

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
VILLAGE OF PHILO, ILLINOIS  
May 11, 2011

The meeting was called to order by President Pro Tem Larry Franks at 7.05 p.m. at the R.E. Franks Meeting Center in the Eileen Painter room.

ROLL CALL: Present-Trustees Sappenfield, Pioletti and Brady. Absent-Trustee Mumma.

SWEARING IN: Clerk Kirby swore in the elected officials: Franks, Brady, Garrett and Pioletti. Rachael Garrett then took her seat on the Board.

GUESTS: Paul Hendren, Dave Phillippe, Rod Schweighart, Dick Rice, Joseph Garrett, Meagan Miller, R. J. Daly, Brett Stillwell, Leo Clennon, Herschel Hammerschmidt, William Bolger, Dustin Reifsteck, Chris Payne, Sue and Dave Laker, Christina Walsh, Susan Helmink and Dave Traxler.

MINUTES: Trustee Pat Pioletti made a motion, seconded by Trustee Sappenfield, to approve the meeting minutes of April 13, 2011. Voice vote; all "ayes," motion carried unanimously.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE: Trustee Pioletti made a motion, seconded by Trustee Paul Brady, to approve the accounts payable as presented. Roll call vote; "aye's", Trustees Sappenfield, Franks, Pioletti, Garrett and Brady. Motion carried unanimously.

LAKER: Nothing

DICK RICE: Dick explained he was present as a representative of the Bob Rice Estate and stated Bob remembered the Village of Philo in his Last Will and Testament. This provision is to give and devise the Village of Philo the real estate upon which is located the Post Office, the open lawn (to the west) and the lease to the Post Office. The condition also states the continuance to lease to the Post Office, if circumstances evolve where the postal service requires and acquires other real estate, the property may be sold by the Village, but can only retain 20% of the proceeds and 80% would be rolled back to the Trust for the benefit of the family. Dick Rice believes the lease expires next year. Attorney Paul Hendren suggested the Board pass a motion to accept the bequest. President Eckert and Clerk Kirby will sign the Entry of Appearance document and return one copy to Paul Hendren. Trustee Sappenfield made a motion, seconded by Trustee Franks to accept the bequest from the Estate of Robert Rice. Roll call vote; "aye's", Trustees Sappenfield, Franks, Pioletti, Garrett and Brady. Motion carried unanimously.

DUSTIN REIFSTECK: Dustin was a member of the Philo Fall Festival and indicated Alta Tarter asked him to put together some bands for the next festival. He received really good quotes from the Feuding Hillbillies and Brush Fire. Dustin stated there will be a cover charge within the beer tent and no charge outside of the tent. The group will work the liquor license the same way, either using the Tavern's license or need a one day, Class D license from the Village. President Pro Tem LR Franks said it sounds like "a go."

R.J. DALY: Bob said he is getting ready to buy property, just waiting for railroad paperwork and then will go through Champaign County Health Department which could take 4-6 weeks. He noted his liquor license is due end of the month.

VILLAGE ENGINEER: Dave Phillippe asked Brett Stillwell to update the Board on the brick project for the REFMC. Brett stated the bids were reviewed, indicating some were incomplete and provided the Board with a summary of the bids. Brett has not worked with R.L. but Trustee Pioletti is familiar with

them. Their price to tuck point entire building while on site was \$48,650.00. Village resident R. J. Daly felt even not the lowest bid, should go with the Philo contractor that bid the project. Attorney Hendren commented, generally speaking, usually just because more local not a reason to accept their bid. Trustee Pioletti said R.L. was lowest bidder. Pat commented on their work for Urbana, saying they were easy to work with, got the job done, and had nothing bad to say about R. L. Contractors. Trustee Pioletti said you can't put a dollar amount on local work. Trustees Franks and Pioletti thought the Village should approve the bid from R. L. Contractors for their base bid and Alternate #1. Trustee Garrett asked if their work is guaranteed. Brett said typically there is a 9 month period, after the work is completed, of material and labor. Susan Helmink was concerned about paint color matching if the entire gym isn't painted. Brett said they will use paint chips at different places to ensure a good color match. Trustee Paul Brady made a motion, seconded by Trustee Pat Pioletti to approve the bid from R.L. Construction in the amount of \$18,400.00 to complete the work using Alternate #1. Roll call vote; "aye's" Trustees Sappenfield, Franks, Pioletti, Garrett and Brady. Motion passed unanimously.

The work can start almost immediately, will need to get scaffolding. When Susan asked about any impact on the rental schedule, Trustee Pioletti indicated the project will be adjusted to the rental schedule. The work should be completed by August 15<sup>th</sup>. Brett Stillwell will prepare the contract and send to Paul Hendren.

MFT: Dave Phillippe said the paperwork was submitted and had a verbal okay. There will be public bidding on MFT street work. Since the sidewalk work is less than \$20,000 it can either be let for bid or the Village could negotiate. Dave P. just needs direction from the Board. The Board agreed both should go out for bid and noted the requirement that the engineer must be present during the sidewalk work. Trustee Pioletti made a motion, seconded by Trustee Sappenfield, to approve the 2011 MFT work as presented. Roll call vote; "aye's" Trustees Sappenfield, Franks, Pioletti, Garrett and Brady. Motion passed unanimously.

Dave P. indicated he has reviewed the plat submitted by Rod Schweighart and forwarded it to the Chairman of the Plan Commission. He has not received a report from Robert Moore, but when received, Dave P. will get together with the Chairman of the Plan Commission.

The Board asked if he was apprised of the work on West Monroe. Dave P. indicated he was not, but said he could attend the meeting with the County and Dave Traxler. The work is to include large box culverts and then soil to fill in the ditch area on the south side of West Monroe.

TREASURER REPORT: Rod Schweighart presented his monthly report and noted he and Clerk Kirby will be meeting with Stan Feller.

ATTORNEY HENDREN: Paul discussed the lease he prepared for the Village property at 120 W. Washington, noting areas that need to be completed on page 2. #2, page 3 #6 and an address for Mr. Patel. Mr. Hendren also stated a one month damage deposit is provided in the lease and if the Board agreed, a motion to approve the lease should be made and then the Village officials would sign after. Trustee Pioletti made a motion, seconded by Trustee Sappenfield to approve the lease between Mr. Patel and the Village for 120 W. Washington St. Roll call vote; "aye's" Trustees Sappenfield, Franks, Pioletti, Garrett and Brady. Motion passed unanimously.

Dick and Don Rice are co-executors of the Robert Rice Estate and Paul stated he is the attorney for the estate. He explained the Village will need to sign the acceptance later noting Bob had a concern and affection for the Village of Philo. Paul clarified the Entry of Appearance document to the Board. Trustee

Franks made a motion, seconded by Trustee Pioletti to authorize the Village officers to sign the Entry of Appearance in regard to Bob Rice's estate. Roll call vote; "aye's" Trustees Sappenfield, Franks, Pioletti, Garrett and Brady. Motion passed unanimously. Don Rice indicated Paul Hendren has a copy of the lease.

Mr. Hendren reminded the Board that the appropriation information for 2011-2012 should be reviewed by the Trustees in June and forwarded to his office to allow him time to prepare the Appropriations Ordinance and have it acted on at the July meeting.

DAVE TRAXLER: Dave reported they have been working on the burn pile and are hoping to have it ready this month. They had about 8 loads of brush on the 1<sup>st</sup>. He has been working on the streets and collected the old sidewalk bricks from Khachaturian's. The brick is on pallets, shrink wrapped and stored at the Village shed. The Board commented that the sidewalks at the Weller residence look good where he cleaned off the grass.

Dave T. said he is waiting for an answer from the Township about the approval to loan the Village some equipment for street repair.

Trustee Franks asked if there were any drainage problems at Forrest's or Stacey's after the big rains. Dave T. indicted everything there is okay. Dave T. plans to have D.J. Stewart check the catch basin at Van Buren and McKinley and he will also check the culvert at Cleveland.

OLD BUSINESS:

Survey information is on hold, since President Eckert is absent.

Trustee Pioletti reported the Village has not yet received a check for the lighting grant and that he will continue to check on it.

Susan Helmink presented information in regard to replacing the current fax machine. Our copier can be adapted to include fax capabilities for \$356.00 and a new fax machine is \$400.00. Trustee Sappenfield made a motion, seconded by Trustee Pioletti to approve the purchase of a fax panel for our copier. Roll call vote; "aye's" Trustees Sappenfield, Franks, Pioletti, Garrett and Brady. Motion passed unanimously. The copier is under a maintenance contract that is based on the number of copies.

Susan Helmink stated that Craig was going to contact the Boy Scout leader, Earl Martin.

NEW BUSINESS:

The REFMC report was reviewed. Susan commented that the REFMC is now listed in the phone book.

The Finance Committee will schedule a meeting to determine appropriations for the 2011-12 fiscal year.

Trustee Pioletti made a motion, seconded by Trustee Franks to approve a donation, not to exceed \$2,500.00 to the Philo Park Association. Roll call vote; "aye's" Trustees Sappenfield, Franks, Pioletti, Garrett and Brady. Motion passed unanimously. Trustee Brady asked about the number of kids that participate. Trustee Sappenfield said they have 169 kids, down 23 from last year with 9 from Sidney. Steve added that the children must live in the Township to participate.

MISCELLANEOUS DISCUSSION:

Trustee Brady: Paul shared that graffiti was found on the fence at the Socha property. He called President Eckert and Craig told him he would point this out to the sheriff's office. Chris Payne offered to look at it, since she is aware of various gang signs.

Trustee Garrett: Nothing

Trustee Pioletti: Nothing

Clerk Kirby: Nothing

Trustee Sappenfield: Nothing

Trustee Franks: Nothing

Trustee Pioletti moved to adjourn the meeting. Voice vote; all "aye's," meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

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VILLAGE CLERK

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