

**Village of Pawnee
Board of Trustees
Minutes of August 23, 2004**

Call to Order

- President Manning called the meeting to order at 7:07 p.m.

Roll Call

- Village Clerk, Cynthia Kramer, called roll
- Trustees in attendance: Steve Gudgel, Tom Bowen, Phillip Thompson, Joette Manning, and Billy Miller.
- Trustees absent: Terry Woodcock [Trustee Woodcock is delayed. She arrived at 7:20 p.m.]
- Also in attendance: Police Chief Jan Bowsher, Village Treasurer Glenn Smith, Kevin Kuhn, engineer, Green and Bradford Inc., and Paul Early, Pawnee Cub Scouts

Clerk's Comments

- Minutes of August 9, 2004 were presented for review and approval.
Motion made by Trustee Gudgel to approve the minutes of August 9, 2004 as presented.
Second by Trustee Miller
Roll Call Vote Taken: Gudgel-yes, Bowen-yes, Thompson-yes, Manning-yes, and Miller-yes
Motion Carried (5-0)
- Presents report for Water Commissioner Gary Whitson: Everything is ready to go for the Village of Tovey water project. Work to begin at anytime. Central Illinois Water Operators meeting, September 16. Meeting in conjunction with golf tournament and dinner. Board members should contact Mr. Whitson if they would like to attend.

Budget Comparison/Investment Report: Village Treasurer, Glenn Smith

- July 2004 Budget Comparison & Investment Report was presented for approval.
Motion made by Trustee Gudgel to approve July 2004 Budget Comparison & Investment Report as presented.
Second by Trustee Bowen
Roll Call Vote Taken: Gudgel-yes, Bowen-yes, Thompson-yes, Manning-yes, and Miller-yes.
Motion Carried (5-0)

Recognition/Comments of Visitors

▪ Paul Early, Pawnee Cub Scouts

He passed out to all board members Cub Scout Sesquicentennial patches. He requested portions of Fourth Street and Washington Street be closed to traffic; placement of barricades by 9:00 a.m.; and the presence of one police officer for the second running of the Cub Scout Soap Box Derby to be held Saturday, September 25, 2004, from 9 a.m. until approximately 12:00 p.m. He added that additional safety measures were added this year as Troy Landrey made steel roll bars and safety harnesses for the derby vehicles. Trustees granted all requests made by Mr. Early. Continuing in the same vein, trustees also designated additional street closings for the following dates and events:

- August 28, 2004 – Fifth Street from K Layne to Doc Norris Drive, annual Fifth Street Block Party.
- September 25, 2004 – Sixth Street from Route 104 to Douglas, Police Department Car Wash
- September 26, 2004 – Portions of the square to be barricaded, Jane Rothe Benefit

▪ Kevin Kuhn, engineer, Green and Bradford Inc.

Kuhn was primarily present at the meeting in regards to the passage of the annexation ordinance pertaining to Horse Creek Subdivision. However, Street Committee Chair Tom Bowen was ready to present an ordinance pertaining to the Michele Street overlay project as well. Bowen stated four (4) sealed bids were received. Submitting bids were Truman Flatt, Illinois Valley Pavement, P.H Broughton, and Merrill Contractors, Inc. Green and Bradford recommended the Village accept the low bid of \$44,116.32, submitted by Merrill Contractors, Inc. Trustee Terry Woodcock questioned whether trustees could pass the ordinance as it was not posted on the meeting agenda. Trustee Bowen replied he spoke with village attorney John Myers regarding the matter and since the overlay project was discussed during previous board meetings as well as the bid process, trustees could approve the ordinance in question.

Motion made by Trustee Tom Bowen to approve Ordinance 04-13, an ordinance approving an agreement with Merrill Contractors, Inc. pertaining to the Michele Street overlay project, in the bid amount of \$44,116.32.

Second by Trustee Gudgel

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

Motion Carried (6-0)

Trustees then turned their attention to the annexation ordinance. After reviewing the ordinance and attached plat map Trustee Tom Bowen voiced concern that there would be only one entry/exit route into or from Plat I, the center plat and the first to be developed for Horse Creek Subdivision, for use by construction, emergency or residential vehicles, during and following the development phase of Plat I and until Plat II is developed allowing a second entry/exit route for the subdivision. Engineer Kevin Kuhn stated that he thought all issues had been worked out during previous meetings and in fact if Plat II would be developed first, it too would only have one entry/exit route, again until the second phase of development. However, once trustees reviewed the Village's own ordinance regarding Public Safety it was determined that Plat I consisting of 45 residential building lots more than met the ordinance requirements including use of cul-de-sacs, turn around lanes and at least one (1) entry/exit route for every 70 houses.

Motion made by Trustee Gudgel to approve Ordinance 04-11 annexing certain land to the Village of Pawnee, Horse Creek Subdivision-Plat I.

Second by Trustee Manning

Roll Call Vote Taken: Gudgel-yes, Bowen-yes (but with the stipulation the he does have safety concerns due to the one entry/exit route), Thompson-yes, Manning-yes, Woodcock-yes, and Miller-yes.

Motion Carried (6-0)

Gas and Water Committee Report: Committee Chairman, Trustee Manning

- The committee met August 19 with Mr. Terry to discuss his water complaint
- Gas rates will 99.7 cents per therm on Sept.1, August rates were 101.5 per therm, so rates are down slightly, 1.8 cents per therm.
- The village received 16 applications for employment, Gas Department, due to Aumiller retirement. She requests Personnel and Gas and Water Committee members to remain after the meeting to determine a time to review applications and to set interview date and times.

Park Committee Report: Committee Chair, Trustee Manning

- Was informed by park employees that new walking path is falling apart. She viewed the path, some areas are rough and need work, and as such she will call Broughton's to arrange a meeting to see what can be done.
- While not a committee issue, she brought forth an ordinance approving a lease agreement with the Pawnee Ministerial Alliance for use of the old library building.

Motion made by Trustee Manning to approve Ordinance 04-12, approving a lease with the Pawnee Ministerial Alliance.

Second by Trustee Thompson

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

Motion Carried (6-0)

Personnel & Finance Committee Report: Committee Chair, Trustee Woodcock

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

- She received sent a thank you letter from Central States Fireworks and they are proposing a three year agreement and for this they will add an additional 10 per-cent to the package each year. She will check with the attorney to see if the Village could enter into a three year agreement.

Police Committee Report: Committee Chair, Trustee Miller

- No report given

Sewer Committee Report: Committee Chair, Trustee Thompson

- Met with the Terry and Cronander family. Came to a reasonable understanding that their biggest concern was the spikes seen in the bills. The easiest solution was for them to use the village level payment plan. They were happy with that solution. However, they were still concerned as to why we would give a break to one arena and not to another. The committee will discuss this issue next committee meeting and I will bring any recommendations made to board.
- Officer Wangen still working on logos for village vehicles, the design will either be square or oval. Trustees agreed that he should have Wangen get pricing for both logos.

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

- Nothing further to report due to the approval of Ordinance 04-13

Zoning Committee Report: Committee Chair, Trustee Gudgel

- No report given

Unfinished Business/Correspondence

- None

New Business/Correspondence

- None

Mayor's Comments

- We are not going to make any quick decisions regarding the First Street property. The village spent \$1756 on dumpsters and about five full working days to clean up the property, which was money well spent.

Motion to Adjourn

Motion made by Trustee Gudgel to adjourn the meeting

Second by Trustee Bowen

Voice Vote Taken: Gudgel-yes, Bowen-yes, Thompson-yes, Manning-yes, Woodcock-yes, and Miller-yes.

Motion Carried (6-0)

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m. on Monday, August 23, 2003

Respectfully Submitted,

Cynthia S. Kramer
Village Clerk