

Village of Princeville
Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting
October 17, 2023 7:00 PM

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Roll Call

Roll call showed the following board members were physically present: President Troutman, Trustee Delbridge, Trustee Peterson, Trustee Gilroy, Trustee Pope, Trustee Schoenbeck and Trustee Potter

A quorum was present for the meeting.

Other Village members physically present: Superintendent of Public Works, Chad Gardner; Treasurer, Julie Delbridge; MCO Sullivan; and Clerk, Sarah Cordis

Others present: Deputy Cogdal; Nick Vlahos - The Weekly Post; Lynda Stone

Public Comment Period

None.

Police Report

Deputy Cogdal distributed a 2022 vs. 2023 report and traffic stop report. The timeframe of the report was January 1 – October 16. The reports are those that only took place within the Village of Princeville, during the contracted time a Deputy was in town. The traffic stops were anytime, not just those that took place during contracted hours. For example, Deputy did some traffic stops after school.

In 2022, between January and October there were 32 reports. (11 crime, 20 non-crime, 1 accident and 3 arrests)

In 2023, between January and October there have been 41 reports so far. (13 crime, 26 non-crime, 2 accidents, and 6 arrests)

In 2022, between January and October there were 141 total reports.

In 2023, between January and October there have been 162 total reports.

In 2022, between January and October there were 26 traffic stops, 11 during contract time, with 2 people cited, 1 was a pedestrian.

In 2023, between January and October there have been 92 traffic stops, 92 during contract hours, with 7 people cited.

Deputy Cogdal heard there has been someone stealing bicycles. He drove around town one night and counted 39 bicycles laying out, sitting out or along the side of the road. A reminder to put items away, lock doors, turn lights on and call the police to report anything. By calling the police, it mandates that someone respond.

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer Delbridge reported that there are five CDs coming due in October at the Princeville State Bank. One has matured and received a higher percentage rate.

Any Action Regarding the Treasurer's Report.

Trustee Pope made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report. Trustee Delbridge seconded the motion.

Yeas: Trustee Delbridge, Trustee Peterson, Trustee Gilroy, Trustee Pope, Trustee Schoenbeck and Trustee Potter

Nays: None

President Troutman declared the motion as carried.

Paying Additional Bills

Trustee Delbridge asked Superintendent what a water hammer arrestor pipe was.

Trustee Delbridge made a motion to approve the bills in the amount of \$105,612.64. Trustee Schoenbeck seconded the motion.

Yeas: Trustee Delbridge, Trustee Peterson, Trustee Gilroy, Trustee Pope, Trustee Schoenbeck and Trustee Potter

Nays: None

President Troutman declared the motion as carried.

Municipal Code Officer's Report

MCO Sullivan thanked Deputy Cogdal for his communication and cooperation. He appreciates what Deputy Cogdal has assisted him with.

MCO Sullivan reviewed his report.

The property at 116 Douglas is an empty property and will probably end up going to court to get a warrant to remove vehicles.

The property at 212 South St. will likely have inoperable vehicles towed soon.

The property at 335 S. Tremont Street looks like the resident just walked away. The house and garage are full of stuff, vehicles, debris, etc. MCO Sullivan is working on this property, and is hopeful the Village could sell it down the road.

Trustee Delbridge asked about house on Tremont, across from the square - west of town square, as it has tall grass, and is not being kept up. MCO Sullivan will take a look at it.

The Village did receive payment for the Evans Street property, across from the high school, that the Village cleaned up.

MCO Sullivan is hoping to have a meeting with the family of the Alcoa property at the end of the month. Trustee Delbridge stated that the Village's property committee needed to be involved/included. Trustee Peterson agrees, as does President Troutman.

Any Action Regarding Committee Reports.

The Property committee will be present at the meeting between MCO Sullivan and the family of the Alcoa Property. MCO Sullivan will let the committee know when that meeting is scheduled.

Consider and Vote to Approve an Ordinance Providing for the Annexation of Certain Property Owned by T&T Storage LLC and Bethany Young

President Troutman said this is property on the North end of town, where Greenfield is purchasing property. This annexation will be a part of TIF IV once it is created. IDOT will get notified as some of the signage along the highway will need to be moved further north.

Trustee Gilroy made a motion to approve an Ordinance Providing for the Annexation of Certain Property Owned by T&T Storage LLC and Bethany Young. Trustee Delbridge seconded the motion.

Yeas: Trustee Delbridge, Trustee Peterson, Trustee Gilroy, Trustee Pope, Trustee Schoenbeck and Trustee Potter

Nays: None

President Troutman declared the motion as carried.

Committee Reports

Trustee Pope reported that the health committee met to review the health insurance options present by The Wyman Group. New hires can choose from an HMO or PPO plan, but would need to stay with that plan for an entire year, until open enrollment the next year.

Any Further Action Regarding Committee Reports

Trustee Pope made a motion to approve the proposed Blue Cross, Blue Shield plan, totaling \$98,802.36, presented by The Wyman Group, for 2024 year. Trustee Schoenbeck seconded the motion.

Yeas: Trustee Peterson, Trustee Gilroy, Trustee Pope, Trustee Schoenbeck and Trustee Potter

Abstain: Trustee Delbridge

Nays: None

President Troutman declared the motion as carried.

Superintendent Gardner will have employees sign their letters by end of October.

Past Due Water Bill Review

The past due list was reviewed.

Building Permits

- 219 E. High St – Tore off porch to put new porch on.
- 319 S. Santa Fe – New footings, decking and rails on front porch.
- 408 N. Town – Demo of garage and add garage.

Report from the Superintendent of Public Works

- Water plant is running smoothly.
- Handrails – final bill came in and was paid as part of the invoices tonight.
- Christmas decorations – getting them out and ready to go. They will also decorate light poles.
- Leaf pick-up. October 30th first day. No set schedule this year.
- Meet with engineer tomorrow to discuss water and lagoons, sewer upgrade, sizing, - by December 31st - entire thing should be submitted to the EPA. On target to get that done.
 - While he is here – talk about TIF II – look at roads out there – have \$ to spend and may look at that option. (Not just re-asphalt)
- Trouble with Cottage Grove restrooms. There are now some motion lights outside the doors. Not a lot of vandalism – taking paper towels, toilet paper, etc.

Any Other Business to be Brought Before the Board

Lynda Stone addressed the Board regarding the pool and the potential for a park district. President Troutman stated that a park district needed to be a community driven effort. Lynda said she and Pat Stahl would be willing to look into the possibility of what a park district would entail.

President Troutman said they would need to circulate a petition throughout the community, asking for signature, to submit to be on the ballot. At the same time, they would need to submit names of five people that would be on the park district board. The five board members would also need to circulate petitions as potential board members. Signatures could be collected at the same time.

MCO Sullivan suggested they talk to the Peoria County election commission. The election would be in March. The petition period would most likely be the Monday after Thanksgiving, and open for a few weeks after.

Superintendent Gardner said there is a lot of work to be done at the pool. Many items were taken out, thrown away, removed. The pool is not in a condition where someone could walk in and open it up. It is going to require a lot of work. He also commented that at some point, the taxpayers would need to know what is included in the park district – parks, green space, pool, etc. and locations – Edelstein, Laura. How much would the individuals be taxed each year?

President Troutman said the pool will not cost the Village anything this winter. (No need to spray for bugs, etc.) Trustee Delbridge reminded everyone that the board decided they would not let the pool sit and become an eye-sore. If we have to wait until Spring, that will be the limit.

MCO Sullivan suggested Lynda and Pat contact an attorney to talk about tax levy information and advise you on the steps to take.

Adjourn

Trustee Delbridge made a motion to adjourn at 7:54 PM. Trustee Peterson seconded the motion.

All in Favor: All Names

Nays: None

Next Village Board Meeting, Monday, November 6, 2023

Respectfully Submitted,

Sarah Cordis, Village of Princeville Clerk