen-yes, Woodcock-yes and Miller-yes

Motion Carried (4-0)

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

- Bowen noted the new attachment for the Bobcat is getting a real workout as the village readies streets for oil and chipping.
- He received several complaints regarding swimming pools with standing water. He asked the public to be careful using straw when seeding new grass/lawns. If the straw is not properly taken care of, it can cause a real problem for nearby swimming pools and filters.
- He received numerous general complaints about alleys/trash/weeds. Bowen stated he needs specific information, as he cannot act on generalities.

#### **Police Committee Report: Committee Chair, Trustee Miller**

- Chief Bowsher reported that the police Taser broke and must be repaired. She noted that Pawnee Prairie Days begin June 7 and the repair period is approximately six weeks. Money is budgeted (for this reason) for the purchase of a second unit at a cost of \$750 and she would like to have one unit available for her officers during Prairie Days. Upon ordering, she could receive the Taser within two days. The broken one will be repaired at no cost to the village. Trustees stated if money is budgeted, order the Taser.

#### **Sewer Committee Report: Committee Chair, Trustee Thompson**

- A pump is being renovated for air filtrators.
- The village is still waiting to receive the renewal for the water treatment plant. That usually arrives sometime mid-summer.

#### **Zoning Committee Report: Committee Chair, Trustee Gudgel**

- No report given

#### **Unfinished Business/Correspondence**

- Trustees tabled Ordinance 07-03, approving a contract for an automated meter reading system and Ordinance 07-05, regulating development in floodplains areas.

Motion made by Trustee Bowen to approve Ordinance 07-04, An Ordinance Approving a Contract for the Purchase of Real Estate, commonly known as 110 Washington Street, Pawnee, Illinois.

Second by Trustee Thompson

Roll Call Vote Taken: Thompson-yes, Bowen-yes, Woodcock-yes and Miller-yes

Motion Carried (4-0)

#### **New Business/Correspondence**

- None

#### **Mavor's Comments**

- Still working on Ameren regarding leasing of property on west side of village
- Contacted River Rambles, looking at fall play date of Bluegrass music, maybe September when weather cooler and its brat weather
- Manning questions trustees about Agnew property, 110 Washington Street, will village need asbestos screening and should the village seeks bids or have village employees demolish the structure?
- The village is going to use summer help to do a lot of clean-up this summer
- While the house was demolished on the Don Scott property, the garage was left intact, however Mr. Scott has not done anything regarding the garage. Attorney Alex Rabin is now working on getting the garage torn down.

- The question whether to repair or build on new police garage is still tabled; however, Trustee Gudel has a different angle on this matter, which we should be able to discuss at the next board meeting.
- Manning asked for short committee meetings following the June 11 village board meeting.
- Manning noted that only two trustees, Woodcock and Thompson, turned in committee appointment requests.
- Manning stated he is ordering a plaque to be given to Jay Sheedy in recognition for his many years of service to the Pawnee Zoning Board.

**Motion to Adjourn**

Motion made by Trustee Miller to adjourn the meeting

Second by Trustee Thompson

Voice Vote Taken: Four ayes, 0 nays

Motion Carried (4-0)

Meeting adjourned at 8:08 p.m. on Monday, May 28, 2007. The next scheduled meeting of the Pawnee Village Board of Trustees is Monday, June 11, 2007 at 7 p.m. at the Village Hall.

Respectfully Submitted

Cynthia S. Kramer  
Village Clerk