

The Dwight Village Board of Trustees met in regular session on Monday, June 25, 2012 at 6:30 p.m. with the meeting being called to order by President Bill Wilkey. Roll call was as follows:

Present:

Bill Wilkey	President
Justin Eggenberger	Trustee
Jared Anderson	"
Marla Kinkade	"
Nick Kester	"
Tim Dougherty	"

Absent:

Mike Woods	Trustee
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Other Village officials in attendance were Village Administrator Kevin McNamara, Police Chief Tim Henson, Public Works Director David Bozarth, EMS Director Al Metzke, Village Attorney Gary Neville, and Village Engineer Ryan Hansen.

President Wilkey led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

A motion was made by Kinkade and seconded by Kester to approve the minutes of the June 11, 2012 regular Village Board meeting. Roll call was as follows: Eggenberger-aye; Anderson-aye; Kinkade-aye; Kester-aye; Dougherty-aye. Motion carried, 5 – 0.

The bills were presented for payment from the various funds in the amount of \$42,378.19. A motion was made by Kinkade and seconded by Dougherty to pay bills as submitted. Roll call was as follows: Eggenberger-aye; Anderson-aye; Kinkade-aye; Kester-aye; Dougherty-aye. Motion carried, 5 – 0.

A motion to approve the May 2012 Treasurer's report (account balance \$2,416,569.44) as submitted by Village Treasurer, Diane Jensen was made by Kester and seconded by Dougherty. Roll call was as follows: Eggenberger-aye; Anderson-aye; Kinkade-aye; Kester-aye; Dougherty-aye. Motion carried, 5 – 0.

A motion was made by Anderson and seconded by Kinkade to approve a fund transfer of \$70,794.55 from the Sewer Fund (52) to the Sewer Replacement Reserve Fund (33) for the purpose of paying principal and interest on the 1998 EPA Loan. Roll call was as follows: Eggenberger-aye; Anderson-aye; Kinkade-aye; Kester-aye; Dougherty-aye. Motion carried, 5 – 0.

In Public Forum, Alex McWilliams, 123 W. Mazon Ave., reported on Dwight Main Street's Cruise Night which was held Saturday, June 23rd. McWilliams said it was the most successful Cruise Night they've sponsored to date. There were one hundred, thirty-four (134) registrations, with forty-two (42) of them from Dwight, and over three hundred (300) participants, which didn't include the many people who came downtown to enjoy the evening. McWilliams thanked the Village for their support, and Trustee Eggenberger thanked McWilliams and Dwight Main Street for putting on the event.

Dave Bossert, 107 W. North St., spoke out against the Video Gaming Ordinance which was on the agenda for tonight's meeting. Bossert felt that video gaming is very addictive, and that the social cost of the addiction would be higher than the revenue. He also thought there would be more problems with addiction where drinking is involved.

Tom Tock, 410 W. Delaware St., asked about the electric vehicle charging stations. McNamara said the stations are computerized and two (2) vehicles could be charged at once at the Ambler's Station/Welcome Center. The stations are partly funded by a State grant, and the Village's portion would come from tourism funds.

Lance Leeds, 304 Prospect, spoke in opposition of the Video Gaming Ordinance saying the

collateral cost will negate any revenue gain, and it introduces another negative thing into the community. Also said this is not a State mandate and the Village has a choice whether to pass it or not.

Erv Daniels, representing the Dwight V.F.W., spoke in favor of the Video Gaming Ordinance, saying their organization depends on certain gaming and such to support their veterans' programs. Daniels said it's an individual's choice.

Marty Soellner, 303 S. Chicago, spoke in favor of the Video Gaming Ordinance, saying it was a struggle to keep the American Legion open. If they would've had this kind of revenue, they could've stayed open longer.

Marsha Bennett, 136 S. Bannon, spoke in opposition of the Video Gaming Ordinance. She felt that the young people didn't need another vice shoved in front of them, and this would give parents one more battle to fight.

Ben Marshall, 407 E. Seminole St., spoke in opposition of the Video Gaming Ordinance. Marshall said the "house" usually wins and the people of Dwight would be the losers.

Rick Stevenson, 319 W. South St., spoke in favor of the Video Gaming Ordinance, saying the revenue would be great for extra income for his business and the Village. People wouldn't have to go to Joliet.

Nick Lennox, owner of Dwight Music and Games, said there is already an underground market for gaming and the State and Village are not getting a cut of that revenue. Lennox stated that he estimates the Village of Dwight could gain \$100,000 a year off of video gaming. Lennox said the business owners would be losing customers to other communities that have opted in.

Randy Irvin, 316 Linden, said people have a freedom of choice whether to play video gaming or not.

Pat Waldrop, 103 Bannon, said in researching lottery advertising, the money does not always fund schools as purported. Waldrop feels the revenue numbers for Dwight and the State of Illinois are murky. In regards to gambling addiction, Waldrop said his research claims that the vast majority of people would not become addicted to gambling, but still wondered if the short term gain would be worth it.

Jennifer Soellner, 303 S. Chicago St., said her son used to be a compulsive video game player and now makes his living as a computer engineer. Soellner said parenting and personal responsibility should play a role in this debate.

President Wilkey reported the following:

- Toured the Dwight Correctional Center with Senator Rezin, Representative Roth, and Warden Thompson. Encouraged people to continue to contact Governor Quinn;
- Dempsey's has cars coming into their used car business;
- Spuds Inc. has signed a contract with a company in Japan to buy their product;
- Station 343 Restaurant in downtown Dwight is looking good.

The June 18, 2012 Ordinance Committee meeting minutes were read by Trustee Anderson. The Committee discussed the following: an ordinance vacating the south pedestrian crossing at the depot; an ordinance amending Chapter Six regarding part-time police officers to comply with the Illinois Law Enforcement Training and Standards Board requirements; a request from the Dwight Grade School Board for a variance from the nuisance ordinance in regards to the height of grass; an ordinance allowing video gaming and establishing a licensing fee for such.

A motion was made by Kester and seconded by Eggenberger to pass Ordinance No. 1317 entitled "An Ordinance Vacating the Pathway and Permanently Closing the South Depot Pedestrian Crossing at Milepost 73.64 in the Village of Dwight, Illinois". Roll call was as follows: Eggenberger-aye; Anderson-aye; Kinkade-aye; Kester-aye; Dougherty-aye. Motion carried, 5 – 0.

ORDINANCE NO. 1317 IS ON FILE IN THE VILLAGE CLERK'S OFFICE

A motion was made by Eggenberger and seconded by Dougherty to pass Ordinance No. 1318 entitled "An Ordinance Amending Chapter Six (6), Community Protection and Administration, Article I, Police Department, of the Municipal Code of the Village of Dwight". Roll call was as follows: Eggenberger-aye; Anderson-aye; Kinkade-aye; Kester-aye; Dougherty-aye. Motion carried, 5 – 0.

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No action was taken on the Dwight Grade School variance request to allow the grass on the south and west side of the grade school to grow to a height where it could be bailed, thereby saving money on mowing and producing some revenue. The Ordinance Committee felt that it would be setting a bad precedent.

Trustee Eggenberger said another community close to Dwight had tabled their decision on video gaming in order to gather more information, and suggested that Dwight do the same.

A motion was made by Eggenberger and seconded by Kinkade to table the Ordinance allowing Video Gaming and the related Ordinance regarding licensing fees until the next Village Board meeting on July 9, 2012. Roll call was as follows: Eggenberger-aye; Anderson-aye; Kinkade-aye; Kester-aye; Dougherty-aye. Motion carried, 5 – 0.

Trustee Dougherty read the minutes of the June 19, 2012 Properties Committee meeting. The Committee discussed the following: John St. repair proposals; street and alley repair; curb and gutter on William St.; applying for an OSLAND grant; update on ITEP bike trail grant.

A motion was made by Kinkade and seconded by Eggenberger to accept Anderson Concrete's proposal for repair of the south end of John St. with seven (7) inches of concrete for \$4,800, and repair of approximately eight hundred (800) square feet of the alley just to the west of the Public Services Complex with six (6) inches of concrete for \$3,300. Roll call was as follows: Eggenberger-aye; Anderson-aye; Kinkade-aye; Kester-aye; Dougherty-aye. Motion carried, 5 – 0.

Engineer Hansen supplied the Board with two quotes for spray patch work for streets and alleys. One was from Grosso Trucking for \$14,000, and the other was from Midstate Asphalt Repair for \$14,637.50. Hansen said he has received good recommendations on Grosso and recommended them for the spray patch work for the Village.

A motion was made by Eggenberger and seconded by Kinkade to award the spray patch work for streets and alleys to Grosso Trucking in the amount of \$14,000. Roll call was as follows: Eggenberger-aye; Anderson-aye; Kinkade-aye; Kester-aye; Dougherty-aye. Motion carried, 5 – 0.

Trustee Eggenberger suggested that Public Works Director Bozarth should be included in determining what streets and alleys need repair, along with himself, Dougherty, and Hanson as stated in the minutes.

There was some discussion on the William St. curb and gutter work. Trustee Anderson said work on William St. was discussed six (6) months ago and wasn't put in the budget. At the time, Anderson thought new water mains were needed there, not sewer lines. He wasn't sure the Village could afford the additional \$247,000 that the excavation & aggregate base and curb & gutter will cost. Eggenberger asked if Anderson would agree to only doing the excavation & base work now while Brandt Builders can do it as a change order to their current work. Engineer Hanson commented that he didn't think the residents of that area would like having gravel only for a couple of years. Trustee Kinkade questioned if the excavation & aggregate base is not done now by Brandt's for the \$97,000, wouldn't it cost more down the road? Anderson was bothered that "other things were needed and thrown away" and now the Village is "tied into this thing for \$500,000".

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A motion was then made by Anderson and seconded by Dougherty to approve Change Order #1 from Brandt Builders to do excavation work and put in an eight (8) inch aggregate base on E. William St. from Franklin St. to Route 47 for \$97,599.00. Roll call was as follows: Eggenberger-aye; Anderson-aye; Kinkade-aye; Kester-aye; Dougherty-aye. Motion carried, 5 – 0.

A motion was made by Dougherty and seconded by Kinkade to authorize Village Engineer Hanson to put the William St. curb, gutter, and paving out for bid. Roll call was as follows: Eggenberger-aye; Anderson-no; Kinkade-aye; Kester-no; Dougherty-aye; Wilkey-aye. Motion carried, 4 – 2.

A motion was made by Eggenberger and seconded by Kinkade to authorize Hanson to put the sidewalk installation on the north side of William St. from Franklin St. to Route 47 out for bid. Roll call was as follows: Eggenberger-aye; Anderson-no; Kinkade-aye; Kester-no; Dougherty-aye; Wilkey-aye. Motion carried, 4 – 2.

The Administration Committee met at 6:00 p.m. prior to tonight's Village Board meeting to hear the results of the Fiscal Year 2012 audit as presented by Tawnya Mack of Mack & Associates.

A motion was made by Eggenberger and seconded by Kester to accept the FY 2012 audit as presented by Mack & Associates. Roll call was as follows: Eggenberger-aye; Anderson-aye; Kinkade-aye; Kester-aye; Dougherty-aye. Motion carried, 5 – 0.

There being no further business, a motion to adjourn was made by Kester and seconded by Anderson. All voted aye by voice vote. The meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

APPROVED:

Bill Wilkey, Village President

ATTEST:

Patricia E. Drechsel, Village Clerk