

**VILLAGE OF PAWNEE
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Minutes of March 24, 2014**

Call to Order:

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

Roll Call:

- Village Clerk, Devona Martin, called roll
- Trustees in attendance: Garry Whitson, Cara Burnley, Steve Condon, David Skinner, President Clarke
- Trustees absent: Thompson, Gleason
- Also in attendance: Chief Bowsher, Treasurer Kelly Thein, Andy Lee, Stan Travelstead, Freddie Whitson, Josh and Jessica Leach, Scott Day

Visitor's Recognition/Comments:

- Freddie Whitson appeared before the Board to provide an update on Otter Lake. They are currently obtaining easements from the old Panhandle to Dowson Road.
- Freddie Whitson would like to see something done with the trash behind Locals. She indicated that it overflows and blows into their yard. It happened 3 times in the last week. Jessica Leach, owner of Locals advised that she will check into it. She stated that their dumpster is dumped twice per week, Mondays and Thursdays. She'll see if they can dump it again.
- Josh and Jessica Leach appeared before the Board to ask that another liquor license be created. They are planning to open a gaming parlor at their old Locals building. It would open at 6am and close when the liquor license expires. They would not have a full blown bar. They would serve coffee, soda and a few alcoholic drinks. The thought behind the idea is that the gaming machines are bringing in revenue and they are legal. They have noticed that there are some older couples that are not comfortable in the bar scene. Discussed Ordinance 14-04 - An Ordinance Pertaining to Liquor Control and Amending the Code of Ordinances of the Village of Pawnee for the property at 613 7th Street, Pawnee, IL. If this does not go through, there will be no liquor license created.
Motion made by Trustee Burnley to accept Ordinance 14-04 - An Ordinance Pertaining to Liquor Control and Amending the Code of Ordinances of the Village of Pawnee
Second made by Trustee Whitson
Roll Call Vote Taken: Whitson-yes, Burnley-yes, Condon-yes, Skinner-yes
Motion Carried: (4-0)
- Stan Travelstead appeared before the Board to review the employee life ins., dental and vision. He reviewed our current plan with Principal and 3 other plans.
Motion made by Trustee Skinner that we renew with Principal
Second by Trustee Condon
Roll Call Vote Taken: Whitson-yes, Burnley-yes, Condon-yes, Skinner-yes
Motion Carried: (4-0)
- Scott Day appeared before the Board. He is still awaiting the quote on the new siren. He indicated that he spoke with Buck Picket. Mr. Picket can service each siren for \$79 each. That does not include any repairs. Consensus was to proceed with servicing. Scott also advised that they can purchase weather radios for \$24.90 each with a purchase of 100. The thought is to pass this on to the residents on a pre-order basis.

Clerk's Report:

- Minutes of March 10, 2014 were presented for review and approval.
Motion made by Trustee Condon to approve minutes of March 10, 2014 as presented
Second made by Trustee Skinner
Roll Call Vote Taken: Whitson-yes, Burnley-present, Condon-yes, Skinner-yes, Clarke-yes
Motion Carried: (5-0)

Personnel & Finance Committee Report: Committee Chair, Trustee Skinner

- Trustee Skinner advised the Board that the bills payable for the week ending March 24, 2014 totaled \$32,135.85
Motion made by Trustee Skinner to approve bills payable for the week ending March 24, 2014 in the amount of \$32,135.85
Second made by Trustee Condon
Roll Call Vote Taken: Whitson-yes, Burnley-yes, Condon-yes, Skinner-yes
- Treasurer Thein presented her Monthly Budget Comparison Report for the month ending February 28, 2014
Motion made by Trustee Skinner to approve Treasurer Thein's Monthly Budget Comparison Report for the month ending February 28, 2014
Second made by Trustee Condon
Roll Call Vote Taken: Whitson-yes, Burnley-yes, Condon-yes, Skinner-yes
Motion Carried: (4-0)
- Treasurer Thein advised that the Police Department copier is very outdated and does not meet the needs of the department. She spoke with Tom Day and he has provided an estimate for a refurbished color/copier with all supplies for \$3,995 or \$136/mo for 36 months with \$.075/color copy and \$.009/black and white copy. We are currently spending \$119 for toner and they go through 2 toners per month. Consensus was to proceed.

Gas and Water Committee Report: Committee Chair, Trustee Whitson

- Trustee Whitson recognized Andy Lee and the guys for removing the old hydrants. Trustee Condon asked about the secondary water lines that run around the Village. Andy Lee advised this 10" line runs from the water tower down 10th Street to Rutledge; down to Adams and to Monroe; around and down Jefferson Street to Black Diamond. Then up to Cotton Hill and down to Davis Road; back to 4th Street; in front of the Village plant; to Michelle Drive; to Assembly of God Church and back to the water tower. He suggests hooking onto these lines instead of installing new lines. He also advised the Board that we have some old transite lines that we utilize. These lines have asbestos. The EPA regulates this and he is required to submit samples periodically. He thinks that eventually we will have to replace these lines. It is his recommendation to replace these lines instead of the cast iron lines. Discussed the meters. Andy estimates probably another \$80,000 to upgrade the remainder of our meter system. He would like us to replace as much as possible. He will add this to his budget. The readers are \$22,000 each. We currently have 3.

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

- Trustee Condon advised that they are continuing to add gravel to the alleys.

Police Committee Report: Committee Chair, Trustee Gleason

- Chief Bowsher advised that the hummer is almost completed.
- Chief Bowsher advised that she was off last week with a knee injury. She has been released this week.

- Chief Bowsher asked if it was ok to put “no guns” signs on the Village offices and the local bars. It is illegal to conceal carry in government buildings and bars. Consensus was to proceed.

Sewer and Parks Committee Report: Committee Chair, Trustee Thompson

- Andy Lee advised that Gary Eby would like to eliminate Armark due to increasing prices. They service our rugs and shop towels. Consensus was to proceed.

Zoning Committee Report: Committee Chair, Trustee Burnley

- No report

Unfinished Business:

- none

New Business:

- President Clarke discussed the fireworks fundraiser Trivia Night. It was originally scheduled for April 26; however, that is the same night as the tumbling recitals. They are considering changing the date to May 10.
- Candy Kramer advised that the Library will now be offering e-books. They are also going to subscribe to Ancestry.com. You must have a Library card to take advantage of either service.

Motion to Adjourn:

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

Meeting adjourned at 8:03pm on Monday, March 24, 2014. The next scheduled meeting of the Pawnee Village Board of Trustees is Monday, April 14, 2014 at 7:00pm at the Village Hall.

Respectfully Submitted,

Devona L. Martin
Village Clerk