

**VILLAGE OF PEOTONE
REGULAR VILLAGE BOARD
MINUTES OF DECEMBER 14, 2015**

THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE WAS LED BY THE INTERIM VILLAGE PRESIDENT, STEVEN CROSS.

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 INTERIM VILLAGE PRESIDENT, STEVEN CROSS, PRESIDING. THE FOLLOWING BOARD MEMBERS ANSWERED ROLL CALL: MR. HUPKE, MR. JONES, DR. MARCH, MR. BOWDEN, MR. HACK, AND MR. HAMM. ALSO PRESENT WERE THE CLERK, ADMINISTRATOR, AND ATTORNEY.

ROLL CALL

MOTION BY HUPKE, SECONDED BY JONES, TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE NOVEMBER 23, 2015, REGULAR VILLAGE BOARD MEETING AS WRITTEN. HUPKE, JONES, MARCH, BOWDEN, HACK, AND HAMM VOTING AYE; MOTION CARRIED.

MINUTES

MOTION BY HUPKE, SECONDED BY HACK, TO APPROVE THE PAYROLL AND TO APPROVE THE ACCOUNTS PAYABLE IN ALL CATEGORIZED FUNDS AS PRESENTED. HUPKE, HACK, JONES, MARCH, BOWDEN, AND HAMM VOTING AYE; MOTION CARRIED.

PAYROLL & ACCTS. PAYABLE

PUBLIC COMMENT - NONE

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POLICE COMMITTEE - TRUSTEE MARCH GAVE THE DECEMBER 8, 2015, POLICE COMMITTEE REPORT. THE COMMITTEE DISCUSSED THE DRINKING AND SMOKING OUTDOORS IN THE DOWNTOWN AREA AND THE TRASH LEFT BEHIND. SWEEPING THE DOWNTOWN STREETS TWICE PER WEEK, ADDITIONAL SMOKE RECEPTACLES, ENFORCING NO ALCOHOL OUTSIDE THE ESTABLISHMENTS, AND ENFORCING THE NO PARKING REGULATIONS IN THE DOWNTOWN FOR STREET SWEEPING WERE DISCUSSED. THE COMMITTEE DECIDED AGAINST THE RESERVED PARKING SPOT FOR A SPECIFIC BUSINESS AS REQUESTED BY THE BUSINESS OWNER. TRUSTEE HUPKE ADDED HIS RESEARCH REGARDING THE LITTER CONTROL ACT STATING CIGARETTE BUTTS ARE A DANGEROUS FORM OF LITTER AND A \$1,500.00 FINE COULD BE IMPOSED.

REPORTS

TRUSTEE MARCH INQUIRED IF THE ATTORNEY HAD A RESPONSE REGARDING THE MEYERS GLEN RESIDENTS STATING THAT THEY COULD VOTE TO DISSOLVE THE HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION. THE ATTORNEY WOULD RESEARCH THE ISSUE. TRUSTEE MARCH INQUIRED IF THE ADMINISTRATOR WOULD PROVIDE THE EMPLOYEES INSURANCE BENEFITS FOR HIM TO REVIEW.

THE VILLAGE HAS BEEN CONTACTED REGARDING A CHANGE OF VENUE FOR THE TRACTORS FOR A CURE EVENT. THEY WOULD LIKE TO RELOCATE THEIR EVENT FROM BEECHER TO OUR DOWNTOWN AREA. THEY WOULD LIKE TO RUN THE EVENT THE WAY THE CAR CLUB RUNS THE CAR SHOW. THEY WOULD LIKE THE TRACTORS ON DISPLAY, A PARADE, A BAND OR DJ, AND A SILENT AUCTION. THE DATE THEY WERE HOPING FOR WAS JULY 16, 2016. THE CONSENSUS OF THE BOARD WAS TO CONTINUE THE MEETINGS TO PLAN THE EVENT. THE FARMERS MARKET GROUP HAS BEEN CONTACTED TO SEE IF THEY WANTED TO CHANGE THEIR JULY DATES TO COINCIDE WITH THE TRACTORS FOR A CURE EVENT AND THE CAR SHOW EVENT.

TRACTORS FOR A CURE

ADMINISTRATOR SPATHIS WILL CONTINUE CONVERSATIONS FOR THE BIKE EVENT. THEY ARE TRYING TO DECIDE ON A DATE. THE EVENT WOULD END IN THE DOWNTOWN AREA.

GENERAL DISCUSSION

PRESIDENT CROSS THANKED THE CHRISTMAS COMMISSION MEMBERS (MIKE JONES, NANCY CROSS, TAMMY COWGER, STEVE STEIN, RICH SHERIDAN, DAWN ENGLISH, SUE WACKERLIN, AND DONNA WERNER) FOR THEIR HARD WORK FOR THE CHRISTMAS IN THE VILLAGE EVENT. HE STATED THAT IT WAS A REAL GOOD TIME AND A LOT OF FUN. HE SAID THAT THE PARADE WAS A GREAT WAY TO END THE DAY. TRUSTEE MARCH INQUIRED HOW WE DID FINANCIALLY. HE WAS TOLD THE DONATIONS WERE GOOD AND THERE WAS SOME LEFT OVER TO START THE DOWN PAYMENTS FOR THE EVENT NEXT YEAR. THE FIRST MEETING IN JANUARY, JODY THATCHER'S DAUGHTER WOULD BE THE MAYOR FOR THE DAY.

TRUSTEE HUPKE STATED THAT THERE WERE ALOT OF GREAT FLOATS IN THE PARADE. HE THANKED CLERK WERNER FOR BUILDING THE VILLAGE FLOAT.

CLERK WERNER THANKED JACK DOYLE AND TONY BASILE FOR ALL THE WORK WITH THE FLOAT. SHE THANKED TRUSTEE HUPKE, ADAM JONES, DONNA HOCH, AND JOE LADISLAS FOR THEIR HELP WITH THE PARADE LINE-UP AND ALSO GARRETT FROM PUBLIC WORKS FOR PULLING THE FLOAT.

PRESIDENT CROSS THANKED THE FIRE DISTRICT FOR THEIR HELP WITH GETTING THE LIGHTS ON THE TREE.

THE NEXT BOARD MEETING WILL BE THE SECOND MONDAY IN JANUARY.

MOTION BY HUPKE, SECONDED BY MARCH, TO ADJOURN THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE PEOTONE VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES AT 7:24 P.M. HUPKE, MARCH, HAMM, BOWDEN, HACK, AND JONES VOTING AYE; MOTION CARRIED.

ADJOURNMENT

Donna Werner
Village Clerk