

**Village of Pawnee
Board of Trustees
Minutes of February 11, 2019**

Call to Order

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

Roll Call

- Deputy Clerk Cynthia Kramer called roll.
- Trustees in attendance: Todd Richeson, Phillip Thompson, Cara Burnley, Pat Murphy David Skinner and Troy Squires
- Absent: Clerk Devona Martin
- Also, in attendance: Treasurer Kelly Thein, Chief Jan Bowsher, attorney Don Craven, Sewer/Parks Supervisor Gary Eby

Recognition/Comment/s of Visitor/s

- No visitors present

Clerk's Comments

- Minutes of January 28, 2019 board meeting were presented for review and approval.
Motion made by Trustee Murphy to approve the January 28, 2019 minutes as presented.
Second by Trustee Skinner
Roll Call Vote Taken: Richeson-yes, Thompson-present, Burnley-yes, Murphy-yes, Squires-yes and Skinner-yes
Motion Carried (6-0)

Personnel & Finance Committee Report: Committee Chair, Trustee Skinner

- Bills payable presented for review and approval.
Motion made by Trustee Skinner to approve Bills Payable of \$169,805.20 (half of which is for gas)
Second by Trustee Squires
Roll Call Vote Taken: Richeson-yes, Thompson-yes, Burley-yes, Murphy-yes, Skinner-yes and Squires-yes
Motion Carried (6-0)

Gas and Water Committee Report: Committee Chair, Trustee Squires

- Everything running nice and smooth right now.
- Canham Graphics will put lettering decals on village utility trucks Feb. 20
- Mayor Clarke asks if a developer builds a new subdivision in Pawnee, must developer put in asphalt streets?
He thinks that the village can no longer afford that because the initial cost is to the developer, however, at some point the street/s become Village property, owned by the village. From that point on the village must carry the cost to maintain, repair or resurface the asphalted streets. He noted that labor and material cost to resurface asphalt streets has gone through the roof. The cost is in the hundreds of thousands of dollars and the village still has three more streets in Clairshire to do, not to mention the streets of University Heights, University Heights II and the new Horse Creek Subdivision. The board briefly discussed past reasoning for requiring asphalt streets, questioned if the village should go to oil and chip, but with several trustees stating they did not want to lose concrete curbs and gutters. Attorney Craven stated the village could issue a variance now, but if they want to amend the village ordinance, they should meet with Village engineer Joe Greene in order to lay down specs for any changes wanted.

Police Committee Report: Committee Chair, Mayor Clarke

- The Monthly Police Report was submitted by Chief Bowsher for review and approval.
Motion made by Trustee Murphy to approve the Monthly Police Report as presented.
Second by Trustee Thompson
Roll Call Vote Taken: Richeson-yes, Thompson-yes, Burnley-yes, Murphy-yes, Skinner-yes and Squires-yes
Motion Carried (6-0)
- During a verbal report Chief Bowsher added that she attended an Executive Development Course Jan. 31-Feb. 1; Officer Burnley attended Security Assessor training Feb. 4-8; Officer Ross received a donation of two Ballistic Shields from Venture Ballistic-one will go to the school; Officers Morgan and Cronister to graduate May 14, 2019

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

- Nothing really to report as things are going well.

Sewer and Parks Committee Report: Committee Chair, Trustee Thompson

- Gary Eby: The village just purchased a new pump for the 104 Lift Station. As the village does not have the means to pull the pump, Bodine Electric will be out this week to pull it. Just for trustee information this lift station takes three pumps; they are all old, all put in at the same time. If pump/s need to be replaced, the cost is around \$25,000 per pump.
- New mower: The village received two bids for a 60" Diesel Exmark/same package with only a \$300 difference between the two \$12,000 plus bids. Trustee Thompson made a motion to accept one of the bids, but rescinded when Trustee Pat Murphy stated he would like to check with the state in reference to government contracts including, but not limited to: IL CMS, Federal G.S.A and Northwestern Suburban Municipal Cooperative Bid. The matter was tabled until the next board meeting.
- Budget: Trustee Thompson stated an employee is considering retirement, however, due to unused time, that employee may not work the entire year. As such, there is a need for a half year transition and he has requested an FTD in budget.
- Parks: Still working on getting a handicapped swing for North Park installation. However, it is going to take longer to bring to fruition, as there are a lot of regulations such as access, location, surround, distance from parking lot, etc. to be determined. This project has to be done right and done right the first time. Cara Burnley will be taking over the annual Fourth of July Fireworks display. She has received music from Thompson, but due to his heavy travel schedule for work, he may not be able to help her with the event as much as first anticipated.

Zoning Committee Report: Committee Chair, Trustee Burnley

- Regarding the property/house that the committee has been discussing and continues to discuss, there is a difference between looking like and actually falling down.

Bargaining Committee Report: Committee Chair, President Clarke

- The Union will begin work for contract talks April 30.

Energy Committee Report: Committee Chair, Trustee Burnley

- No report

Infrastructure Committee Report: Committee Chair, Trustee Richeson

- No report

New Business

- Rise Broadband fka Computer Techniques, Inc. notified the village by letter that it will terminate its lease agreement with the Village effective at the end of the current term, July 12, 2019.
Motion made by Trustee Murphy to accept stated termination date.
Second by Trustee Thompson
Roll Call Vote Taken: Richeson-yes, Thompson-yes, Burnley-yes, Murphy-yes, Skinner-yes and Squires-yes
Motion Carried (6-0)

Unfinished Business/Correspondence

- In the interim between the previous village board meeting and the current meeting, the furnace went out in the adjoining building, formerly housing the police department. With frigid temperature and upon query trustees agreed to purchase a replacement from Weidner Refrigeration, Divernon for the Weidner quote of \$5869.80.
Motion made by Trustee Skinner to purchase replacement furnace from Weidner for an amount not to exceed \$6000.
Second by Trustee Thompson
Roll Call Vote Taken: Richeson-yes, Thompson-yes, Burnley-yes, Murphy-yes, Skinner-yes and Squires-yes
Motion Carried (6-0)

Mayor's Report/Comments

- Meeting Date Changes: Monday, May 27th (Memorial Day) meeting is changed to Tuesday, May 28th and the Monday, November 11th (Veteran's Day) meeting is changed to Tuesday, November 12th.
- Committee Changes: Due to a conflict of interest issue, Trustee Pat Murphy will no longer serve on the Bargaining Committee and will be replaced by Trustee Troy Squires.

Motion to Adjourn

Motion made by Trustee Murphy to adjourn the meeting

Second by Trustee Thompson

Voice Vote Taken: Ayes-6, Nays-0

Motion Carried (6-0)

Meeting adjourned at 7:35 p.m. on Monday, February 11, 2018. The next scheduled meeting of the Pawnee Village Board of Trustees is Monday, February 25, 2019 at the Pawnee Village Hall.

Respectfully Submitted

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Cynthia S. Kramer".

Cynthia S. Kramer
Deputy Clerk