

Minutes of the Regular Meeting
Board of Trustees
Village of Forreston
Monday, October 2, 2017

President Mark Metzger calls to order the regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Forreston at 7:02 PM on October 2, 2017 and recites the Pledge of Allegiance. On roll call by Courtney Warren the following members are present: Trustees Jeff Freeze, Tim Drayton, Vickye Norris, Gary Buss, Ken Toms and Ken Vinnedge.

The minutes of the regular meeting of Monday, September 18, 2017 are considered for approval. Trustee Freeze makes a motion to approve the minutes as presented, second by Trustee Drayton. Yeas: Trustees Freeze, Drayton, Norris, Buss, Toms and Vinnedge. Motion carries.

Metzger asks for public comment. Ron Bickford at 311 S Walnut Ave has several issues he would like addressed:

- He states he granted an easement for the storm sewer years ago and ever since he has had water problems in his basement to the extent that his pumps can't keep up. He thinks it might help alleviate the problem to look at going further south with the sewer. Right now it all bottlenecks and fills his yard in and eventually the house. The Board would like Alan to have a look at it.
- He also states the sidewalk to the north is part of the problem. He thinks if that was fixed it would also possibly alleviate some of the problem.
- He states he received a letter this summer regarding an ordinance violation and he was wondering if others received the same type of letter and if there is any follow up. He is concerned with the property at 501 S Ash Ave. Chief Boomgarden states they have been in contact with the Police Department and are currently working to clean it up. It is a slow process but there has been progress.
- Lastly, Bickford asks if there has been any discussion about getting a sidewalk out to Dollar General. President Metzger replies it has been discussed but nothing yet decided.

Sharon Pepin from Community Planning & Funding Services reports the BDD will take effect January 1st, 2018. Everything has been sent to the Department of Revenue and she also sent a copy to Village Hall. They will be sending back a list of businesses that need to be verified.

Pepin states she and Metzger met with the School Board a few weeks ago and gave a little introduction to TIF information. Both Metzger and Pepin felt like it went pretty well and there was a good exchange of information. There is not much update on the TIF at this point. There should be more at the next meeting.

Toms presents a building permit for Dylan Wittig at 405 W Birch St. Toms spoke with Alan about this property and states he would like Alan to go out and show Dylan where the pins are. Motion by Toms to approve the permit after Mr. Wittig meets with Alan, second by Freeze. Yeas: Trustees Freeze, Drayton, Norris, Buss, Toms and Vinnedge. Motion carries.

Vinnedge presents a water service connection permit for Tyler Vogt at 309 N Locust. He is requesting a 3/4 inch line at a residential rate. The property is zoned Manufacturing but he will not be using the water for commercial purposes. He also states he will help with trenching and such at his cost. There is a little discussion about where to tap on at. Motion by Vinnedge to approve the permit pending payment of the residential rate of \$650.00, second by Buss. Yeas: Trustees Drayton, Norris, Buss, Toms and Vinnedge. No: Freeze. Motion carries.

The claims list is considered for approval. Motion by Toms to approve the claims as presented in the amount of \$112,743.83, second by Freeze. Yeas: Trustees Freeze, Drayton, Norris, Buss, Toms and Vinnedge. Motion carries.

Vinnedge states he still needs to get with Winter Construction to see about getting an estimate from a mason. He also reports Loescher will be coming out this week to replace the furnace.

A Law Enforcement Update from Police Chief Mike Boomgarden is reviewed for activity from September 19, 2017 through October 2, 2017.

Superintendent of Public Works Alan Cruthis gives a report of his department from September 18, 2017 through October 2, 2017.

Metzger reports Cypress Creek would like to address the Board at the next meeting. They have a power point presentation they would like to show. Metzger suggests we hold the next Board meeting at the Library to accommodate their needs. Norris states she will check into reserving it tomorrow.

Metzger also reports Pearl Valley Eggs insurance company contacted us and looks like they are willing to pay the full amount of the estimate. Vinnedge states we probably never should have called our insurance company in the first place. The Board agrees we should wait until the final invoice comes in and send it to Pearl Valley.

Toms reports the Planning Commission met earlier this evening to discuss the variance for the McKean property on 5th Ave. He states they voted to recommend approval. Motion by Toms to approve the variance request for Danny McKean at 602 S 5th Ave, second by Freeze. Yeas: Trustees Freeze, Drayton, Norris, Toms and Vinnedge. No: Buss. Motion carries.

Motion by Toms to approve the building permit for the garage addition for Danny McKean at 602 S 5th Ave., second by Freeze. Yeas: Trustees Freeze, Drayton, Norris, Toms and Vinnedge. No: Buss. Motion carries.

Motion by Drayton to adjourn, second by Toms. All are in favor for adjournment.

Meeting is adjourned at 8:07 PM.

Courtney Warren-Village Clerk