

Village of Princeville
Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting
March 5, 2018 7:00 p.m.

The Princeville Village Board met on the above date and time at the Village Hall, 206 N. Walnut Street, Princeville, Illinois 61559. President Troutman called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Roll call showed the following board members were physically present: President Troutman, Trustee Sutherland, Trustee Gilroy, Trustee Haley, Trustee Geiger, Trustee Ehnle, and Trustee Delbridge. Absent: None. A quorum was present for the meeting. Other Village members present: Treasurer Hofer, Clerk Wilson, Superintendent of Public Works Gardner, and Municipal Code Officer Sullivan.

MINUTES

Police report: Officer Hankins advised nothing to report. Trustee Geiger reported a call was made to Sheriff's office regarding incident wherein a resident was making lewd comments to kids in the public park, Trustee Gilroy affirmed similar occurrence. Officer Hankins responded, no report on these issues but would inquire with dispatch. President Troutman reported a call was made to the Sheriff's office at 3:45 p.m. on a particular day and response did not occur until 6:45 p.m. Officer Hankins will check with dispatch as to the reason for the delay.

Approve minutes as published: Minutes for February 2018 were distributed to the Board by Clerk Wilson. Trustee Gilroy made a motion to approve minutes, as presented, with a second from Trustee Haley.

Approved by roll call vote.

Yeas: Trustee Sutherland, Trustee Gilroy, Trustee Haley, Trustee Geiger, Trustee Ehnle, Trustee Delbridge, President Troutman;

Nays: None;

Absent: None.

President Troutman declared the motion passed.

Approve Treasurer's report: Treasurer's Reports for February 2018 were distributed to the Board by Treasurer Hofer. Treasurer Hofer advised the fishing licensing machine was returned. Treasurer Hofer also advised water bills of actual meter readings were mailed on February 27, 2018. President Troutman noted whenever water bills are estimated the estimate needs to be on the higher side and not lower side as this was a concern of residents when the bill is estimated as being too low. Trustee Sutherland made a motion to approve the Treasurer's report, as presented, with a second from Trustee Delbridge.

Approved by roll call vote.

Yeas: Trustee Sutherland, Trustee Gilroy, Trustee Haley, Trustee Geiger, Trustee Ehnle, Trustee Delbridge, President Troutman;

Nays: None;

Absent: None.

President Troutman declared the motion passed.

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Paying of February 2018 Additional bills: Additional bill sheet for February 2018 was distributed to the Board by Treasurer Hofer. Additional bills for February 2018 totaled \$20,246.01. Trustee Delbridge made a motion to approve paying of the February 2018 Additional bills, as presented, with a second by Trustee Geiger.

Approved by roll call vote.

Yeas: Trustee Sutherland, Trustee Gilroy, Trustee Haley, Trustee Geiger, Trustee Ehnle, Trustee Delbridge, President Troutman;

Nays: None;

Absent: None.

President Troutman declared the motion passed.

Spencer Wilson to address the Board: Clerk Wilson advised several updates were made to the Illinois Opens Meeting Act in August 2017; therefore, it was recommended all elected and/or appointed members of the Village subject to OMA complete the electronic training curriculum developed and administered by the Public Access Counselor. Clerk Wilson will email the link to all elected and/or appointed members of the Board requesting they consider once again completing the electronic training curriculum developed and administered by the Illinois Public Access Counselor. Clerk Wilson requested those that do complete the training again to print a copy of the certificate of completion and submit it to Clerk Wilson.

Consider and vote on sponsorship of Princeville Little League Baseball Team for 2018; Matt Palmer to address the Board: Matt Palmer advised Princeville Little League Baseball had a good year in 2017 and some renovations were completed at the high school; specifically, the dugouts. Mr. Palmer noted purchase of equipment will be focus in 2018. Mr. Palmer noted the Village of Dunlap had requested to use the fields for five (5) days. Mr. Palmer advised two (2) teams were entered for the Walnut Tournament. Mr. Palmer noted the League would like to utilize the baseball field at Troutman Park for tournaments but wherein a baseball went into a nearby resident's yard and apparently there was an incident, the League would not be requesting to utilize the baseball field at Troutman Park in 2018 for any tournaments. Trustee Sutherland inquired if there were any possible issues with bleachers and flooding in the dugouts, and Superintendent Gardner responded, if any issues, Public Works Department would address. Trustee Geiger inquired on the amount to sponsor at team in 2018 with Trustee Gilroy inquiring if the sponsorship fee was the same as 2017. President Troutman inquired if the League used Troutman Park for anything beside t-ball, and Mr. Palmer responded, yes, practice and some games. Trustee Haley made a motion to sponsor a Little League Baseball Team in 2018 for the amount of \$500.00 with a second by Trustee Sutherland.

Approved by roll call vote.

Yeas: Trustee Sutherland, Trustee Gilroy, Trustee Haley, Trustee Geiger, Trustee Ehnle, Trustee Delbridge, President Troutman;

Nays: None;

Absent: None.

President Troutman declared the motion passed.

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Rita Hartley to address the Board: Mrs. Hartley advised there was an issue with current water bill. Mrs. Hartley noted there are two (2) residents living in her household and the water usage stated for January 2018 indicated 11,500 gallons of water was utilized. Mrs. Hartley asked the Board to review Usage History report for Mrs. Harley's residence and Mrs. Hartley distributed the report to the Board. Treasurer Hofer advised Russ Hyde of the Public Works Department would check on the issue. Mrs. Hartley inquired on how water usage is calculated, and President Troutman responded, advising the Public Works' Department regularly finds that higher-than-normal water usage by a residence is due to a stool sticking and the water usage for December 2017 was billed in 2018. President Troutman noted the water bills are estimated several times throughout the year, and when this occurs, it (water usage) is estimated on the low side, and President Troutman recommended Village look to estimate usage on the high side to avoid these issues in the future. Mrs. Hartley responded, indicating checked water meter and checked for any water leaks as Mr. Hyde had prior showed Mrs. Hartley. President Troutman noted the Village is looking to upgrade the water meters. Mrs. Hartley noted, when water bills are estimated, it (water bills) often appear to be estimated higher than actual usage, and Superintendent Gardner responded, advising the numbers are correlated. Mrs. Hartley inquired if there was a way a resident could track the numbers on the meter, and Superintendent Gardner responded, yes, read the number from the meter. Mrs. Hartley inquired if the Village utilized *Smart Reader*, and Superintendent Gardner responded, yes, and Mrs. Hartley responded, it does not appear very accurate. Superintendent Gardner advised it is the actual water usage as the *Smart Reader* actually touches the meter to obtain the water usage. Trustee Haley inquired with Mrs. Hartley if wanted to utilize the one-time forgiveness given by the Board, and Mrs. Hartley responded, this was not reason spoke to Board as wanted to know how readings were obtained and why possibly so high in January 2018. President Troutman advised it may be a usage issue somewhere within the home, and Trustee Geiger noted, it was possible water could have been running for sometime within the home. President Troutman stated Village is hoping with new meters this will eliminate any future issues. Mrs. Hartley thanked the Board for their time.

Report from Municipal Code Officer: MCO Sullivan distributed Code Officer Report to the Board with indicator of current violations not completed, new violations, and completed violations.

MCO Sullivan advised spoke with President Troutman in regard to apartment complex across from German-Bliss and would like to get permission to demolish the apartment complex. MCO Sullivan noted the owner of the apartment complex resides in East Peoria, Illinois. President Troutman noted there was a concern of possible fire hazard at the apartment complex and inquired if current tenant would allow entry to investigate, and MCO Sullivan responded, yes, tenant could allow entry. MCO Sullivan was seeking permission from the Board to further pursue the issue. Trustee Geiger inquired as to what type of issues, and MCO Sullivan responded, electrical. President Troutman inquired if there were no objections from the Board at this time that MCO Sullivan had permission to pursue.

MCO Sullivan advised on another property with structure roofing issue and was waiting on pictures of the property. Trustee Geiger inquired if there was no roof, and MCO Sullivan responded, property owner had placed a rubber, temp roof on the property structure and had requested pictures of the building from the property owner.

Trustee Gilroy inquired on the property with debris in yard. MCO Sullivan responded, property on Main and West with debris and appliances was cleaned up prior to inspection.

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Report from Municipal Code Officer (continued): MCO Sullivan noted few violations were now closed; property on West Shawn Street where items were placed in yard was now cleared; and, property on Town Avenue where items were placed in yard was now cleared. MCO Sullivan noted property on Marlynn was now okay; property on West Douglas Street was still pending. Trustee Gilroy noted the house on West Douglas Street indicated as being sold, and Treasurer Hofer responded, it (house on West Douglas Street) was sold. MCO Sullivan noted as there were no additional issues at the property on West Douglas Street would consider closed.

President Troutman and Trustee Geiger both inquired on the status of the Fine Schedule for Ordinance Violations, and MCO Sullivan responded, the Fine Schedule would be ready for review by the next Regular Board Meeting. Trustee Geiger advised would like the Fine Schedule to be on a rolling calendar year for repeat offenders, and MCO Sullivan responded, would have to inquire on possibility of running the Fine Schedule on a rolling calendar year. Trustee Geiger inquired on where Village would need to post the Fine Schedule for Ordinance Violations, and MCO Sullivan responded, the Fine Schedule for Ordinance Violations should be posted at the Village Hall, on the website for the Village, and at the Lillie M. Evans Library.

Any action needed regarding the MCO report: None.

Consider and vote on waiving water and sewer connection fees for Frosted Sweets & Treats: President Troutman and Trustee Sutherland noted as the Board had historically waived these fees for other new businesses in the Village that the Board consider same. Trustee Sutherland made a motion that the water and sewer connection fees be waived for Frosted Sweets & Treats with a second by Trustee Delbridge.

Approved by roll call vote.

Yeas: Trustee Sutherland, Trustee Gilroy, Trustee Haley, Trustee Geiger, Trustee Ehnle, Trustee Delbridge, President Troutman;

Nays: None;

Absent: None.

President Troutman declared the motion passed.

Committee reports: President Troutman noted an article written in a locally-published paper had indicated the Board took action on the properties at Aten Acres, and President Troutman advised the author of the article would print a correction as that information was not accurate.

Any action needed on Committee reports: None.

Building permits: None.

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Report from Superintendent of Public Works: Superintendent Gardner advised Well 3 had a rotor bearing out and would cost approximately \$1,300.00 to repair. Superintendent Gardner also noted pipes will need replaced and an option would be to put in stainless steel piping that would last longer and could cost around \$66,971.00. Superintendent Gardner noted the current pipes are approximately 10 years old. Trustee Gilroy inquired if there were any guarantees, and Superintendent Gardner responded, one (1) year warranty. President Troutman and Trustee Gilroy inquired if warranties on pipes, and Superintendent Gardner responded, uncertain but would inquire on same. Superintendent Gardner advised would submit a claim with insurance carrier as believed Village had Boiler Insurance Coverage and possibly a faulty bearing and insurance adjuster could further investigate.

Superintendent Gardner noted 30 membranes for the water system would need replaced and Russ Hyde of the Public Works Department received bids with the lowest being \$546 per membrane, or approximately \$16,380.00 and this would be on next year's budget but it was a must. Trustee Gilroy inquired if any of the membranes were replaced, and Superintendent Gardner responded, yes, over a 100.

Superintendent Gardner advised has aluminum and steel for the gazebo at the Princeville Aquatic Center, and Trustee Gilroy advised, possibility of delaying build of gazebo due to costs of water pump. Trustee Sutherland inquired if the gazebo would be built of wood or metal, and Superintendent Gardner responded, metal. Trustee Sutherland noted that wood may last longer and would not rust like the metal. President Troutman noted this would be something the Pool Committee should take under advisement. Superintendent Gardner noted the cost to build the gazebo would be approximately \$2,500.00 to \$3,200.00.

Superintendent Gardner advised was waiting on bids and costs to add approximately eight (8) additional decorations for Christmas.

Superintendent Gardner advised was looking at water meter systems and would have pricing for meters soon.

Trustee Geiger inquired if possible for next budget to have costs for cutting back the corner on Woertz Road, and Superintendent Gardner responded, yes would get costs.

President Troutman requested Superintendent Gardner to get costs on renovation to Village Hall, and Treasurer Hofer noted there was \$2,500.00 to replace flooring at the Village Hall in the budget.

Superintendent Gardner requested the Board provide a list of items needing repaired/replaced to prepare upcoming budget.

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Any other business to be brought before the Board: President Troutman advised there is a proposal being presented to put a solar farm outside of the Village and should watch for possible future expansions. Trustee Sutherland inquired if the solar farm had to be at least two (2) mile radius outside of the Village limits, and Trustee Delbridge and President Troutman responded, advising at least a one (1) mile radius. President Troutman noted the company was Cypress Renewables. Trustee Gilroy noted company would need at least a 20-acre plot.

President Troutman noted there was also possibility of development for a 2,500-head pig farm on Laura Road, west of Duncan, but Board would have no jurisdiction. Trustee Delbridge noted if the farm was built right there would be no smell.

Trustee Sutherland inquired if Village had pledged securities of \$1,703.00, and Treasurer Hofer responded, yes, Village is pledged.

Trustee Sutherland advised received letter and insurance paperwork with regard to storing rifles at Village Hall. Trustee Geiger recommended putting on agenda. President Troutman noted discussion on this topic was on prior agenda. Trustee Gilroy made a motion to approve allowing storage of the rifles for the Veterans of Foreign Affairs at the Village Hall with a second by Trustee Delbridge:

Approved by roll call vote.

Yeas: Trustee Sutherland, Trustee Gilroy, Trustee Haley, Trustee Geiger, Trustee Ehnle, Trustee Delbridge, President Troutman;

Nays: None;

Absent: None.

President Troutman declared the motion passed.

Trustee Gilroy noted the Pool Committee would be meeting at 6:15 p.m. on March 13, 2018; and the Property Committee would be meeting at 7:15 p.m. on March 13, 2018. Trustee Gilroy also noted meeting with Peterson Living Center to look at development spots was set for April 9, 2018.

Trustee Delbridge noted concern with utility terrain vehicles (UTVs) being driven on state and county roads and inquired if Board had authority to revoke a UTV permit obtained by a resident for violating ordinance, and President Troutman responded, if there is a violation the police would need to address. Officer Hankins noted could ticket the driver and tow the UTV but unable to revoke driver's license. Trustee Haley inquired on other options on where a UTV can travel, and President Troutman noted can ride trails by school and museum. Trustee Delbridge noted concern of not being able to see the permit sticker on the UTV, and President Troutman responded, advising if see a UTV without a permit sticker to report same and, if driver of UTV is in violation of the Ordinance governing UTVs should report to MCO Sullivan. MCO Sullivan advised if unlawful use of an UTV could result in impoundment of the UTV. President Troutman noted a UTV can cross a state road at a 90-degree angle but cannot travel on the state road. MCO Sullivan inquired if should take action against those without permit, and President Troutman responded, yes.

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President Troutman congratulated Randy Haley on being appointed the new Fire Chief of the Akron-Princeville Fire Department.

Adjournment: Trustee Sutherland made a motion to adjourn the Regular Board Meeting; seconded by Trustee Haley.

Approved by roll call vote.

Yeas: Trustee Sutherland, Trustee Gilroy, Trustee Haley, Trustee Geiger, Trustee Ehnle, Trustee Delbridge, President Troutman;

Nays: None;

Absent: None.

President Troutman declared the motion passed and meeting adjourned at 8:36 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Spencer Wilson, Clerk
Village of Princeville, Illinois