

VILLAGE OF PEOTONE
VILLAGE BOARD
MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 9, 2015

THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE WAS LED BY THE VILLAGE PRESIDENT, RICHARD DURAN.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE PEOTONE VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES WAS CALLED TO ORDER AT 7:00 P.M. AT THE MUNICIPAL COMPLEX HALL, 208 E. MAIN STREET, PEOTONE, ILLINOIS; THE VILLAGE PRESIDENT, RICHARD DURAN, PRESIDING. THE FOLLOWING BOARD MEMBERS ANSWERED ROLL CALL: MR. REICHERT, MR. WICKER, MR. HACK, MR. CALLAHAN, AND MR. FORSYTHE. TRUSTEE HUPKE WAS ABSENT. ALSO PRESENT WERE THE CLERK, ADMINISTRATOR, ENGINEER, ATTORNEY, MS. BORMET, MS. GREEN, MR. CROSS, AND MS. LATHUS.

ROLL CALL

MOTION BY HACK, SECONDED BY FORSYTHE, TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE JANUARY 26, 2015, REGULAR VILLAGE BOARD MEETING AS WRITTEN. HACK, FORSYTHE, REICHERT, CALLAHAN, AND WICKER VOTING AYE; MOTION CARRIED.

MINUTES

MOTION BY WICKER, SECONDED BY REICHERT, TO APPROVE THE PAYROLL AND TO APPROVE THE ACCOUNTS PAYABLE IN ALL CATEGORIZED FUNDS AS PRESENTED. WICKER, REICHERT, FORSYTHE, CALLAHAN, AND HACK VOTING AYE; MOTION CARRIED.

PAYROLL & ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

PUBLIC COMMENT - MS. GREEN GAVE AN UPDATE FOR THE FARMER'S MARKET SCHEDULE. SHE REQUESTED THE SAME LOCATION AS LAST YEAR FOR THE SECOND AND FOURTH SATURDAYS OF JUNE THROUGH SEPTEMBER. THE SET UP WOULD START AT 7:00 A.M. AND THE TEAR DOWN WOULD BE COMPLETED BY 1:00 P.M. SHE HAS BEEN IN CONTACT WITH THE CHAMBER AND WITH THE CAR CLUB TO DISCUSS THE MARKET IN CONJUNCTION WITH OTHER EVENTS. SHE WILL SUBMIT A SPECIAL EVENT APPLICATION FOR AN UPCOMING BOARD MEETING FOR APPROVAL.

PUBLIC COMMENT

PRESIDENT DURAN SAID THAT THE MARKET GOT OFF TO A GOOD START LAST YEAR AND THAT EVERYONE SEEMED PLEASED.

POLICE CHIEF REPORT - NOT PRESENT

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ENGINEER REPORT - THE ENGINEER UPDATED THE BOARD ON THE WEDNESDAY ARRIVAL OF THE WILMINGTON ROAD LIFT STATION EMERGENCY GENERATOR.

ENGINEER REPORT

MS. LATHUS WAS PRESENT TO EXPLAIN THE BLUE RIBBON WALK NATION WIDE IN SUPPORT OF LAW ENFORCEMENT AND FIRST RESPONDERS ON MAY 30, 2015, FROM NOON UNTIL 1:00 P.M. SHE STATED THAT EACH COMMUNITY PARTICIPATING ORGANIZED THEIR OWN MILE WALK WITHIN THEIR COMMUNITY. THE WALK WOULD BEGIN AT THE HIGH SCHOOL AND END AT THE FIRE DISTRICT ON JOLIET ROAD. UPON FURTHER DISCUSSION THE ROUTE HAS BEEN CHANGED TO AVOID RATHJE ROAD AND JOLIET ROAD. ST. PAUL'S CHURCH WILL BE CONTACTED TO END THE WALK AT THEIR PARKING LOT, WHERE WATER, HOT DOGS, AND CHIPS WILL BE SERVED.

**SPECIAL EVENT
NATION WIDE MILE WALK**

MOTION BY WICKER, SECONDED BY FORSYTHE, TO APPROVE THE SPECIAL EVENT AS SUBMITTED BY MS. LATHUS WITH THE REVISED ROUTE FOR THE BLUE RIBBON WALK NATION WIDE TO BEGIN AT THE HIGH SCHOOL AT NOON ON MAY 30, 2015. WICKER, FORSYTHE, CALLAHAN, HACK, AND REICHERT VOTING AYE; MOTION CARRIED.

**GENERAL DISCUSSION
SIDEWALK SNOW DOWNTOW**

TRUSTEE HACK BROUGHT UP THE SIDEWALK SNOW REMOVAL IN THE DOWNTOWN AREA. MR. CROSS WAS PRESENT TO JOIN THE DISCUSSION. THE SUBJECT WAS BROUGHT UP LAST YEAR REGARDING SOME BUILDING OWNERS IN THE DOWNTOWN AREA NOT SHOVELING THE SIDEWALKS IN FRONT OF THE BUSINESSES. THE LACK OF MANPOWER AND PROPER EQUIPMENT FOR THE VILLAGE TO TAKE ON THE RESPONSIBILITY WAS DISCUSSED. RESEARCHING WHERE THE BUILDING OWNERS' PROPERTY ENDS AS IT RELATES TO THE SIDEWALK WAS DISCUSSED. IF THE OWNERSHIP OF THE SIDEWALK IS FOUND TO BE THE BUILDING OWNERS' RESPONSIBILITY, PASSING AN ORDINANCE REQUIRING THE SNOW REMOVAL WAS DISCUSSED. WHEN THE SNOW IS REMOVED FROM THE SIDEWALK, THERE IS NOWHERE FOR IT TO GO BUT TO THE STREET. PUBLIC WORKS PLOWS TO THE CURB ONCE THE STREETS ARE OPENED, BUT IF CARS ARE PARKED BEFORE PUBLIC WORKS CAN PLOW TO THE CURB, THE SNOW CANNOT BE REMOVED.

WILMINGTON ROAD

TRUSTEE HACK BROUGHT UP THE POSSIBILITY OF THE VILLAGE TAKING OVER WILMINGTON ROAD FROM THE COUNTY. THE COUNTY HAS ACCESS RESTRICTIONS WHICH COULD PROVE TO BE A DETERRENT FOR ANY PROSPECTIVE BUSINESSES. MR. GRAY STATED THAT WE WERE IN THE PROCESS OF FACT FINDING WITH THE ENGINEER AND THE COUNTY REGARDING THE ISSUE.

THE DOG TAG DUE DATE IS THE LAST BUSINESS DAY OF FEBRUARY

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE WATER SERVICE SHUT-OFF DATE IS SCHEDULED FOR FEBRUARY 13, 2015, FOR DELINQUENT ACCOUNTS.

MOTION BY FORSYTHE, SECONDED BY HACK, TO ADJOURN THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE PEOTONE VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES AT 7:38 P.M. FORSYTHE, HACK, WICKER, REICHERT, AND CALLAHAN VOTING AYE; MOTION CARRIED.

ADJOURNMENT

Donna Werner
Village Clerk