

VILLAGE OF PEOTONE  
VILLAGE BOARD  
MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 28, 2011

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. HUPKE, MR. WICKER, MR. CALLAHAN, MR. FORSYTHE, AND MR. LIBERATORE. ALSO PRESENT WERE THE CLERK, ADMINISTRATOR, ENGINEER, ATTORNEY, POLICE CHIEF, AND MARGE BROOKE.

**ROLL CALL**

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

**PAYROLL & ACCOUNTS  
PAYABLE**

MOTION BY REICHERT, SECONDED BY WICKER, TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE NOVEMBER 14, 2011, REGULAR VILLAGE BOARD MEETING AS WRITTEN. REICHERT, WICKER, HUPKE, CALLAHAN, FORSYTHE, AND LIBERATORE VOTING AYE; MOTION CARRIED.

**MINUTES**

PUBLIC COMMENT - MS. BROOKE INQUIRED IF THE BOARD HAD WAIVED THE BUILDING PERMIT FEE FOR THE (PARK DISTRICT) PERMIT AT THE OCTOBER 24<sup>th</sup> BOARD MEETING. SHE DIDN'T THINK IT WAS RIGHT TO WAVE THAT PERMIT FEE WHEN THE PERMIT FEES FOR RESIDENTS ARE NOT WAIVED.

**PUBLIC COMMENT  
BROOKE**

IT WAS EXPLAINED THAT THE DISCUSSION REVOLVED AROUND ONE TAXING BODY PAYING ANOTHER TAXING BODY. IF ANY WAIVER WAS GRANTED, IT WOULD ONLY BE ON THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THE AMOUNT ILL PLACES ON THE PERMIT AND THE AMOUNT ILL CHARGES THE VILLAGE. THE PERMIT HAS NOT YET BEEN ISSUED AND WE HAVE NO NUMBERS AT THIS TIME.

HER NEXT COMMENT WAS ON THE FENCE AT THE CEMETERY. SHE STATED THAT SHE WAS AGAINST THE FENCE IN THE BEGINNING, BUT NOW SHE HAS SEEN IT, AND THINKS IT LOOKS GOOD.

MS. BROOKE INQUIRED WHO HAD BEEN CHOSEN FOR THE SIDEWALK PROJECT, IF THE 50/50 PROGRAM STILL EXISTED, AND HOW A RESIDENT WOULD GET ON THE SIDEWALK REPLACEMENT LIST.

IT WAS EXPLAINED THAT SCANLON EXCAVATING AND CONCRETE WAS AWARDED THE PROJECT, MR. BLOGG CHOOSES LONG RUNS OF SIDEWALK TO BE REPLACED IN ORDER TO RECEIVE THE BEST PROJECT PRICE, AND MS. BROOKE WAS INSTRUCTED TO CONTACT MR. BLOGG IN THE SPRING TO BE PLACED ON THE REPLACEMENT PROJECT LIST. THE 50/50 PROGRAM HAD BEEN ABANDONED THREE TO FOUR YEARS AGO.

HER LAST INQUIRY CONCERNED HOW ELECTRICAL AGGREGATION WORKED AND IF IT WOULD BE MANDATORY FOR ALL RESIDENTS TO PARTICIPATE IN THE PROGRAM.

THE BOARD EXPLAINED THAT THE ORDINANCE THE BOARD PASSED WAS TO PLACE THE REFERENDUM QUESTION ON THE MARCH BALLOT ASKING RESIDENTS IF THEY WOULD WANT THE VILLAGE TO PARTICIPATE IN THE ELECTRICAL AGGREGATION IN ORDER TO OBTAIN THE

LOWEST PRICED ELECTRIC SUPPLIER FOR RESIDENTS AND SMALL BUSINESSES. RESIDENTS WOULD RECEIVE A MAILING GIVING THEM THE CHOICE TO OPT OUT OF THE PROGRAM. THE VILLAGE TOGETHER WITH SURROUNDING VILLAGES IN WILL COUNTY WOULD HAVE BETTER NEGOTIATING POWER TO SECURE THE LOWEST PRICE FOR THE ELECTRIC SUPPLY. THE LINES WOULD STILL BELONG TO COMMONWEALTH EDISON, THE MONTHLY BILLS WOULD STILL COME FROM COM ED, AND THE RESIDENTS WOULD STILL CALL COM ED REGARDING ANY PROBLEMS THE SAME AS THEY DO CURRENTLY. A MEETING WILL BE SCHEDULED FOR THE WILL COUNTY MUNICIPAL LEAGUE TO EXPLAIN ALL OF THE DETAILS TO THE RESIDENTS.

POLICE CHIEF REPORT - NONE

ENGINEER REPORT – THE PROJECTS ARE WINDING DOWN. THE SIDEWALK PROJECT POURING IS JUST FINISHING. THE CONTRACTOR STILL HAS TO DO THE RESTORATION AND WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR THAT RESTORATION UNTIL THERE IS A FULL STAND OF GRASS.

THE PEOTONE GIRL SCOUTS HAVE REQUESTED PERMISSION FOR CHRISTMAS IN THE VILLAGE WITH SANTA. THE EVENT WOULD INCLUDE CAROLING, TREE LIGHTING, AND A SHOPPING EXTRAVAGANZA IN DOWNTOWN PEOTONE ON DECEMBER 17, 2011, FROM 3:00 P.M. TO 5:30 P.M. MR. GRAY SUGGESTED CLOSING NORTH STREET FROM SECOND STREET TO RAILROAD STREET DURING THE EVENT FOR PUBLIC SAFETY. TRUSTEE WICKER REMINDED THE BOARD THAT DECEMBER 17<sup>th</sup> IS ALSO THE AMERICAN LEGION SHOPPING TRIP FOR THE CHILDREN AND THE BUSES WOULD NEED ACCESS TO THE NORTH SIDE OF NORTH STREET FOR THE EVENT.

MOTION BY FORSYTHE, SECONDED BY HUPKE, TO APPROVE THE GIRL SCOUT EVENT ON DECEMBER 17, 2011, FROM 3:00 P.M. TO 5:30 P.M. IN THE DOWNTOWN AREA AND FOR THE POLICE TO ARRANGE FOR THE PROPER TRAFFIC CONTROL TO ACCOMMODATE BOTH THE GIRL SCOUT EVENT AND THE AMERICAN LEGION EVENT. FORSYTHE, HUPKE, REICHERT, WICKER, CALLAHAN, AND LIBERATORE VOTING AYE; MOTION CARRIED.

PERIODICALLY ORDINANCES WHICH HAVE BEEN ADOPTED BY THE VILLAGE BOARD ARE SENT TO AMERICAN LEGAL PUBLISHING CORPORATION WHO PREPARES THE SUPPLEMENT TO THE VILLAGE CODE OF ORDINANCES. THE SUPPLEMENTS THEN NEED TO BE ADOPTED BY ORDINANCE FOR INCLUSION IN THE VILLAGE CODE BOOK.

MOTION BY REICHERT, SECONDED BY WICKER, TO ADOPT ORDINANCE 11-14 – AN ORDINANCE ENACTING AND ADOPTING A SUPPLEMENT TO THE CODE OF ORDINANCES FOR THE VILLAGE OF PEOTONE, ILLINOIS, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. REICHERT, WICKER, HUPKE, LIBERATORE, FORSYTHE, AND CALLAHAN VOTING AYE; MOTION CARRIED.

A NEW VILLAGE BOARD RESOLUTION NEEDS TO BE ON FILE WITH THE WILL COUNTY BOARD OF REVIEW IN ORDER FOR THE VILLAGE TO INTERVENE WHEN A PROPERTY OWNER FILES TO REDUCE THE ASSESSED VALUE OF THE PROPERTY BY \$100,000.00 OR MORE.

MOTION BY WICKER, SECONDED BY HUPKE, TO PASS RESOLUTION 11-R18 – A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING VILLAGE OF PEOTONE, WILL COUNTY, ILLINOIS TO INTERVENE IN PROCEEDING BEFORE THE WILL COUNTY BOARD AND BEFORE THE ILLINOIS PROPERTY TAX APPEAL BOARD. WICKER, HUPKE, REICHERT, LIBERATORE, FORSYTHE, AND CALLAHAN VOTING AYE; MOTION CARRIED.

THE RENEWALS FOR THE VEHICLE STICKERS AND DOG TAGS WILL BE MAILED IN DECEMBER. DEADLINE FOR VEHICLE STICKERS IS THE END OF MARCH AND THE DEADLINE FOR DOG TAGS IS THE END OF FEBRUARY.

**POLICE CHIEF REPORT**

**ENGINEER REPORT**

**GIRL SCOUTS**

**ORD 11-14  
CODIFICATION**

**RES 11-R18  
PROPERTY TAX APPEALS**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

THE WATER/SEWER/GARBAGE BILLS WILL BE MAILED THE END OF DECEMBER.

MOTION BY FORSYTHE, SECONDED BY REICHERT, TO ADJOURN THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE PEOTONE VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES AT 7:30 P.M. FORSYTHE, REICHERT, HUPKE, WICKER, LIBERATORE, AND CALLAHAN VOTING AYE; MOTION CARRIED.

**ADJOURNMENT**

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Donna Werner  
Village Clerk