

**VILLAGE OF PAWNEE
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Minutes of September 14, 2009**

Call to Order:

- President Clarke called the meeting to order at 7:01pm.

Roll Call:

- Village Clerk, Devona Martin, called roll
- Trustees in attendance: Phillip Thompson, Tom Bowen, Terry Woodcock, David Skinner
- Trustees absent: Steve Gudgel, Mark Gleason
- Also in attendance: Joe Greene with Greene and Bradford, Inc., Chief Jan Bowsher, Village Attorney John Myers, Candy Kramer with the Pawnee Post, Gary Eby, Chad Brenden, Steve Condon, Michelle Featherston and Shawn Burnley.

Visitor's Recognition/Comments:

- Joe Greene with Greene and Bradford, Inc. discussed the storm sewers. Over the years, Greene and Bradford, Inc. has put several projects/bids together for the storm sewers with no action ever being taken. He is again bringing it before the board. Their original estimate of \$100,000 included storm sewers on 4th Street in front of the school heading North and then West down Sherman. It was looked at again in 2008 at a cost of \$150,000. Then just recently as part of the stimulus, they put together a project to install storm sewers on the north side of 104 running from 4th Street West to the water tower at a cost of \$1.5-\$1.6 million. Trustee Bowen will meet with Village Treasurer Glenn Smith to see if there is money in the budget prior to proceeding. This will be discussed again at the next Village meeting.

Clerk's Report:

- Minutes of August 24, 2009 were presented for review and approval.
Motion made by Trustee Bowen to approve minutes of August 24, 2009 as presented.
Second made by Trustee Thompson
Roll Call Vote Taken: Thompson-yes, Bowen-yes, Woodcock-yes, Skinner-yes
Motion Carried: 4-0
- Minutes of September 1, 2009 were presented for review and approval.
Motion made by Trustee Thompson to approve minutes of September 1, 2009 as presented.
Second made by Trustee Woodcock
Roll Call Vote Taken: Thompson-yes, Bowen-yes, Woodcock-yes, Skinner-yes
Motion Carried: 4-0

Personnel & Finance Committee Report: Committee Chair, Trustee Skinner

- Bills payable were presented for the week ending September 14, 2009 in the amount of \$133,113.03
Motion made by Trustee Skinner to accept bills payable for week ending September 14th, 2009 in the amount of \$133,113.03.
Second made by Trustee Bowen
Roll Call Vote Taken: Thompson-yes, Bowen-yes, Woodcock-yes, Skinner-yes
Motion Carried: 4-0

- **Ordinance No. 09-15 –AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO EMPLOYEE SALARIES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING APRIL 30, 2010.** This ordinance will give all non-bargaining employees a 3% cost of living raise retroactive to May 1, 2009.

Motion made by Trustee Skinner to pass Ordinance 09-15 relating to employee salaries for the year ending April 30, 2010 for a 3% raise retroactive to May 1, 2009

Second made by Trustee Woodcock

Roll Call Vote Taken: Thompson-yes, Bowen-yes, Woodcock-yes, Skinner-yes

Motion Carried: 4-0

ENTER INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Motion made by Trustee Thompson to enter into executive session to discuss personnel.

Second made by Trustee Skinner

Roll Call Vote Taken: Thompson-yes, Bowen-yes, Woodcock-yes, Skinner-yes

Motion Carried: 4-0

ENTER INTO REGULAR SESSION:

Motion made by Trustee Thompson to enter regular session

Second made by Trustee Woodcock

Roll Call Vote Taken: Thompson-yes, Bowen-yes, Woodcock-yes, Skinner-yes

Motion carried: 4-0

Gas and Water Committee Report: Committee Chair, Trustee Woodcock

- The water tower was struck by lightning on Sunday, September 6, 2009 blowing the electronic pressure reader. The cost to repair it is \$400. It is currently on order.
- The village has 2 CGI meters, i.e. gas sniffers. One is currently obsolete and the other is in need of repair. The cost of a new unit is \$1600. Chad Brenden has negotiated this price to \$1400 plus trading in the obsolete unit for a credit. This will make the total cost for a new meter at approximately \$1300. The cost to repair the other meter is approximately \$180.
- The new water line was put in on 5th Street from Penn to Washington and Jefferson. Now they will be tapping lines on to the new main for a total cost of \$3500-\$4000 in materials which they have in the budget. This process will take a little over a month. When they hook into the main, there may be an interruption of service for about 15 minutes. There will not be a boil order but there may be a little air in the line.
- There will be a training on 10/13/09 in which Chad, Jason and Andy will be attending. Payment has already been sent. Jeff Schober will be in charge in Chad Brenden's absence.
- Rates stayed the same from September to October at \$.72/therm. Again this is another 5yr low.
- The annual leak survey from USDI (Utility Safety and Design) resulted in only 9 items that the Village is responsible for. This is the best survey results in several years.
- The shut off meeting will be held on September 28th at 6pm. Last month, there was a potential for 20 shut offs but only resulted in 4 shut offs; 2 of the 4 were turned back on.

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

- The committee has finished identifying most of the gutters and curbs to be replaced. This will be bid out.
- The salt that the Village has obtained for winter use sits outside on the ground. Trustee Bowen will get cost estimates on building a 40' x 40' shed similar to IDOT's salt sheds but smaller. He will call IDOT for direction on where to start.

Police Committee Report: Committee Chair, Trustee Gleason

- The monthly police report dated September 14, 2009 was presented for review and approval. There were 10 bids for the vehicles. The 2002 Impala sold for \$1,299.99 to Stewart Reeves and the 2000 Crown Victoria sold for \$1,755.00 to Jerry Sinclair.
Motion made by Trustee Thompson to accept Chief Bowsher's police report
Second made by Trustee Bowen
Roll Call Vote Taken: Thompson-yes, Bowen-yes, Woodcock-yes, Skinner-yes
Motion Carried: 4-0

Sewer and Parks Committee Report: Committee Chair, Trustee Thompson

- There were a couple of uncapped storm drains which have been taken care of.
- The port-a-potties and the hand washing stations were delivered to the square for the Lions Club Fair.

Zoning Committee Report: Committee Chair, Trustee Gudge

- none

Unfinished Business:

- Announcement by Village Attorney Meyers – The next bargaining session is scheduled for Thursday, September 17, 2009 at 7:00pm.

Mayor's Comments:

- The Village has secured \$235,000 from Representative Rich Brauer for overlay. It will become available in the spring 2010. We will need to determine which roads we want to fix. It can only be used for asphalt roads.
- President Clark would like to congratulate the Pawnee Chamber of Commerce for the circus as well as the Lions Club for the Country Fair.

Motion to Adjourn:

- **Motion** made by Trustee Thompson to adjourn meeting.
Second made by Trustee Skinner
Roll Call Vote Taken: Thompson-yes, Bowen-yes, Woodcock-yes, Skinner-yes
Motion Carried: 4-0

Meeting adjourned at 7:44pm on Monday, September 14, 2009. The next scheduled meeting of the Pawnee Village Board of Trustees is Monday, September 28, 2009 at 7:00pm at the Village Hall.

Respectfully Submitted,

Devona L. Martin
Village Clerk