

The Dwight Village Board of Trustees met in regular session on Monday, July 13, 2015 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
Tim Dougherty	Trustee
Jim Mixen	"
Randy Irvin	"
Marla Kinkade	"

Absent:

Jerry Curtis	Trustee
Justin Eggenberger	"

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

President Anderson led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

A motion was made by Mixen and seconded by Kinkade to approve the minutes of the June 22, 2015 regular Village Board meeting. Roll call was as follows: Dougherty-aye; Mixen-aye; Irvin-aye; Kinkade-aye. Motion carried, 4 – 0.

The bills were presented for payment from the various funds in the amount of \$166,258.08. A motion was made by Kinkade and seconded by Mixen to pay the bills as submitted. Roll call was as follows: Dougherty-aye; Mixen-aye; Irvin-aye; Kinkade-aye. Motion carried, 4 – 0.

In a memo from Comptroller Drechsel, approval of the following fund transfers was requested:

\$70,794.55 from the Sewer Fund (52) to the Sewer Replacement Reserve Fund (33) for the purpose of paying principal and interest on IEPA Loan L17-1046.

\$475.00 from the Water Fund (51) to the Water Bond Fund (41) for the purpose of paying the Fiscal Agent Fee on the bonds.

A motion was made by Dougherty 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: Dougherty-aye; Mixen-aye; Irvin-aye; Kinkade-aye. Motion carried, 4 – 0.

A motion was made by Dougherty and seconded by Kinkade to approve the \$475.00 transfer from the Water Fund to the Water Bond Fund. Roll call was as follows: Dougherty-aye; Mixen-aye; Irvin-aye; Kinkade-aye. Motion carried, 4 – 0.

In Public Forum, Tom Tock asked if there was any feedback from a letter he gave to Village Trustees regarding vacant housing and homes in disrepair, and how the city of Herscher has a plan in place to rectify the problem. President Anderson said the Village of Dwight has ordinances in place for such nuisances, but we don't get any support from Livingston County when it comes to taking the issue to court. McNamara indicated that the judge won't approve the Village demolishing a property if the homeowner shows an effort in fixing it up.

Christian Kobel asked what is being done about the house on E. Delaware St. that was destroyed by fire. Chief Henson said the Village is in the process of trying to contact the owner of the property to have the remains of the house demolished, since he will not be rebuilding.

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Mr. Kobel also commented on the Administration Committee's discussion on raising the sales tax that he had seen in the Dwight newspaper. He said the last sales tax referendum was voted down, but he would stand behind a sales tax increase if the funds were to go toward infrastructure improvements.

Mr. Kobel suggested the Village look into grants that are available for sidewalk, bicycle, and pedestrian pathway programs.

Tom Ivey asked when the Village was going to start spraying for mosquitos. McNamara responded that the Village stopped spraying for mosquitos years ago because of respiratory health concerns to some residents. The Village places briquettes into the drains around town to kill the larvae. It was suggested that homeowners can also help decrease the mosquito population by emptying buckets, bird baths, and getting rid of any standing water on their property.

Three resolutions were presented granting permanent and/or temporary easements to the Illinois Department of Transportation as they relate to the redesign of the railroad intersections for high speed rail.

A motion was made by Kinkade and seconded by Irvin to pass Resolution No. 2015-09 granting permanent and temporary easements for Parcel 3T1N500. Roll call was as follows: Dougherty-aye; Mixen-aye; Irvin-aye; Kinkade-aye. Motion carried, 4 – 0.

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-09 IS ON FILE IN THE VILLAGE CLERK'S OFFICE

A motion was made by Mixen and seconded by Dougherty to pass Resolution No. 2015-10 granting permanent and temporary easements for Parcel 3T1N501. Roll call was as follows: Dougherty-aye; Mixen-aye; Irvin-aye; Kinkade-aye. Motion carried, 4 – 0.

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A motion was made by Dougherty and seconded by Irvin to pass Resolution No. 2015-11 granting temporary easements for Parcel 3T1N524. Roll call was as follows: Dougherty-aye; Mixen-aye; Irvin-aye; Kinkade-aye. Motion carried, 4 – 0.

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President Anderson reported PharmaCann, the medicinal cannabis cultivation center east of town, is taking applications over their website. Interviews will start being conducted sometime next week.

Public Works Director Kinkade reported:

- A pump was replaced at Watter's Dr. lift station, and another is being repaired;
- Sump pumps are still discharging into the sewer system, and asked that they be removed;
- Grass is still being mowed into the street and clogging up sewer drains. Said he would appreciate help from the citizens in alleviating that problem.

President Anderson requested Public Works come up with a plan for periodically replacing pumps.

Chief Henson said ESDA was out on storm watch tonight. He reiterated Kinkade's plea for residents to stop mowing into the streets, and encouraged people to call in any blatant violations.

Henson also reported that off duty Dwight police officers would be providing security out at PharmaCann until the company has their security detail in place.

President Anderson read the minutes of the June 30th Administration Committee meeting. Agenda items discussed: 1) Possibility of placing a sales tax increase referendum on the

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March 2016 ballot; 2) Update on High Speed Rail; 3) EMS funding for providing service for out of Dwight's district.

In new business, the Motor Fuel Tax Compliance Review for the period of January 1, 2013 through December 31, 2014 was presented for approval. The MFT funds were found to be in balance.

A motion was made by Mixen and seconded by Irvin to accept the MFT Compliance Review findings. Roll call was as follows: Dougherty-aye; Mixen-aye; Irvin-aye; Kinkade-aye. Motion carried, 4 – 0.

Larry Sauer of the RonDeVoo Tavern submitted a request for motorcycle only parking in the parking plaza area across from the RonDeVoo, 112 S. Franklin St., for a benefit on August 1, 2015 from 10:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m., for the Midwest Shelter for Homeless Veterans.

A motion was made by Mixen and seconded by Dougherty to approve the motorcycle parking request as submitted by Mr. Sauer. Roll call was as follows: Dougherty-aye; Mixen-aye; Irvin-aye; Kinkade-aye. Motion carried, 4 – 0.

A Sound Amplification Permit application was submitted by Shayla Samples, a representative of the Dwight Economic Alliance, for the Taste of Dwight event at Renfrew Park from noon to 8:30 p.m. on August 9, 2015.

A motion was made by Mixen and seconded by Irvin to approve the Sound Amplification Permit as submitted by the D.E.A. Roll call was as follows: Dougherty-aye; Mixen-aye; Irvin-aye; Kinkade-aye. Motion carried, 4 – 0.

A liquor license application was submitted by Luan Ahmedi for Lu's Sports Bar & Grill, Inc., 152 E. Main St., Dwight. The application is requesting a Class A license, consumption on the premises only. President Anderson said the background check on Mr. Ahmedi came back clean.

A motion was made by Kinkade and seconded by Dougherty to approve the liquor license application as submitted by Luan Ahmedi. Roll call was as follows: Dougherty-aye; Mixen-aye; Irvin-aye; Kinkade-aye. Motion carried, 4 – 0.

Trustee Dougherty asked when Cory Scoles would be named Sewer Plant Operator. McNamara said an additional employee needs to be hired first. McNamara indicated that Committee meetings need to be set up for several agenda items.

There being no further business, a motion to adjourn was made by Dougherty and seconded by Mixen. All voted aye by voice vote. The meeting adjourned at 7:26 p.m.

APPROVED:

Jared Anderson, Village President

ATTEST:

Patricia E. Drechsel, Village Clerk