

**VILLAGE OF PAWNEE
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Minutes of January 14, 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: Todd Richeson, Phillip Thompson, Cara Burnley, Patrick Murphy, David Skinner, Troy Squires
- Trustees absent: none
- Also in attendance: Treasurer Kelly Thein, Candy Kramer with the Pawnee Post, Chief Jan Bowsher, Joe Greene with Greene & Bradford, Andy Lee, Juanita Hall, Tammy Lenhart, Toni Langdon, Keshia Neal, Janet Woelber, Ed Maxey II, Jay Smith, Mary Day, Mike Neihaus with Windsor Development Group

Visitor's Recognition/Comments:

- Jay Smith with Locals appeared before the Board. He would like to have a liquor license so that if he has customers that have wine they want to sell, they can sell it. Attorney Cravens recommends adding this to the special events license. Currently, he could sell wine as long as the winery is in the limits of their license. He will check with the distributors and let us know.

Clerk's Report:

- Minutes of December 10, 2018 were presented for review and approval.
Motion made by Trustee Skinner to approve minutes of December 10, 2018 as presented
Second made by Trustee Murphy
Roll Call Vote Taken: Richeson-yes, Thompson-yes, Burnley-yes, Murphy-yes, Skinner-yes, Squires-yes,
Motion Carried: (5-0)

Personnel & Finance Committee Report: Committee Chair, Trustee Skinner

- Trustee Skinner presented the bills payable for December 12, 2018 - December 27, 2018 in the amount of \$80,071.96. This was approved at the prior meeting.
- Trustee Skinner presented the bills payable for December 28, 2018 - January 14, 2019 in the amount of \$179,533.08
Motion made by Trustee Skinner to approve the bills payable in the amount of \$179,533.08 for December 28, 2018 - January 14, 2019
Second made by Trustee Squires
Roll Call Vote Taken: Richeson-yes, Thompson-yes, Burnley-yes, Murphy-yes, Skinner-yes, Squires-yes
Motion Carried: (6-0)
- Treasurer Thein presented her Monthly Budget Comparison Report for the Month Ending November 30, 2018.
Motion made by Trustee Skinner to approve Treasurer Thein's Monthly Budget Comparison Report for the Month Ending November 30, 2018.
Second made by Trustee Richeson

Roll Call Vote Taken: Richeson-yes, Thompson-yes, Burnley-yes, Murphy-yes, Skinner-yes, Squires-yes
Motion Carried: (6-0)

Gas and Water Committee Report: Committee Chair, Trustee Squires

- Trustee Squires advised that for the month of December, there were 9 shut offs. All are back on except 2.
- Trustee Squires advised that with new pickup trucks we've bought, he thinks we should letter them with the Village of Pawnee and the department they belong to. He thought just block letters. Trustee Thompson just thought a generic logo that says Village of Pawnee for each truck without differentiating between gas, water or sewer would be sufficient. He will obtain pricing.

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

- Trustee Murphy recognized Jeff and the guys for a job well done during our recent snow storm.
- Trustee Murphy advised that a customer called with concerns that a mailbox was damaged. Their investigation determined the mailbox did not fall due to the snow plow but rather from deterioration.
- Candy Kramer advised the Board their utility box was hit in their alley and they were without cable and internet for the weekend. Trustee Murphy will have Jeff put a post with a reflector on it so they can see it during plowing.

Police Committee Report: Committee Chair, President Clarke

- Chief Bowsher presented her Monthly Police Report
Motion made by Trustee Murphy
Second made by Trustee Thompson
Roll Call Vote Taken: Richeson-yes, Thompson-yes, Burnley-yes, Murphy-yes, Skinner-yes, Squires-yes
Motion Carried: (6-0)

Sewer and Parks Committee Report: Committee Chair, Trustee Thompson

- Trustee Thompson thanked those that helped with the angel tree and further advised of the generosity of those that donated.
- Trustee Thompson advised that he has asked Gary Eby to obtain pricing of handicap swings for North Park. With Boards permission, he would like to proceed with Gary installing a handicap swing. This would be a stand alone unit.
- President Clarke is asking if anyone would be interested in someone taking over the fireworks. Trustee Burnley advised that she would take over the fireworks.
Motion made by Trustee Murphy to approve fireworks with the same funding as last year on July 3, 2019.
Second made by Trustee Burnley
Roll Call Vote Taken: Richeson-yes, Thompson-yes, Burnley-yes, Murphy-yes, Skinner-yes, Squires-yes
Motion Carried: (6-0)

Zoning Committee Report: Committee Chair, Trustee Burnley

- Trustee Burnley advised the Board that Scott and Mary Day would like to put a fence at the back of their property. Currently, the sides are enclosed by the neighbor's fences. They

would like to enclose their yard by installing a fence in the easement. It would line up with the neighbor's back fences.

Motion made by Trustee Burnley to approve Ordinance 19-01 which will allow the Days to close in their backyard by installing a fence on the easements.

Second made by Trustee Thompson

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

Motion Carried: (6-0)

- Discussed the Windsor Development Group. Trustee Burnley advised that the Zoning Board met on December 19, 2018 with Windsor Development Group. They are proposing to change from agriculture to R3 which would allow for multiple dwelling units. The Zoning Board approved this to be brought to the Village Board. Ed Maxey advised that he is concerned that they are putting these units in the 2nd newest subdivision in Pawnee. Tammy Lenhart asked what would happen 15yrs down the road if they can't keep them occupied. Trustee Richeson advised that he called the Christian County Development which is affiliated with Windsor Development Group and reviewed the rules and policies. Residents must meet the 62yrs and older age group. They also have to meet income requirements. They are monitored and the property is kept mowed. Residents pay into a fund for maintenance and upkeep. The occupancy allows for only the resident and no children or grandchildren. There is a property manager that oversees complex. They have sold 2 because they fell into disrepair. Tammy Lenhart has concerns they won't even be able to fill the occupancy of 30. A single unit has a maximum income requirement of \$33,000. A unit with double occupancy has a maximum income requirement of \$37,000. They are strict with their rules and if they don't abide, they are out. Mike Neihaus, owner of the Windsor Development Group advised they have built these in Witt and Nokomis and they have been full the whole time. They are all wheelchair accessible and all have the same floor plan.

Motion made by Trustee Burnley to approve Ordinance 19-02 – An Ordinance Rezoning Certain Property in the Village of Pawnee, Illinois (Request of Windsor Development Group). This is for a zoning change for the property on Washington Street from agriculture to R3 to allow them to further investigate

Second made by Trustee Squires

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

Motion Carried: (6-0)

- President Clarke advised that he and Joe Greene met with Mike with Windsor Development Group regarding the drainage problem. Joe Greene put together what he feels would correct the drainage problem which would cost \$1.4M. They found another option that would be \$1.1 - \$1.2 but haven't talked to any farmers. This could drain 40 acres. If they go down Washington, it could drain 110 acres. Mike would like to help but wants to know if the Board is willing to finance the remaining to correct the problem. Joe believes the storm sewers will fix the majority of the drainage problems south of 104. By upgrading this, we would be doing approx 1/3 of the storm sewers south of the railroad tracks. Joe Greene advised that in the last 30yrs, he has only worked on 2 storm sewers in Pawnee. He believes some of these storm sewers are close to 100yrs old. He further advised that the EPA currently has a low interest loan of 1.8%. Consensus was to move forward with this. Trustee Murphy asked what Mr. Neihaus is planning to contribute. He is planning to contribute \$360,000 or \$12,000/unit. He feels like this would be an economic boom as well as an improvement for the Village of Pawnee. Consensus was to start working with the EPA. Joe Greene and President Clarke will start the process.

Bargaining: Committee Chair, President Clarke

- No Report

Energy: Committee Chair, Trustee Burnley

- No Report

Infrastructure: Committee Chair, Trustee Richeson

- No Report

Unfinished Business:

- None

New Business:

- Trustee Burnley presented Resolution 19-01 – A Resolution Governing Use of Public Facilities
Motion made by Trustee Burnley to approve Resolution 19-01 – A Resolution Governing Use of Public Facilities
Second made by Trustee Thompson
Roll Call Vote Taken: Richeson-yes, Thompson-yes, Burnley-yes, Murphy-yes, Skinner-yes, Squires-yes
Motion Carried: (6-0)

Motion to Adjourn:

- **Motion** made by Trustee Thompson to adjourn meeting.
Second made by Trustee Richeson
Roll Call Vote Taken: Richeson-yes, Thompson-yes, Burnley-yes, Murphy-yes, Skinner-yes, Squires-yes
Motion Carried: (6-0)

Meeting adjourned at 8:11pm on Monday, January 14, 2019. The next scheduled meeting of the Pawnee Village Board of Trustees is Monday, January 28, 2019 at 7:00pm at the Village Hall.

Respectfully Submitted,



Devona L. Martin
Village Clerk