# VILLAGE OF AVISTON MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING HELD ON: MONDAY JANUARY 21, 2019

The special meeting of the President and Board of Trustees was held on Monday January 21, 2019 at 7:30pm in the Village Hall. In attendance were Village President Dale Haukap, Village Administrator Mike Buscher, Village Clerk Jennifer Jansen, Trustees Larry Harper, Randy Peek, Gary Litteken, Kurt Schmitz and Kevin Eversgerd. Employees present included Gary Rakers, Dave Trame and Village Engineer Seth Netemeyer.

## 1. GUESTS:

No guests present.

## 2. SEWER RATE ORDINANCE (2019-1-1):

The sewer rate ordinance was up for discussion and review again with changes made to increase the minimum cost to \$17.70 with all other fees remaining the same. The date this ordinance will take effect with be the March 1, 2019 billing cycle. A motion to approve the ordinance as presented was made by Randy Peek, second by Larry Harper. Motion carried 5-0 by roll call vote as follows:

L. Harper – aye
M. Kampwerth – absent
R. Peek – aye

G. Litteken – aye
K. Schmitz – aye
K. Eversgerd – aye.

## 3. CAUTION LIGHTS:

Mike Buscher presented caution light proposals for all to review. Seth Netemeyer entered the meeting, time was 7:33pm. The Board discussed where to place said lights and which option would be best. The Board decided they would like one set of lights at W Fourth Street and S Clinton Street and another set of lights at N Spring Street crossing over to Casey's. A motion to purchase item W11-2 was made by Randy Peek, second by Kevin Eversgerd. Motion carried 5-0.

The Village Board discussed investigating what it would take with the State to get the speed limit lowered along Rt. 50, through town. A motion for Seth to proceed with this was made by Kurt Schmitz, second by Kevin Eversgerd. Motion carried 5-0.

#### 4. SELF STORAGE ORDINANCE:

Kurt Schmitz reviewed with the Board other items he came across while doing research on other communities' ordinances. The Board recommended several changes to the proposed ordinance. Kurt will email the proposed changes to Mike Buscher to get into the ordinance. Once these changes are made the proposed ordinance will be sent to the Zoning Board for review and suggestions before passage.

## 5. SOLAR ORDINANCE:

The Board reviewed the proposed solar ordinance and suggested a few changes. Kurt Schmitz will email the changes to Mike Buscher for correction. The Board will also add a

permit fee to this document and it will fall under Accessory Use for \$50. This ordinance, once changes are made, will also be sent to the Zoning Board for review and suggestions before passage.

## **6. SOLAR DECISION:**

Mike Buscher stated that information on the solar decision was included in everyone's packet this evening. Mike stated that the deadline date is 1/30/19. Mike said he spoke with Ed at 1<sup>st</sup> National Bank about extending our line of credit to \$500,000 if needed. The Board suggested that we go out for bids. Mike will get this advertisement ready for the newspaper.

#### 7. KUES WATER:

Gary Rakers reported that the easiest, cheapest approach to getting water to the Kues property would be to bore from the lot Dennis Woltering owns under Rt. 50 to the Kues property. This bore would be for 4 1" lines with an estimated cost for the bore of \$2600. The Board told Gary to get this scheduled.

#### 8. RLF:

Mike Buscher had information included in everyone's packet for review. Mike stated that in previous conversations with Ed at 1<sup>st</sup> National Bank that they would be interested in bidding on administering this grant. A motion to proceed with going out for a bid was made by Kurt Schmitz, second by Kevin Eversgerd. Motion carried 5-0.

## **9. EMPLOYEE HANDBOOK (2019-1-2):**

The Village Board has previously reviewed the revised/proposed Employee Handbook and Ordinance. A motion to approve the ordinance and handbook was made by Larry Harper, second by Randy Peek. Motion carried by roll call vote as follows:

L. Harper – aye

M. Kampwerth – absent

R. Peek – aye

G. Litteken – aye

K. Schmitz – aye

K. Eversgerd – aye.

#### 10. NEW BUSINESS:

Larry Harper asked Seth to look at the Russland Road project. Seth presented a drawing as he stated IDOT will require project specifics. Seth will get the info from Rhuanna and get back with the Board.

Larry discussed building improvements such as doors, windows and a garage door. Larry stated he had an estimate from Clinton County Garage Doors for \$973 to replace the garage door. He is also getting estimates from Aviston Lumber and Al Billhartz for doors, windows and installation costs. This will all be available at the February meeting.

A motion to adjourn was made by Larry Harper, second by Kurt Schmitz. Motion carried 5-0. Time was 8:44pm