

**Village of Milledgeville
County of Carroll
State of Illinois**

Minutes from a Regular Meeting held December 5, 2016

A Regular Meeting was held at the Village Hall in Milledgeville and Called to Order at 7:30 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and Roll was Called with the following Trustees responding "Here", Bill Stage, Gene Behrens, John Helms, Bryan Trotter and Wayne Sprecher.

Others Present: Jim Haag, Dean Hollewell, Jeff Hackbarth and Chris Shores.

MOTION was made by Stage, sec. by Trotter to approve the Minutes from the November 21, 2016 Regular and Special Board Meetings. Motion carried (5-0) by omnibus vote.

MOTION was made by Stage, sec. by Sprecher, to pay all current bills as presented. Motion carried (5-0) by omnibus vote.

Old Business: The Board went over Chapter 14 of the Ordinance book with no changes being made.

New Business: Galen asked how the Board felt about getting a petition to see how many people would be interested in a new Casey's building. He said they aren't currently thinking about building and this may get them more interested in the idea. Wayne Sprecher asked if it was our place and Galen said he didn't think it would hurt. He said he could type up something at home and put it at the Village Hall and Casey's to see if people are interested. Stage and Behrens said it is still serving its purpose but agreed it would be nice to have more room for semis to get fuel and to help with traffic congestion. Behrens asked where a new one would be and Galen said the Industrial Park would be ideal for it.

The underground tank was next on the agenda. The dirt that was taken out of the area has been cleared for disposal. Christy is waiting for an e-mail with the number we need on it for disposal at the landfill. We should have it by tomorrow and then Jeff and Chris can get the dirt moved at their convenience. Christy said it will cost us a one-time disposal fee of \$50.00 and \$25.88 per ton to dispose of the dirt. We can haul it ourselves though.

Galen said he put on the agenda discussion on owner/residency of a bar in town. He said he later found out that our Ordinance is mirrored after the State law and we can't change it. A person asked him to see if anything could be done about the Ordinance saying a bar owner needs to be a resident on the Village or incorporate. The gentleman lives in the country and would need to Incorporate. He doesn't necessarily want to if there is another way. Haag had told him what he needed to do but he was wondering if there was anything the Board could do. There isn't.

Committee Reports: Gary Geirnaeirt was not present; John Helms had nothing at this time. Stage wanted to introduce the new street, alley and water employee we hired. Chris Shores was present and introduced to the couple of Trustees he wasn't familiar with. His first day of work was December 5, 2016. Stage said the sidewalk and water looping projects are basically done for the year. We have grass seed to plant next year but Jeff put up the stop signs and has plowed snow over the weekend. Greg did step in and help with the plowing though. Stage said he also talked with Polhills about a new mower. He

said this one is out of warranty and would like to get back to keeping the mower within warranty. He also said we should think about replacing the skid loader soon.

Any Other Business: Galen informed the Board that Jim Haag found the new chairs at the Board table and they were free. He thanked Jim and asked the Trustees if they wanted to keep the old wood chairs. Stage and others agreed that we should keep them for use in the Village Hall. Galen also wanted to let the Trustees know that Brown Construction gave us the beautiful poinsettia plant at the Village Hall. He saw and thanked them also.

Galen said he received a letter from Larry at Moring Disposal asking Galen to have a meeting to discuss the recycling question. Galen said he thinks he's a little upset that the Village extended the Wiersema Waste contract without putting it up for bid and now we want to use them for recycling. Galen said he will meet with him and he also asked Mark Wiersema to join them.

Galen informed the Trustees that we had a meeting about the interior roads for the Industrial Parks the other day. Willett Hofmann Inc. will be the engineers for the turn lane portion of the project and Wendler Engineering will engineer the interior roads.

He also told the Board that he asked Brown Construction to see if they could get us the bills for the water looping and sidewalk project. They didn't get it done before this meeting but it will be here for the bills posted on the 19th of December.

Bryan Trotter asked about the railing by the FBFM building. Galen said Shanks had a bunch of jobs they had to get done and hopefully they will have time to do it then.

Galen went over an Ordinance the Village need to do for travel, meal and lodging expenses. They decided to go with rates off the current IRS website for the set refundable amounts. Christy is to have it ready for the January 2, 2017 meeting.

Galen also gave a reminder that there will be no meeting on the 19th.

With no further business, MOTION was made by Stage, sec. by Trotter to adjourn at 8:07 p.m.

Approved Minutes Taken By
Christine A. Ottens, Village Clerk