

**Village of Pawnee  
Board of Trustees  
Minutes of January 24, 2005**

**Call to Order**

- President Manning called the meeting to order at 7:06 p.m.

**Roll Call**

- Village Clerk, Cynthia Kramer, called roll
- Trustees in attendance: Steven Gudgel, Tom Bowen, Phillip Thompson, Terry Woodcock, and Bill Miller
- Trustee/s absent: Joette Manning
- Also in attendance: Pawnee Water Commissioner Gary Whitson and Police Chief Jan Bowsher

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

- Pawnee Water Commissioner Garry Whitson (Otter Lake Water Commission) gave a very brief report stating the commission is acquiring new equipment to better monitor the level of water in tanks and that the Tovey water project is still waiting for a meter and lift pump, with the items are expected any day, it should be up and running 30 days after delivery.

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

- The November 2004 Budget Comparison Report and Investment Report and the December 2005 Budget Comparison Report and Investment Report were presented for approval.

Motion made by Trustee Woodcock to approve the November 2004 Budget Comparison and Investment Report as presented.

Second by Trustee Thompson

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

Motion Carried (5-0)

Motion made by Trustee Woodcock to approve the December 2004 Budget Comparison Report and Investment Report as presented.

Second by Trustee Thompson

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

Motion Carried (5-0)

**Clerk's Comments**

- Minutes of January 10, 2005 were presented for review and approval.  
Motion made by Trustee Miller to approve the minutes of January 10, 2005 as presented.  
Second by Trustee Thompson

Roll Call Vote Taken: Gudgel-yes, Bowen-yes, Thompson-yes, Woodcock-yes, and Miller-yes  
Motion Carried (5-0)

**Gas and Water Committee Report: Committee Chair, Trustee Manning**

- No report given

**Park Committee Report: Committee Chair, Trustee Manning**

- No report given

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

- Bills Payable was presented for review.  
Motion made by Trustee Woodcock to accept the bills payable as presented.  
Second by Trustee Thompson  
Roll Call Vote Taken: Gudgel-yes, Bowen-yes, Thompson-yes, Woodcock-yes, and Miller-yes  
Motion Carried (5-0)
- Personnel: Trustee Woodcock received a letter of resignation from Officer Rob Wangen. He is resigning in order to take a position with the Christian County Sheriff's Office. His last day is February 4. The Personnel Committee will be meeting with the Police Committee to determine what should be done to fill the vacancy.
- We received a request for Officer Bertoni to work part-time for the Divernon Police Department, with the understanding that Pawnee duties take precedence. Trustee Woodcock noted Officer Bertoni worked part-time previously for the Riverton Police Department, adding this particular question has always been brought to the board before but she thinks it should be more to the discretion of the supervisor. Trustees stated their agreement.
- An ordinance approving a three-year contract with Central State Fireworks will be presented for approval at the February 14, 2005 board meeting.
- Certificates of Deposit expire February 13; quotes will be available at the next committee meeting.

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

- Trustees held final discussion on an ordinance pertaining to a reciprocal reporting agreement between the Village of Pawnee and the Pawnee School District  
Motion made by Trustee Miller to approve Ordinance 05-03, an ordinance approving an intergovernmental agreement with the Pawnee Community School District No. 11 pertaining to a reciprocal reporting agreement.  
Second by Trustee Gudgel  
Roll Call Vote Taken: Gudgel-yes, Bowen-yes, Thompson-yes, Woodcock-yes, and Miller-yes  
Motion Carried (5-0)

**\*Note:** Pertaining to the agreement, Pawnee Police Chief Jan Bowsher and Pawnee Schools Superintendent Lonny Lemon will serve as reporting officers. In the event, Chief Bowsher is unavailable; Police Committee Chairman Bill Miller will serve as the reporting officer.

- Police Chief Jan Bowsher presented the yearly report, which gives the type and total number of criminal cases solved (58 closed) vs. pending (42 open). She notes that most of the vandalism occurs at Schultz (North) Park.

Motion made by Trustee Miller to approve the police report as presented.

Second by Trustee Gudgel

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

Motion Carried (5-0)

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

- Everything is going well. We talked last meeting about the partial improvement of the new subdivision sewer scenario, of the 170 acres in the new subdivision 85 acres have been approved by the IEPA, and 85 acres are sitting for future development. We also received a letter from IEPA giving the village its water pollution control permit regarding the Skinner property. We received that information from Greene and Bradford and (Thompson) will make sure Gina Fuhrmann gets the information.
- The sticker/logos are on the trucks. Some trustees voice the opinion the stickers are a little large for small vehicles, but look good on the large trucks as do the www.pawneeillinois bumper stickers

#### **Streets, Alleys & Sidewalks Committee Report: Committee Chair, Trustee Bowen**

- Fuhrmann Engineering looked at the Michele Drive/Park drainage problem. They will present their findings at the February 10 committee meeting and then present the full findings and solutions at the February 14 board meeting.
- Re: the retention ponds for the Skinner Subdivision, John Myers contacted Greene and Bradford, Kevin Kuhn in particular, and told them the Village was not interested in accepting the responsibility for drainage. Kuhn replied, and John disagreed, that in several conversations with the village and during a board meeting the village indicated it would take control of maintenance responsibilities for the retention pond. Then Kuhn asked if the village would be open to accepting it, if the retention pond area was a park. Bowen told Myers and he agreed, the answer is no. Myers requested a copy of their subdivision covenants and also requested that they establish a homeowner's association that would be responsible for maintenance and upkeep of the retention ponds. Myers also suggested that since they had not done it, regarding the other piece of property where they other retention pond is to be located, Neala and Michelle, that they record a blanket easement that would allow the subdivision access for maintenance.

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

- We have some flooding concerns we've been dealing with the FEMA stuff, but have nothing to report yet.

- The house that burned on Washington Street, the Vick property was not deemed arson. Attorney John Myers has sent another letter stating they have so many days in which to get the property cleaned up.

### **Unfinished Business/Correspondence**

- None

### **New Business/Correspondence**

- None

### **Mayor's Comments**

- Tom Maupin once again donated his time to string the Christmas lights decorating the large evergreen tree on the village square. He received a Christmas ham as a thank you.
- The Blanton property located on the corner of Route 104 and Fourth Street has been cleaned up significantly due to the removal of scrap metal and old tires.
- Casey General Store was cited for selling alcohol to a minor during an October 27 counter enforcement test. A hearing is pending.
- President Manning read a letter received from Rich Harry, Greene and Bradford in regards to a feasibility study entitled Preliminary Investigation of the Feasibility of Pumping Virden, Divernon, and Pawnee Wastewater to the Springfield Metro Sanitary District. In part the letter stated that the Village of Pawnee would have continue operation of their existing treatment plant in order to reduce solid loadings to SMSD; the Village of Pawnee would share the capital cost of all force mains to be constructed from Virden to Springfield; each village entity would have to construct pump stations at their own cost; each village would share the cost of construction of the gravity sewer at East Lake Shore Drive, Springfield, SMSD and the City of Springfield would share half of the cost; there would be a \$400 tap fee for each customer in Pawnee paid to the SMSD; a monthly service charge, etc. plus the village would be responsible for operation and maintenance of new pump station and the force main from Pawnee to Springfield. Basically Pawnee would pay twice for treatment. The board was asked to review the letter and provide comments. President Manning stated he would contact Rich Haury for clarification.
- Utility Safety Designs (Enlow) is going to increase their retainer fee from \$100/mo to \$125/mo.
- President Manning reads letter from John Bishop, DNA Project Manager, stating as part of a map modernization effort, FEMA has hired IDNR resources to convert flood insurance rate maps used to support national flood insurance to a county wide geographic information system. Manning states as Zoning or Streets really don't know anything about this, he would like to send the village engineer to represent the village at the Scope Meeting to be held February 10 at the Sangamon County Board chambers. Trustees concur.

**Motion to Adjourn**

Motion was made by Trustee Bill Miller to adjourn the meeting.  
Second by Trustee Gudgel  
Voice Vote Taken: 5 ayes, 0 nays  
Motion Carried (5-0)

Meeting adjourned at 7:56 p.m. On Monday, January 24, 2005

Respectfully Submitted

Cynthia S. Kramer  
Village Clerk