

The Dwight Village Board of Trustees met in regular session on Monday, December 16, 2013 at 6:30 p.m. with the meeting being called to order by President Jared Anderson. In the absence of Village Clerk Drechsel, Administrator McNamara will take the minutes. Roll call was as follows:

Present:

Jared Anderson	President
Randy Irvin	Trustee
Justin Eggenberger	"
Marla Kinkade	"
Nick Kester	"
Tim Dougherty	"
Jerry Curtis	"

Other Village officials in attendance were Village Administrator Kevin McNamara, EMS Director Alan Metzke, Public Works Director David Bozarth, Police Chief Henson and Village Engineer Ryan Hansen.

President Anderson led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

A motion was made by Kinkade and seconded by Curtis to approve the minutes of the November 25, 2013 regular Village Board meeting. Roll call was as follows: Irvin-aye; Eggenberger-aye; Kinkade-aye; Kester-abstain; Dougherty-aye; Curtis-aye. Motion carried, 5 – 0 – 1 Abstention.

The bills were presented for payment from the various funds in the amount of \$143,997.90. A motion was made by Kester and seconded by Dougherty to pay the bills as submitted. Roll call was as follows: Irvin-aye; Eggenberger-aye; Kinkade-aye; Kester-aye; Dougherty-aye; Curtis-aye. Motion carried, 6 – 0.

A motion was made by Kester and seconded by Dougherty to authorize payment of the end of month bills since the next Village Board meeting has been cancelled. Roll call was as follows: Irvin-aye; Eggenberger-aye; Kinkade-aye; Kester-aye; Dougherty-aye; Curtis-aye. Motion carried, 6 – 0.

A motion was made by Curtis and seconded by Dougherty to approve the November 2013 Treasurer’s report as submitted by Village Treasurer Diane Jensen showing a balance in all funds of \$2,680,291.13. Roll call was as follows: Irvin-aye; Eggenberger-aye; Kinkade-aye; Kester-aye; Dougherty-aye; Curtis-aye. Motion carried, 6 – 0.

A motion was made by Kinkade and seconded by Dougherty to transfer \$3655.00 from the Water Fund (51) to the Water Capital Project Fund (32). This amount represents 2.5% of water sales receipts from Oct. 2013 & Nov. 2013. Roll call was as follows: Irvin-aye; Eggenberger-aye; Kinkade-aye; Kester-aye; Dougherty-aye; Curtis-aye. Motion carried, 6 – 0.

A motion was made by Kester and seconded by Kinkade to transfer \$3556.00 from the Sewer Fund (52) to the Sewer Replacement Reserve Fund (33). This amount represents 2.5% of sewer sales receipts from Oct. 2013 & Nov. 2013. Roll call was as follows: Irvin-aye; Eggenberger-aye; Kinkade-aye; Kester-aye; Dougherty-aye; Curtis-aye. Motion carried, 6 – 0.

President Anderson thanked Public Works Director Bozarth and his Department for a nice job on cleaning the streets the past weekend.

McNamara presented the annual Tax Levy Ordinance. It shows a tax levy of \$632,000. 00. McNamara explained this was the fifth consecutive year the Village had requested a levy of \$632,000.00 without a tax increase to the residents of the Village.

A motion was made by Kester and seconded by Kinkade to approve Ordinance #1337, “An Ordinance for the Levy and Assessment of Taxes of \$632,000.00 for the current year.” Roll call was as follows: Irvin-aye; Eggenberger-aye; Kinkade-aye; Kester-aye; Dougherty-aye; Curtis-aye. Motion carried, 6 – 0.

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A motion was made by Kinkade and seconded by Kester to pass Ordinance No. 1338, "An Ordinance abating the tax heretofore levied for the Year 2013 to pay the principal of and interest on \$1,000,000 General Obligation Bonds (Alternate Revenue Source), Series 2005, of the Village of Dwight, Livingston and Grundy Counties, Illinois". The amount of tax abated for the year 2013 is \$123,060.00. Roll call was as follows: Irvin-aye; Eggenberger-aye; Kinkade-aye; Kester-aye; Dougherty-aye; Curtis-aye. Motion carried, 6 – 0.

ORDINANCE NO. 1338 IS ON FILE IN THE VILLAGE CLERK'S OFFICE

A motion was made by Kinkade and seconded by Irvin to pass Ordinance No. 1339, "An Ordinance abating the tax heretofore levied for the Year 2013 to pay the principal of and interest on \$630,000 General Obligation Refunding Bonds (Alternate Revenue Source), Series 2009, of the Village of Dwight, Livingston and Grundy Counties, Illinois". The amount of tax abated for the year 2013 is \$109,845.00. Roll call was as follows: Irvin-aye; Eggenberger-aye; Kinkade-aye; Kester-aye; Dougherty-aye; Curtis-aye. Motion carried, 6 – 0.

ORDINANCE NO. 1339 IS ON FILE IN THE VILLAGE CLERK'S OFFICE

A motion was made by Dougherty and seconded by Kinkade to pass Ordinance No. 1340, "An Ordinance abating the tax heretofore levied for the Year 2013 to pay the principal of and interest on \$1,840,000 General Obligation Waterworks Refunding Bonds, Series 2010, of the Village of Dwight, Livingston and Grundy Counties, Illinois". The amount of tax abated for the year 2013 is \$346,168.00. Roll call was as follows: Irvin-aye; Eggenberger-aye; Kinkade-aye; Kester-aye; Dougherty-aye; Curtis-aye. Motion carried, 6 – 0.

ORDINANCE NO. 1340 IS ON FILE IN THE VILLAGE CLERK'S OFFICE

Trustee Dougherty read the minutes of the December 2, 2013 Public Properties Committee meeting. Agenda items discussed were Bridge Inspection report, 2014 MFT Projects, 2014 Budget items including Tennis Court repair, Playground equipment options, Pool repairs, and Sales Tax Infrastructure Discussion.

The Committee reviewed the Christopher Burke Engineering bridge inspection report. Crack sealing was the issue at the Chippewa, Delaware, and Franklin Street bridges. The Board recommends they be filled by the contractor doing road repairs next summer. The South Street bridge shows exposed abutments and the recommendation is to replace the missing riprap at both abutments. Kester made a motion, seconded by Kinkade to have Riber Construction replace riprap and remove accumulated dirt and silt at the South Street Bridge not to exceed \$12,000.00. Roll call was as follows: Irvin-aye; Eggenberger-aye; Kinkade-aye; Kester-aye; Dougherty-aye; Curtis-aye. Motion carried, 6 – 0.

The Committee discussed 2014 MFT projects and street repairs. They reviewed the 2010 street ratings list prepared by Hansen. McNamara stated he felt there would be roughly \$200,000 in the MFT Fund for work next year. After discussion and review of projects and cost, the committee recommends that Seminole from Clinton to Franklin, Carriage House Lane from South Street to the Library and Clinton from Mazon to the Chippewa alley be bid out for repair. Kinkade made a motion, seconded by Irvin to authorize the 2014 Motor Fuel Tax projects and have Christopher Burke Engineering draw up specs and begin the paperwork. Roll call was as follows: Irvin-aye; Eggenberger-aye; Kinkade-aye; Kester-aye; Dougherty-aye; Curtis-aye. Motion carried, 6 – 0.

The Committee continued discussion on placing a referendum on the March, 2014 ballot to increase local sales tax to be used strictly for infrastructure repairs. Non-Home Rule communities may impose a Sales tax for public infrastructure of up to 1%, in ¼% increments if approved by referendum by its voters. Approval and imposition of an additional 0.05% Sales Tax in Dwight would currently bring in roughly an additional \$300,000 per year to be used strictly for infrastructure: roads, sidewalks, sewer lines, water lines improvements. The tax does not apply to non-prepared groceries, prescriptions, medical appliances, and titled or registered property with the State. The Committee recommends that the Ordinance be drawn up that will place a question on the March, 2014 ballot for approval of a 0.5% sales tax on merchandise sold in the Village to fund needed street improvements and other infrastructure related plans. Kester clarified that if approved the additional sales tax monies collected would be used strictly for infrastructure upgrades and asked that there be a concerted effort made to

inform the public as to the pros of passing such a referendum leading up to the referendum. Curtis made a motion with a second from Irvin to approve placing a question on the March 18, 2014 ballot to approve a 0.05% sales tax increase in the Village of Dwight. Roll call was as follows: Irvin-aye; Eggenberger-aye; Kinkade-aye; Kester-aye; Dougherty-aye; Curtis-aye. Motion carried, 6 – 0.

Kinkade made a motion with a second from Curtis to approve Ordinance No. 1341, An Ordinance to cause a proposition to authorize the Village of Dwight to impose by ordinance a non-home rule municipal retailers' occupation tax and a non-home rule municipal service occupation tax at the rate of 0.5% to be submitted to the electors of the Village at the Primary Election to be held on March 18, 2014. Roll call was as follows: Irvin-aye; Eggenberger-aye; Kinkade-aye; Kester-aye; Dougherty-aye; Curtis-aye. Motion carried, 6 – 0.

ORDINANCE NO. 1341 IS ON FILE IN THE VILLAGE CLERK'S OFFICE

Trustee Kinkade read the minutes of the December 2, 2013 Utilities Committee meeting. Agenda items discussed were Sewer Plant grinder and other repair items, Well 101, water valve at Spencer Street, water line projects, water tower painting, meters and funding.

The Committee reviewed options to repair or replace the grinder at the sewer plant and recommended the grinder be rebuilt at the cost of \$20,869.00. Curtis made a motion with a second from Irvin to have the grinder rebuilt at a cost of \$20,869.00. Roll call was as follows: Irvin-aye; Eggenberger-aye; Kinkade-aye; Kester-aye; Dougherty-aye; Curtis-aye. Motion carried, 6 – 0.

Irvin made a motion with a second from Eggenberger to replace the diffusers in the 977 tank at the sewer plant for a cost of \$700.00. Roll call was as follows: Irvin-aye; Eggenberger-aye; Kinkade-aye; Kester-aye; Dougherty-aye; Curtis-aye. Motion carried, 6 – 0.

Kinkade reported the installation of a 10" valve on the water line at Spencer and Chicago Streets will be done in-house and acceptance of the proposal from Hoerr Construction to do the work will not be necessary.

Kinkade reported the Committee discussed the replacement of water lines, particularly on Mazon Avenue in the vicinity of the railroad tracks; water tower painting; installation of smart water meters Village wide; and the possibility of issuing a bond to pay for the projects. After discussion it was determined to hold off on any borrowing at this time.

McNamara reported nine Requests for Proposals for Ambulance Personnel were sent to providers with a bid opening date of November 26, 2013. Four proposals were received from Riverside EMS-\$423,000.00, Kurtz Paramedic-\$472,952.00, Public Safety Services-\$477,323.00, and ATS Medical Services-\$600,031.25. McNamara stated Riverside EMS did not bid on what was requested so their RFP was disqualified. While their personnel work 24 hours they only pay them for 16 hours. Their employees receive a sleep period stipend unless they are called out. Riverside EMS also state in their proposal that "One EMT-Intermediate or One EMT-Basic may be utilized in lieu of a second paramedic." Curtis made a motion with a second from Eggenberger to enter into a four year agreement for EMT personnel with Kurtz Paramedic Services, Inc., New Lenox, Illinois for \$472,952.00 and authorized the Administrator to negotiate terms for a fifth year. Roll call was as follows: Irvin-aye; Eggenberger-aye; Kinkade-aye; Kester-no; Dougherty-no; Curtis-aye. Motion carried, 4 – 2.

Mayor Anderson read a letter from Robert DeMarse regarding his property at 123 W. Seminole Street. The Village Board had previously given him an extension until December 1, 2013 to have the rear foundation complete and enclosed. The letter stated Mr. DeMarse had 5 courses out of 11 courses laid on the rear addition walls and that he cannot lay the block once the weather falls below 32 degrees. The Board advised McNamara to not allow Mr. DeMarse any other building permits on any of his properties until this one is complete. Trustee Irvin would also like Mr. DeMarse informed to keep the fence up until the hole is back filled even if it means putting up a second fence.

In new business the Board reviewed the 2014 Village Board meeting dates as presented by Village Clerk Drechsel. Village Clerk Drechsel directed the Board's attention to two (2) dates that fall on legal holidays, May 26th Memorial Day, and October 13th Columbus Day, even though Village offices are open on Columbus Day.

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A motion was made by Irvin and seconded by Kinkade to approve the following Village Board meeting dates for 2014. All meetings fall on the 2nd and 4th Mondays of the month and begin at 6:30 p.m. at the Public Services Complex, 209 S. Prairie Ave., Dwight, IL:

January 13th and 27th
February 10th and 24th
March 10th and 24th
April 14th and 28th
May 12th
June 9th and 23rd
July 14th and 28th
August 11th and 25th
September 8th and 22nd
October 27th
November 10th and 24th
December 8th and 22nd

Roll call was as follows: Irvin-aye; Eggenberger-aye; Kinkade-aye; Kester-aye; Dougherty-aye; Curtis-aye. Motion carried, 6-0.

Village Clerk Drechsel also submitted for consideration 2014 meeting dates for the Dwight Plan Commission and Zoning Board of Appeals in accordance with State of Illinois Statute, 5 ILCS 120/2.02(a). Trustee Kinkade made a motion, seconded by Trustee Curtis to approve the following dates and times:

January 21st
February 18th
March 18th
April 15th
May 20th
June 17th
July 15th
August 19th
September 16th
October 21st
November 18th
December 16th

The Plan Commission meetings shall begin at 6:00 p.m. The Zoning Board of Appeals meetings shall begin at 6:30 p.m. Both meetings will be held in the lower level of the Public Services Complex, 209 S. Prairie Ave., Dwight, IL, in the Board Room. Roll call was as follows: Irvin-aye; Eggenberger-aye; Kinkade-aye; Kester-aye; Dougherty-aye; Curtis-aye. Motion carried, 6-0.

There being no further business, a motion to adjourn was made by Kinkade and seconded by Curtis. All voted aye by voice vote. The meeting adjourned at 7:16 p.m.

APPROVED:

Jared Anderson, Village President

ATTEST:

Kevin McNamara, Village Administrator