

The Dwight Village Board of Trustees met in regular session on Monday, January 13, 2014 at 6:30 p.m. with the meeting being called to order by President Jared Anderson. Roll call was as follows:

Present:

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

Other Village officials in attendance were Village Administrator Kevin McNamara, Police Chief Tim Henson, Public Works Director David Bozarth, and Village Attorney Gary Neville.

President Anderson led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

A motion was made by Curtis and seconded by Kinkade to approve the minutes of the December 16, 2013 regular Village Board meeting. Roll call was as follows: Eggenberger-aye; Kinkade-aye; Kester-aye; Dougherty-aye; Curtis-aye; Irvin-aye. Motion carried, 6 – 0.

The bills were presented for payment from the various funds in the amount of \$86,426.70. A motion was made by Kinkade and seconded by Dougherty to pay the bills as submitted. Roll call was as follows: Eggenberger-aye; Kinkade-aye; Kester-aye; Dougherty-aye; Curtis-aye; Irvin-aye. Motion carried, 6 – 0.

Village Comptroller Drechsel requested a fund transfer of \$70,794.55 from the Sewer Fund to the Sewer Replacement Reserve Fund for the purpose of paying principal and interest on the 1998 IEPA wastewater treatment plant loan, L17-1046.

A motion was made by Kester and seconded by Kinkade to approve the \$70,794.55 transfer from the Sewer Fund to the Sewer Replacement Reserve Fund. Roll call was as follows: Eggenberger-aye; Kinkade-aye; Kester-aye; Dougherty-aye; Curtis-aye; Irvin-aye. Motion carried, 6 – 0.

President Anderson reported on the following:

- Reminder of the Main Street program presentation at the Country Mansion Restaurant on Jan. 16<sup>th</sup> which will focus on how towns can revitalize their downtown areas;
- Property on W. Chippewa St. will be used for a Habitat for Humanity house, with groundbreaking at the end of February. A house on Seminole St. may also be used as a Habitat house if the flood plain status can be removed.

McNamara reported that the new economic development group met and appointed Alex McWilliams as Chairperson. Max Sulzburger is Vice Chairperson. Meetings will be the first Monday of the month at 4:00 p.m. at the Public Services Complex. Business owners are encouraged to attend the meetings.

Chief Henson thanked Public Works Director Bozarth and his crew for a job well done in cleaning up after the recent heavy snowfall. Henson also thanked DeLong Ford for the use of a four-wheel drive vehicle during the snow event.

Henson also reported:

- Officer Mark Scott recently had his 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary working for the Village of Dwight;
- Officer Watson McKee is recovering from his auto accident at his parents' home in Piper City. All are hoping for a full recovery.

Administrator McNamara reported that Dwight Elementary School is discussing the possibility of turning seven (7) acres of property next to the school into tillable soil to plant

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crops. The profit would be split 50/50 between the farmer who plants the crop and the school. McNamara said the Village Board needs to discuss this at the next meeting, as he doesn't believe the planting of crops is allowed within Village limits. He said the other concern is that if this area is turned into a corn or bean field, there will be no other place in the Village for the annual 4<sup>th</sup> of July fireworks to be held.

McNamara also wanted to remind all the businesses in town that as of January 1, 2014, the sales tax rate in Livingston County is 7.25%.

In new business, Duncan Miller submitted a liquor license application and proof of liquor liability insurance for his business, Cherry Red Roasters BBQ, LLC, 207 E. Delaware St., Dwight. The license requested is for Class A – consumption on premises only.

A motion was made by Dougherty and seconded by Kester to approve the Class A liquor license for Cherry Red Roasters BBQ, LLC at 207 E. Delaware St., Dwight. Roll call was as follows: Eggenberger-aye; Kinkade-abstain; Kester-aye; Dougherty-aye; Curtis-aye; Irvin-aye. Motion carried, 5 – 0 – 1.

There being no further business, a motion to adjourn was made by Dougherty and seconded by Kester. All voted aye by voice vote. The meeting adjourned at 6:45 p.m.

APPROVED:

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Jared Anderson, Village President

ATTEST:

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Patricia E. Drechsel, Village Clerk