



Village of Caseyville

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REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES September 21, 2016

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Trustee

BRIAN RADER
Supt. of Public Works

FRANK MOORE
Chief of Police

Call to Order:

The regular meeting of the Village of Caseyville was called to order at 7:00 P.M. by Mayor Leonard Black. The meeting was held on Wednesday, September 21, 2016 in the Council Chambers at 909 South Main, Caseyville, IL 62232.

The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance and silent prayer.

Roll Call:

John Buckley, Brenda Williams, Wally Abernathy, G.W. Scott, Matt Modrovsky, Jackie Mitchell

Board Members absent: Village Attorney, Brian Manion

Others Present: Mayor Leonard Black, Clerk Rob Watt, Superintendent of Public Works, Brian Rader, Chief of Police Frank Moore, and Village Attorney, Thomas Zurliene

Minutes:

A motion was made by Wally Abernathy, seconded by Brenda Williams, to approve the minutes for the Regular Board, Special and Closed Session Meetings held on September 7, 2016, September 12, 2016 and September 15, 2016.

Voting on the motion: All Yeas, No Nays – **Motion Passed.**

Citizen's Input:

- Mary Moore came before the Board to thank Brian Rader and his Public Works crew for fixing the gutter and the drainage near her property.

- Vicki LePlain came before the Board to discuss fixing Brookside Drive. She states that the road is terrible and the ditches need to be dug out because the culvert has caved in. She also would like to address the speeders on the street and the wild maniac that lives down that street that walks around with a gun. She states that he has killed one dog on the street and the Police were aware of that. She states that there needs to be more patrols on the street. Mayor Black asks Chief Frank Moore to add more patrols to Brookside. Mayor Black stated he would get with Brian Rader to let him know where the culverts are.

- Janice Wasser came before the Board to discuss a raise on resident's taxes which she understands. She states what she doesn't understand is that every meeting she has attended, she hears the town is in pretty bad shape and that the Village is going to hire a new person to work in the water department. She asks if this is what is happening and is told yes. She asks if the Village can wait and not hire someone to see if the girls in the Water department can handle the work load along with the two girls from the admin side. She touches on hearing that the Village wants to have each office learn each other's respective jobs. She find out that they are being cross-trained and states that if it is not super busy the other can come over to assist each other. Jackie Mitchell states that this has been done before and items like vacation, time-off and every day duties became a big issue. She states that she talked to the girls and they believe they needed another person in the Water Department. Brian Rader is asked to weigh-in and he goes over the issues with time-off, vacation and other issues that came up and how the third person would alleviate those issues. Ms. Wasser asks him if he could get by with a part-time person to save the Village money. She mentions that there are complaints about the police department and that those officers can't be everywhere at the same time. John Buckley states that they just gave the Police Commissioner the approval to hire another Police Officer and when they give the Board a list they do that. He states that they never denied any hiring's. Janice Wasser asks, for the new position in the Water Office, is the Village taking applications, who do you turn the applications into and who does the hiring. Jackie Mitchell states that the Board does the hiring and adds that when the Board did the hiring for Ambur Petty's position they did extensive testing, training and made the decision that the Board keep that list for a year, which it hasn't been a year yet, and go with the order that

they were ranked in. Ms. Wasser understood that and asked if we knew who that person is. Jackie Mitchell states that the Board has to discuss that. Ms. Wasser brought up the gambling lounge being setup that she heard about at the picnic. Mayor Black states that it was put up to the Board and it is kind of a dead issue right now. She explains that she has older customers that have asked about it and mentions that she heard that it would bring in \$3000 a month. John Buckley states that the gentleman had figures he brought but he didn't know the accuracy. Ms. Wasser states if that business can bring in \$3000 why can't all the bars and businesses in town do the same. She wanted to know if the Village Board votes on this or does the Village residents get to vote on it. Mayor Black states that the Board would vote on it but would have to go through the process to get approval. He mentions he thinks it is going to happen. Ms. Wasser asks if it does come through the process will those living nearby be notified first before it happens. Mayor Black states that they will be notified first by certified mail. Mayor Black brings up the fact to save money to shut down the drive-up window at the Water Department which will allow for one less girl. He states that the Village can get easily by with one less girl. Ms. Wasser states, in her opinion, that you could go with a part-timer or just see how it goes with two girls.

- Karen Davis comes before the Board to discuss that she agrees 100% with it just being two girls and what is wrong with working a little harder. She states that they work their 8 hours and there will be times when you don't have people. She states that there is a drop-off box at the window or pay your bill at the bank. She states why the Village should take on another salary. She then talks about if the part-time job to clean up the Village offices was posted for other people to apply for. Mayor Black states that he does not know if it was posted.
- John Wilson comes before the Board to discuss the employees and states that the biggest money-maker in the Village is the Water Department. He states that they have to get the bills out on time, they work with the water department for shut-offs and water leaks besides just sitting at the window. He mentions about cutting jobs and how much we are paying a fun coordinator how much a year that was stuck in the parks that makes the Village no money. He asks about that salary if you want to talk about wasting money. He states that putting these events in the

Park brings no money to the Village. He talks about losing money and the giveaway of the Soccer Fields which no tax money is coming in off of that. He states before you look at the employees represented by Unions, look at your own contracts. He states would anyone want someone replacing them with part-time workers with no benefits. He states that's what's wrong with this Country, making everyone part-time so no one has anything. He states that this Village has been controlled by the Union, the Union represents the employees, and we need those workers in the Water and Street Departments, the volunteer Fire Department and the Police Department. He states that maybe the residents need to tighten their belts and throw in some dollars to make this a better place to live.

- Brad Vanhoose comes before the Board to say that he agrees partly with John Wilson and Janice Wasser that there are times to cut, there are times to spend, are times to hire and times to slim down. He states that the budgetary issue does not have anything to do with anything except for the legal bills that are excessive and high. He states that is why the Village can't hire anyone, why we are struggling and why the budget is blown. He urges every Trustee to print out the legal invoices since Mayor Black took office for which he thinks the people in the Village would be shocked. He states with the money spent, you could hire 3 more guys in the Water Department and hire another lady in the Water Office. He states that the problem is the legal bills and that it's not because of FOIA requests and things like that, it's optional spending and he touches on the Jose Alvarez case and the absurdity he was treated. He states that in the end, it will be money that will have to be spent. He states the hiring and firing of people would be moot if Mayor Black would not be spending money like a drunk sailor on payday on legal bills.
- MK Dashke comes before the Board to offer a rebuttal to claims concerning her job. She explains she is a contractor and until this year she paid for things out of her own pocket and received payment after showing receipts a month later. She states her job is to bring people into the Village and she is funded by the Tourism Fund not the same fund that the Water department is paid out of.
- Mayor Black states that he is not anti-Union nor is he trying to get rid of a girl in the Water Office. He believes that the Village

can get by without replacing the position. He states that he sits her every meeting listen to matt Modrovsky that we are short on funds and this is an opportunity to save taxpayers about \$80k a year and not really disrupt your service. Jackie Mitchell states that we have a recommendation from Brian Rader, who is the Manager on duty every day and he sees what's going on. She states that Mayor Black doesn't see what's going on and can't blindly say to cut from there. She states that the Water Department makes all the money for the Village. She states if we are going to cut she doesn't see cutting from there. Mayor Black asks if there is a problem for people to mail in or go to the Bank to pay their bills.

Old Business:

- Motion was made by Jackie Mitchell, seconded by Wally Abernathy, to approve the hiring of the next candidate on Employment List to fill Retiree Position effective October 3, 2016.

Jackie Mitchell states that this is to replace a person who is retiring, that this is not a new position and it is in one of the Village's most important departments.

Brenda Williams mentions that when this was discussed that the position would be half Water and half Administrative side because we have no backup for payroll. She states if Leslie Crane is out, these people won't get paid. She mentions that since there is no backup, when Leslie taken time off for vacation she has come in during that vacation to ensure people got paid. She brings up the fact that there are items on the job description concerning water duties but not enough administrative to include payroll, reconciling and putting in the bills. She thinks that we need to take this position and look at what Linda's position was and maybe shift some of the responsibilities and put more administrative side. She also states that if you are going to hire someone than it needs to be posted because it is a completely different job than what the people on the list were being hired for. She states that they are going to be asked to do unless that job is posted and is split more evenly between the two sides. Wally Abernathy states that the next applicant is qualified for both sides. Matt Modrovsky states that the Board did vote on the budget, we did not budget to have a replacement in the Water

Department. He states that everyone received a letter with Denise Logan's payout of \$13k. Jackie Mitchell states that Matt Modrovsky did that on his own and did not get Board approval to cut the salary out. Matt Modrovsky states that everybody sat here in the Finance meetings and there are minutes where we have that. He states that the tax increase was retracted which when the revenue was inflated it added \$42k to that particular line item. He states that on June 9th, 2016, that G.W. Scott stated that by his calculations, that \$180k would be added. He states that he has no problem hiring another person to fill the position the most qualified applicant that the Village can find. He reminds everyone that he stated that U.S. Steel has closed and there are qualified applicants there who work in the payroll department. He states that the Village has to figure out their spending and when we increase our revenue than we retract that it becomes difficult to pay the bills. Wally Abernathy asks if we took in 80 or 90 applications, did we interview all of them, we got down to the final 10, we took the top candidate to fill a position, now the next person on the list is qualified to do both jobs and that is what the Board agreed upon to keep that list for a year. He states that nobody on this Board asked to have that salary taken out of the budget. Matt Modrovsky states they were in meetings that led up to bringing Linda Parmeley to the Village Office to fill-in. G.W. Scott said it was talked about but not approved. He states that is when he and Brenda Williams took that budget and found \$300k of mistakes in it and corrected it. It is asked from the floor if the person is an immediate family member of a Board member and Jackie Mitchell states that the person is not an immediate family member. G.W. Scott says that you guys are playing games with the figures for which Matt Modrovsky responds you can't play game with the figures. It is also mentioned from the floor that since the job description is going to be changed, they are going to have different job duties that obviously it is not the same job that they applied for from the list. It is asked if they were Caseyville residents. Jackie Mitchell states that we tried to do that and tried to be equal. She states that wasn't a requirement but a wish for. Mayor Black asks Matt Modrovsky how much money we are talking about for the new employee. Matt Modrovsky states that a fully loaded employee cost is \$84k. John Wilson asks if this should be discussed in Closed Session. He states that this should have all been done and resolved instead of hanging out your dirty laundry in front of the public. Matt Modrovsky states it was and John Wilson states obviously it

wasn't. A discussion in the crowd concerning disclosure and what should be discussed in the public eye and in closed session takes place.

No further questions on the motion.

Voting on the motion: G.W. Scott - **Yea**, Jackie Mitchell. - **Yea**, Wally Abernathy - **Yea**, John Buckley – **Nay**, Brenda Williams – **Nay**, Matt Modrovsky – **Nay**,

Since the vote was tied, Mayor Black voted initially **Present** but then voted **Nay**.

4 Nays, 3 Yeas – Motion Failed.

New Business:

- Motion was made by Wally Abernathy, seconded by John Buckley, to table Resolution #1643– A Resolution Authorizing a lease agreement with FP Mailing Solutions for a PostBase 20 Postage Meter for three (3) years at \$28.00 per month.

Mayor Black brings forth another proposal from Mailing Methods in Caseyville, a local business. He asks if the Board could table this so the Board Members could compare it and see what they think. Clerk Rob Watt brings up that the only issue is that there needs to be a solution for when the current contract expires on October 3rd until the Board votes on a new contract. Brenda Williams asks if FP Mailing is a Union Business for which Clerk Rob Watt states that he did not know because he did not get all that information. He states that he can get that information and stated that they are the original company that gave the Village the postal meter. He states that no one discussed Mailing Methods and we just need a backup plan. Mayor Black asks who would come up with the plan and Clerk Watt states that the people in the office would just have to go to the post office to have it metered.

No questions on the motion.

Voting on the motion: G.W. Scott - **Yea**, Jackie Mitchell. - **Yea**, Wally Abernathy - **Yea**, John Buckley – **Yea**, Brenda Williams – **Nay**, Matt Modrovsky – **Yea**

5 Yeas, 1 Nay – Motion Passed.

- Motion was made by John Buckley, seconded by Wally Abernathy, to table the approval to give \$500 to Caseyville Grade School.

Brenda Williams explains the reason for the \$500 donation by stating that the teachers are trying to raise money to ensure each student has a spirit and pride T-Shirt for Spirit and Pride Day. She states that they are trying to raise \$2k. John Buckley states that his only issue is if we start here what stops every other organization from asking for donations. He states that we are a taxed community. Brenda Williams states that she did not put this on the Agenda. Mayor Black states that it might have been put on the Agenda by Brian Manion due to conversations that were had. Wally Abernathy states that Brian Manion stated the Village could donate to the school because they were a tax body too. Wally Abernathy asks if this will come out of the Hotel/Motel fund and is told that it will come out of the General Fund. Mayor Black states that he'd rather see each Board Member chip in and doesn't see why the taxpayers have to donate to the school. Mary Moore states that she can talk to her Church about donating. It is also asked from the floor if local businesses were asked to donate and Brenda Williams stated yes and that Ritchie Brothers donated \$500 and Municipal Supplies gave \$100. Janice Wasser stated she never got anything about donating. Brenda Williams stated that some of the Trustees donated also. Clerk Rob Watt asks Brenda Williams if they give her the money or go to the school and states he would give \$50. Brenda Williams states either is fine. A person from the floor states we need to have pride in our children and make them proud of Caseyville. She mentions that for the Caseyville Fireworks that her niece worked it and it didn't cost the Village anything to put her tent up and that every vendor there was on their own. She states the only thing that the Village paid for was the fireworks.

No further questions on the motion.

Voting on the motion: G.W. Scott - **Yea**, Jackie Mitchell. - **Yea**, Wally Abernathy - **Yea**, John Buckley – **Yea**, Brenda Williams – **Present**, Matt Modrovsky – **Yea**

5 Yeas, 1 Present -- Motion Passed.

- Motion was made by John Buckley, seconded by Wally Abernathy, to approve the Laborers Local 100 Contract.

Matt Modrovsky asks if there are copies of the contract to review. John Buckley states that Brian Manion had it and was supposed to pass it out and that it had all the information laid out. Clerk Watt states that Brian Manion stated he did not have it and that we needed to do a resolution for it. Wally Abernathy asks we had to do what for which Clerk Watt states that they had to do a resolution for it. Wally Abernathy and G.W. Scott state that Brian Manion never told them that. Wally Abernathy states he put it on the Agenda. Clerk Watt states that John Buckley asked to put this on the Agenda. G.W. Scott mentions that there is a motion and a second on the floor. Mayor Black asks for the vote and Matt Modrovsky states that he is not sure what we are voting on because the minutes show that the law firm was supposed to draw up some counterproposals for the CDL. Attorney Tom Zurliene did not know it was a done deal either and when he reviewed the Agenda this was not on there. Mayor Black asks if we can table it for two weeks or have a Special Meeting. G.W. Scott states that everything is on the paper and you got the vote going. Mayor Black asks again if the Board wants to table it or have a Special Meeting so Brian Manion run it by the Board. Wally Abernathy asks why we put this stuff on the Agenda if we are going to table it and not vote on it. He states Brian Manion is the one that made up the agenda. Clerk Watt states that it wasn't on the agenda because when he talked to Brian Manion he told him that we needed to go into closed session because he had not seen the contract, we didn't do a resolution for it and he wanted to discuss it with you guys. He states that there was a phone call or visit where Ambur Petty told him that John Buckley wanted it on the Agenda. John Buckley stated he wanted it on the Agenda and that Manion had two weeks to draw it up. Clerk Watt states that he understands that. John Buckley states that Clerk Watt is the Clerk and that you are supposed to listen to us too and take minutes and everything. He states that Clerk Watt is not the 7th Trustee here, so he will speak and when he is done then Clerk Watt can speak. Clerk Watt says alright and if wants to play it that way, why is the Attorney doing your job. He states shouldn't you be drawing up that Resolution. John Buckley

states that he did. G.W. Scott states that he did and Clerk Watt states he didn't see it. G.W. Scott states that every time he turns around the he has his nose in the contract. John Buckley states that he didn't right it in there because that's what you normally do because you leave it out. Clerk Watt states he makes that stuff up all the time and that's great. John Buckley states Yep and Clerk Watt states that this is great theater. Mayor Black ends this by asking where we are at on this and Brenda Williams states that we have a motion and a second on the floor.

No further questions on the motion.

Voting on the motion: G.W. Scott - **Present**, Jackie Mitchell. - **Yea**, Wally Abernathy - **Yea**, John Buckley – **Yea**, Brenda Williams – **Yea**, Matt Modrovsky – **Nay**

4 Yeas, 1 Nay and 1 Present – Motion Passed.

Finance/TIF/Grants/Insurance:

- Motion was made by Matt Modrovsky, seconded by Brenda Williams, to approve the Valley Ridge TIF Reimbursement Payment.

John Buckley states that he has a question on that as long as we are doing this. He asks why there are no figures on this TIF Reimbursement. He states we put figures on everything but there is nothing on here that states the amount we are paying back to Valley Ridge. He states it is in our packet, but just like the minutes and everything with this contract. He also asks why there are handwritten checks to this account all the time. Matt Modrovsky states he doesn't know. He states that Matt Modrovsky is the Head of Finance and says this has been going on and he will give you the point where we have had an Auditor come in here and they tell us no handwritten checks. He shows the last check and states the last payment was done by handwritten check. Matt Modrovsky states that you are going to have to handwrite some checks. John Buckley states not for TIF 2 and not according to Scheffel-Boyle and our Audit Company. John Buckley state that it is write there in the Audit. Matt Modrovsky states that you get your letters from Keith. John Buckley reads from the Audit concerning the fact that handwritten checks will be in the Trustees packet for approval as

oversight to this issue. Matt Modrovsky asks John Buckley if it is in his packet, yes or no. John Buckley states that the last one was but not this one because we do not know if it will be a handwritten check or not. He states that it's not supposed to be. Matt Modrovsky asks if there is a handwritten check copy in his packet today, yes or no. John Buckley states yes from the last payment. Matt Modrovsky states so did they do what was requested. John Buckley states that you are not supposed to handwritten checks on TIF. He states that Keith Moran specifically told him. Matt Modrovsky states that they have to get these checks. John Buckley states that no they don't and that this payment does not have to go out until December but he said to do it. Matt Modrovsky stated right and he is the authority. John Buckley states but not handwritten and that he talked to him personally. He states that is what he told him. Matt Modrovsky states that he will call Keith Moran and ask him the same question. John Buckley states that what we will have to do is make an ordinance or resolution that there are no handwritten checks from now on. Matt Modrovsky states that is not a problem. Brenda Williams states that it is in the bill run so it should be a printed check. John Buckley states no, that it is handwritten and shows the check he is talking about. Brenda Williams asks him to go back to the Bills. Mayor Black states he did not look at the check and that it might be a regular check. Mayor Black asks how much is the check for and is told by John Buckley that it is \$22,961.46 for a total payment of \$45,922.92 for the TIF that was written, 80% of the tax back. He states why we wonder why the Village has no money let's give 80% of the taxes back that you pay on your house back to you. He states why you wonder why the Village can't function. Mayor Black asks this was done how many years ago. John Buckley states that it doesn't matter. Mayor Black asks for the total of the TIF payment and John Buckley reads it back to him. He states that is what he got from Keith Moran for this TIF.

No questions on the motion.

Voting on the motion: G.W. Scott - **Yea**, Jackie Mitchell. - **Yea**, Wally Abernathy - **Yea**, John Buckley – **Nay**, Brenda Williams – **Yea**, Matt Modrovsky – **Yea**

5 Yeas – 1 Nay – Motion Passed

Public Works/Building:

- Motion was made by G.W. Scott, seconded by Wally Abernathy, to approve Resolution #1644-- A Resolution Accepting the Proposal for the Caseyville Brookside and IL 157 Intersection Project at a cost of \$8,820.00.

No questions on the motion.

Voting on the motion: All Yeas, No Nays – **Motion Passed.**

- Motion was made by G.W. Scott, seconded by Wally Abernathy, to approve the motion for the approval to hire Doyle Wilkerson as a part-time cleaner of Village Hall at \$14.00 an hour for 4-8 Hours a Week.

But before the vote a question was asked from the floor if the job was advertised and the person was told that it was not advertised. Mayor Black asked if there was a reason why it was not posted. G.W. Scott states that the gal that runs the place, he helps out in there. Jackie Mitchell asks if it is 4 hours a week. Wally Abernathy states the previous person went back to school. Mayor Black asks if we should post it, just vote on it or what. John Buckley states that we did not post the Event Organizer either and states that we do that continuously. Mayor Black asks what does John Buckley want to do and he states that they should be posted. He states that anytime you hire, no matter what it is, it should be put out for everybody on the marquee or the website, just his opinion. G.W. Scott asks if posting is what we want to do and Mayor Black states that it is up to the Board. G.W. Scott states that Desi Norberg is the one that brought it up. Mayor Black states that there is no one cleaning it right now. He states that to be fair to everyone that we should post it. Mayor Black states that it would be up to Brian Rader to make the recommendation. Brian Rader states that he did make that recommendation. Brenda Williams states that there is a motion and a second on the floor and that it should be amended and asks the Attorney if that is correct. Tom Zurliene states he did not hear the motion. Clerk Watt lets Mayor Black know that the Motion was given by G.W. Scott and the Second was given by Wally Abernathy.

- Motion was made by Jackie Mitchell, seconded by Matt Modrovsky, to table the approval to hire Doyle Wilkerson as a part-time cleaner of Village Hall at \$14.00 an hour for 4-8 Hours a Week.

Before the vote Brenda Williams asks for clarification on the Motion and second for tabling. She knew about the Motion and second to approve but guess she missed the motion and second to table.

No further questions on the motion.

Voting on the motion: All Yeas, No Nays – **Motion Passed.**

Correspondence: Clerk Rob Watt did not have any correspondence but did inform the public that the 2017 Election packages will be in the Administrative offices for those wanting to run for office starting tomorrow. He states that you will have now and until December 12th to petition. Brenda Williams asks if they can be circulated starting tomorrow. Clerk Watt states he got a packet from the County on Friday and he put the packets together Monday. He states the circulation date started on September 22nd.

Approval of Bills:

A motion was made by Matt Modrovsky, seconded by Wally Abernathy, to authorize the expenditures of the bills in the amount of \$237,185.91 and the money drawn from the proper accounts, when the funds become available.

No questions on the Motion

Voting on the motion: All Yeas, No Nays – **Motion Passed.**

Chief of Police – Chief Frank Moore gives the monthly Police statistics for August. Chief Moore also read statistics that they put together for January 2016 until August 2016. After he was done reading those numbers, he states that overall for an 11-Member department those statistics read are busy numbers. Mayor Black states that it sounds like the Police Department has been busy.

Superintendent of Public Works - Superintendent Brian Rader stated that the road-oiling will begin 22-23 September. He asks for

everyone's patience with the delays that will happen during the closing and rocking. He also gave an update on the Brookside Project that was approved tonight. He stated that he will get with Christ Bothers to see when they will begin the Brookside Project. Mayor Black asks if it would be done in a couple of weeks and Brian Rader states not a couple of weeks but before the end of the year. He is asked if they will close the entire street or one side at a time and he states it will be one side at a time. G.W. Scott brought up that Fire Prevention Week will be held on Saturday, October 8, 2016 at the Caseyville Park-Pavilion #1 from 11am to 3pm. He gives information on the demonstrations that will be there and the activities for the Kids. He also reminds everyone to be sure to change batteries in all smoke detectors and that this event is sponsored by the Caseyville Fire Department. G.W. Scott let Janice Wasser know the date and time of the Fire Prevention Week when she asked. She asks if there are any flyers and he states yes. Pam McDaniel let's her know that she can get one from her and she states when they were initially passed out. G.W. Scott tells her that Randy Allard usually takes care of the flyers but since he has been working in East St Louis and would have otherwise take care of getting them out.

M.K. Dashke – MK Dashke gave an update on Frontier Days that took place on Saturday, September 17th and Sunday September 18th. She states that many of the reenactors from previous years returned and there were a few new ones including one from Florida. She went over the different kids programs they had during Frontier Days. She stated that there were 514 visitors and that visitors came from Highland, Swansea, Collinsville, Caseyville, Granite City, Belleville, Millstadt, St. Jacob, and O'Fallon.

She states that anyone that knows her that she is upfront with everything that she does. She states that her job is not posted and she was the one that approached the Village Administration because she wanted to see things in her own hometown. She says there have been events here but we could do more. She doesn't think that the Village will win any hometown awards like Glen Carbon but if you read the report things are happening in the Park. She goes over her initiative for the Job and the Events she volunteered her time too to include the Fishing Derby. She says she is more than willing to talk to anybody about this and has nothing to hide. She states that the reason why her job is not posted because she showed the initiative to do this.

MK Dashke gave an update on the Freaky 5K run/walk & Bonfire. Matt Modrovsky stated he talked to MK Daske about the 5K. He states at the present that there is only 4 people signed up. Mayor Black states he has heard from half a dozen who want to participate. Matt Modrovsky states that he asked her a couple of weeks ago when she is preparing to cancel it if not enough runners are signed up. He states that it is hard to order 50 t-shirts when only 10 people register. Brenda Williams stated it would be a cost-savings if we left the date off of the T-Shirts. She stated by doing that, we could use them each year.

MK Dashke also added that people said during the Frontier Days that we have a nice Park. She mentions that the Reenactors comment on how nice it is. Mayor Black mentions that she got lucky on the weather.

Mayor Black mentions to Janice Wasser that he did mention to Brian Rader about the covers for the Park exercise equipment. He states that we are trying to find money to take care of this. He asks Brian Rader for confirmation and he states that is correct. Mayor Black mentions the Park grant the Village is getting. Brian Rader confirms that we are and Mayor Black states that if there is no money from that in the meantime how to get some extra money for that.


Adjournment

There was no additional business to bring before the Board. A motion was made by Brenda Williams, seconded by Wally Abernathy, to adjourn the meeting.

Voting on the motion: All Yeas, No Nays – **Motion Passed.**

Meeting adjourned at 8:02 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by



Rob Watt
Village Clerk