

**VILLAGE OF PAWNEE
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Minutes of March 11, 2019**

Call to Order:

- President Clarke called the meeting to order at 7:00pm.

Roll Call:

- Village Clerk, Devona Martin, called roll
- Trustees in attendance: Cara Burnley, Patrick Murphy, David Skinner, Troy Squires
- Trustees absent: Todd Richeson, Phillip Thompson
- Also in attendance: Attorney Don Cravens, Treasurer Kelly Thein, Candy Kramer with the Pawnee Post, Chief Jan Bowsher, Gary Eby, Steve Haney, Tim Patterson, Jessica Megginson, Gary Butler, Jerry Clarke

Visitor's Recognition/Comments:

- Pawnee Youth Baseball Softball Association appeared before the Board. Although materials were purchased to treat the field last year, it was not done. Tim Patterson is now head of the PYBSA. They are trying to decide if they should go ahead and treat the field this spring or wait. They have the red dog and field dry. Steve Haney advised that to install the red dog, they have to take all the base and pitcher's mound pegs out because it raises the level of the field. He further advised, last time it took 2 days to lay it all out. Jessica Megginson advised she spoke with Chris Henneman on the procedure. He advised that although it would have been better to do it in the fall, it can still be done this spring. Basically, they have to pull the pegs; lay the clay and field conditioner; work it into the field; smoothed and drag the field; and then put the pegs back in. Their first games will be the middle to end of May. Steve advised them that people are already calling to reserve. He further advised they will need 4-5 days to prep the field. President Clarke asked if they could just do the field dry this spring and wait on the red dog and another field dry in the fall. Steve thought it would be best to do it all in September. He advised it does take a while to pull and lay the pegs as there are 3 on each base and 4 on the pitcher's mound. Jessica Megginson asked if she can check with Chris Henneman to see if there would be any benefit by just adding the conditioner. Tim Patterson advised there are 4 people here that are willing to put the time in to do it all this spring. The Village will only till in what needs tilled in and the grass mowed. Everything else is on the PYBSA. Trustee Skinner's brother-in-law took care of Divernon's field for years. President Clarke suggested they might talk to him for additional help. Agreed that they won't do anything without first talking to Gary and Steve. PYBSA will talk to all the coaches so they are aware that April 1 is the first day to reserve. Tim Patterson asked if we ever thought about putting a fence up and President Clarke advised we are not. PYBSA will take care of the fields all season long. The Village only takes care of the grass area. We will spray weeds and till whatever needs tilled. Keys are with Tim Patterson, Gary Butler, Kristi McTaggart, and Rob Wangen.

Clerk's Report:

- Minutes of February 25, 2019 were presented for review and approval.
Motion made by Trustee Skinner to approve minutes of as presented
Second made by Trustee Murphy
Roll Call Vote Taken: Burnley-yes, Murphy-yes, Skinner-yes, Squires-yes
Motion Carried: (4-0)

Personnel & Finance Committee Report: Committee Chair, Trustee Skinner

- Trustee Skinner presented the bills payable for the week ending March 11, 2019 in the amount of \$150,943.20

Motion made by Trustee Skinner to approve the bills payable in the amount of \$150,943.20 for the week ending March 11, 2019

Second made by Trustee Squires

Roll Call Vote Taken: Burnley-yes, Murphy-yes, Skinner-yes, Squires-yes

Motion Carried: (4-0)

Gas and Water Committee Report: Committee Chair, Trustee Squires

- Trustee Squires advised there were 8 shut offs for February and all are back on.
- Trustee Squires advised that there was a culvert damaged on North Cotton Hill Rd and he is going to check on that tomorrow. It needs repaired so the culverts will drain.
- Treasurer Thein discussed level pay. We have had a cold winter and there are some high balances due. We have residents on level pay and they are way behind. She thought we had a policy you can't carry over more than 4 months. Our letter says they just have to be paid by April 30, but she was not sure what the policy says. Agreed that Candy will put a statement in the paper and we will put it on our sign that residents should pay more that due in order to catch up.

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

- Trustee Murphy advised Jeff doesn't think we need to replace the dump truck.
- Trustee Murphy advised they are going to re-grade ditches on 900 N. 5th street.

Police Committee Report: Committee Chair, President Clarke

- Chief Bowsher presented her Monthly Police Report.

Motion made by Trustee Murphy

Second made by Trustee Skinner

Roll Call Vote Taken: Burnley-yes, Murphy-yes, Skinner-yes, Squires-yes

Motion Carried: (4-0)

Sewer and Parks Committee Report: Committee Chair, Trustee Thompson

- Gary Eby advised some bills are coming in right now for work done last summer. Billing has just been strung out.
- Trustee Skinner asked about the red clay. Should we pick it up and deliver it to keep them from damaging the field? Steve advised it depends on how much. If they are getting 2 tandem loads, it would take us 4-6 trips. Agreed to let them handle it.

Zoning Committee Report: Committee Chair, Trustee Burnley

- President Clarke advised that on the retirement community, through IEPA, we do not qualify for a low interest loan. The timeframe on the retirement community was 12-14mos for the application process to see if you can even get a loan for it. If they do build the retirement community, we will have to take other avenues for a loan. They have submitted their application to the Christian County Housing Authority.

Bargaining: Committee Chair, President Clarke

- No Report

Energy: Committee Chair, Trustee Burnley

- No Report

Infrastructure: Committee Chair, Trustee Richeson

- No Report

Unfinished Business:

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New Business:

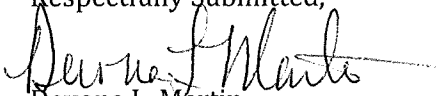
- Discussed reviewing minutes of closed meetings twice a year, minutes will be available between now and the next meeting and we will have a resolution to keep them all closed unless we have something we would like to release.

Motion to Adjourn:

- **Motion** made by Trustee Burnley to adjourn meeting.
Second made by Trustee Skinner
Roll Call Vote Taken: Burnley-yes, Murphy-yes, Skinner-yes, Squires-yes
Motion Carried: (4-0)

Meeting adjourned at 7:32pm on Monday, March 11, 2019. The next scheduled meeting of the Pawnee Village Board of Trustees is Monday, March 25, 2019 at 7:00pm at the Village Hall.

Respectfully Submitted,


Devona L. Martin
Village Clerk