

**VILLAGE OF AVISTON
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING HELD ON:
MONDAY OCTOBER 2, 2017**

The regular meeting of the President and Board of Trustees was held on October 2, 2017 at 7:30pm in the Village Hall. In attendance were Village President Dale Haukap, Village Administrator Mike Buscher, Village Treasurer Steve Goestenkers, Village Clerk Jennifer Jansen, Trustees Larry Harper, Mike Kampwerth, Randy Peek, Gary Litteken, and Kevin Eversgerd. Employees present included Gary Rakers, Mark Taylor, Kyle Markus, and Village Attorney Henry Bergmann. Guests included Jeff Woltering, Paul Romine, Mackenzie Arnold and Kylie Fritz.

Dale asked for a moment of silence for Kurt Schmitz's mom.

1. GUESTS:

A couple of high school students were present to observe a meeting.

Paul Romine was present to discuss cutting the curb along Aviston/Albers Road at his residence for a driveway on the south side of his house. The Village Board stated he can proceed. Romine also asked for the ditch along the rear of his property to be cleaned out and the apartment building to the north be fixed up/cleaned up. The Village Board informed him that they are currently in the process of working on property maintenance within the Village.

2. MINUTES:

The minutes of the previous meetings were available for review. A motion to approve the minutes as presented was made by Randy Peek, second by Kevin Eversgerd. Motion carried 5-0.

3. FINANCIAL REPORT:

Steve Goestenkers reviewed the financial report for the month of September. The Village collected \$375K and disbursed \$356K.

GF – Three months of Income Tax have been received which makes the State current. Normal expenses were noted.

WF – Received \$237K in loan disbursements from the State for the IEPA loan and this was paid to the vendors.

SF – Still running a deficit of about \$17K.

PF – Lease payments are current.

MFT – Normal monthly receipts noted.

RLF – Steve noted the loans are current. Mike Buscher attended a session with the State regarding this fund. A brief overview of the session was given.

Steve presented the Treasurer's Report for all to review. This will be posted in the Breese Journal before the end of October.

A motion to approve the financial report, pay all bills listed and normal monthly expenses was made by Mike Kampwerth, second by Gary Litteken. Motion carried 5-0.

4. POLICE REPORT:

Mark Taylor gave the monthly police report. Mark stated there have been several complaints on the music at the Veranda. It was stated to start issuing tickets.

Mark also informed the Board that neighbors of Alice Pendergrass have complained about the starter pistol they are using to scare away birds. Mark stated she has the proper paperwork to use the pistol.

New officer Alex Wilken will no longer be working for us as he has taken a full-time position elsewhere and is unable to have both jobs. Mark interviewed another candidate for the part-time position. The Employee Committee will meet to interview the candidate as well.

Gary stated that the car sitting at the Fire house will be removed from their by M & E very soon.

Mike Kampwerth asked Mark that a schedule to emailed to him regularly.

Mark stated that the Legion is paying extra for officers for the Queen of Hearts. Randy suggested billing the Legion monthly instead of when the even is over.

Dale mentioned that the lights at the tennis courts have been left on a lot recently and asked that whatever officer is on in the evening to please be sure these are off. It will also be suggested to the Park Board to look into a timer on these for the future.

-AERA – Kyle got bids on the remodel for a total of \$24K. A committee will meet with Kyle to review this.

5. PARK DISTRICT:

No report.

6. CURRENT PROJECTS:

-Vintage Hall – Kurt stated the street is torn up and the brick work is beginning.

-Industrial/Business Park – Ryan Voss has started digging. Amy Kruse should be in her building by the end of the month. The plat Jeff presented was reviewed and approved by the Zoning Board at their regular meeting. The Village Board reviewed the plat and stated if there is anything that needs to be advertised that Gary and Jenny should get together and get this done.

Larry Rakers and Jeff Woltering have an agreement on the sale of 4 acres near the water tower. Jeff presented the conditions of this sale. Plat was approved, not the improvement plan.

-Construction Entrance at Restaurant – Mike presented a copy of the agreement for all to review. Pat should review ASAP. Dale will sign the IDOT paperwork but not the maintenance agreement.

-S Page Street & Old Rt 50 Intersection – It was stated that Dale and Larry talked. John Kues stated he will not sign off on the easement because he is being forced to connect the sewer at the house along Old Rt. 50. Mike stated that Shirley Frey will sign the easement.

7. VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:

-TIF Contracts – Mike stated he will need to meet with Kurt as there are possibly 5 contracts to review.

-RLF – Mike passed out a paper to review.

- Fall Business Meeting – Mike reminded the Board that the meeting date is set for October 12th at the Legion. He currently has 10-12 business people lined up to speak.
- MFT – Mike stated they are starting on the 2018 MFT.
- Property Maintenance – Again discussed the Gentz property. Ordinance revisions were in everyone's packet for review.
- Insurance – Mike is to meet with Imming insurance to review the Vintage Hall, water plant, etc.
- CSX – Mike needs to return a call to CSX.

8. ZONING ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:

Gary Rakers reported 2 new homes, 1 commercial building and 1 miscellaneous permit issued for the month.

The Zoning Board minutes were in everyone's packet for review.

9. PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

-Water/Sewer at Kues Property – No report at this time. Henry is to draft a letter to Kues' and email to the Village Board for review before sending out. The letter should state that a plan should be brought to the Village Board by the November meeting with 30 days after that for installation.

-Maintenance Building – No report.

Mike Kampwerth stated Al Bilhartz will have the drop box on W. Second Street done by the end of October.

Gary presented a cost estimate on new radios. A motion to approve the purchase of new radios was made by Larry Harper, second by Mike Kampwerth. Motion carried 5-0.

Gary stated Wisper will give a free internet connection for the camera at the new tower.

Testing on the roadway in the newer industrial park was done and everything passed.

New cameras are being installed on the new tower. Controls will be installed on Wednesday.

10. NEW BUSINESS:

-Prevailing Wage Ordinance – The 2017 Prevailing Wage Ordinance was presented. A motion to approve was made by Larry Harper, second by Mike Kampwerth. Motion carried 5-0.

Dale informed everyone that this year's Veteran's Day parade and festivities will be held in Breese.

Dale reviewed a letter he received from a kid in St. Louis regarding our lack of severe weather warning system. Dale asked Mike to get back with this boy and his teacher to share our current status on severe weather alerts.

Motion to adjourn was made by Randy Peek, second by Kevin Eversgerd. Motion carried 5-0. Time was 9:25pm.

Jennifer Jansen, Village Clerk