

2018-12-11 MINUTES

The Ladd Village Board met in regular session at 6:30pm on Tuesday, December 11, 2018, in the Village Hall. President Mike Grivetti called the meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance to the American flag.

Roll Call:

Present – Trustees Frank Cattani, Jim Manning, Jan Martin, Dan Nelson, Andy Ruggerio, Mike Urbanowski (6)

In attendance – Attorney Pat Barry, Deputy Clerk/Treasurer Rhonda Bezely, Chief Bill Gaefcke, Building Inspector Barry Flanagan, Engineer Adam Ossola.

Motion Cattani – Second Martin to accept the (11/27/18) minutes, as presented.

Ayes: Cattani, Manning, Martin, Nelson, Ruggerio, Urbanowski

Motion carried 6-0.

Motion Ruggerio – Second Urbanowski to pay the bills in the amount of \$27,355.99.

Ayes: Cattani, Manning, Martin, Nelson, Ruggerio, Urbanowski

Motion carried 6-0.

Correspondence:

None

Public Comments:

None

Committee Reports:

None

Engineer's Report:

Ameren East Side Gas Main Replacements - Ossola reported that Ameren will be replacing all gas mains east of Peru Street on the east side of town. They are requesting utilities be located and painted. Maps will be provided with rough locations to get things started. Grivetti stated Ameren will possibly be replacing meters also so meters can be read remotely electronically. Estimated start date is the middle of 2019. More information will be forthcoming.

Superintendent's Report:

None

Mayor Grivetti reported to the board about a major water leak we had yesterday on the north end of town. While repairing it they put pressure back on and the other side broke. Water was off for quite a while. Doug said the line is in terrible shape so we need to get that survey going. Mike Urbanowski and Bill Gaefcke will need to get this completed. Clerk Chandler is to get the paperwork together so we can get this done as soon as possible. We know we are not able to get a grant this year but we need to be prepared and apply next year. Ruggerio mentioned that we should contact the railroad to get any necessary permitting done if necessary so there are no delays. Grivetti stated that Englehaupt said eventually this will be an emergency and if we don't repair it water will be off for a long time. This work must be done.

Chief's Report:

Gaefcke stated that bar closing times in Ladd have recently been discussed. Mayor Grivetti stated that bar hours need to be reviewed by the board. Gaefcke reminded the board of the current bar hours. Mayor Grivetti stated there have been a few recent incidents of concern. Mayor Grivetti said they will be inviting the business owners to the January 8, 2019 meeting to discuss the possibility of amending the closing hours.

Inspector's Report:

None

Attorney's Report:

Attorney Barry stated that the Union Contract has been reviewed and has been signed by the Union. Attorney Barry stated that the contract meets all the terms that were negotiated.

Motion Cattani – Second Urbanowski to accept the IBEW Local 51 and Village of Ladd Labor Agreement 7-1-18 to 6-30-21 and authorize Mayor Mike Grivetti to sign it.

Ayes: Cattani, Manning, Martin, Ruggerio, Urbanowski

Nay: Nelson

Motion carried 5-1.

Trustee Ruggerio questioned if the contract would be retroactive to 7-1-18. Attorney Barry assured Ruggerio that retro pay will be calculated and paid out from 7-1-18. Barry also mentioned to Ruggerio that the contract states that the contract continues to apply beyond its termination date until another contract is negotiated.

Computer hardware update for Village offices – Bezely announced that January 14, 2020 Microsoft will end all support and security updates on Windows 7. It was asked if the current computers could be updated to Windows 10 but our current hardware cannot support Windows 10. A quote has been provided by Connecting Point Computers for 5 new desktops. The board understands the need but requests to wait a couple months before making a purchase, as they felt there was time.

Itron Hardware & Software Support - Hardware and software maintenance for Itron from 4-1-19 to 3-31-20. Bezely talked things over with Englehaupt and it was conveyed to the board the need for this renewal.

Motion Manning – Second Cattani to purchase the Itron maintenance renewal for \$1,901.20

Ayes: Cattani, Manning, Martin, Nelson, Ruggerio, Urbanowski

Motion carried 6-0.

Annual Maintenance Contract with Braniff - Discussion of the preventative maintenance renewal was unanimous. It is felt that Braniff does a great job for the Village.

Motion Cattani – Second Ruggerio to accept the annual maintenance contract with Braniff Communications for \$1,240.00

Ayes: Cattani, Manning, Martin, Nelson, Ruggerio, Urbanowski

Motion carried 6-0.

Change of regular meeting date - Mayor Grivetti requested the regular board meeting scheduled for Thursday, December 20, 2018 be changed to Wednesday, December 19, 2018. It was already noted that Martin would be unable to attend.

Motion Urbanowski – Second Cattani to change December 20th meeting to December 19th, 2018

Ayes: Cattani, Manning, Martin, Nelson, Ruggerio, Urbanowski

Motion carried 6-0.

Announcements:

Grivetti mentioned that now that we have a sound system on Main Street he thought it would be really nice to play taps on the 11th day of each month on the 11th hour to remind all citizens the sacrifices that men and women went through to give them their freedom. Cattani requested taps with the echo taps.

The council mentioned how great the music is on Main Street. Mayor Grivetti stated that a resident on Bureau Avenue called and complained about the music playing too long and too loud. We turned down the speakers near his house. He continued to complain. The back of his house is located between two speakers. His neighbors love the music. Our options are to stop the music at 6:00 pm or to shut off the 2 speakers by his house. It was decided that we would shut

the 2 speakers off. We checked with the resident and he is ecstatic that the music is off and grateful that Mayor Mike solved the issue. The board agreed with Grivetti to shut off the 2 speakers by this resident's house.

Mayor Grivetti thanked everyone for pitching in with the snowman parade. He especially thanked Bezely, Phil and Mary Ann Hocking, and members of the Ladd Men's Club. Ruggerio extended thanks to Englehaupt for decorating the Village's electric truck and stated it would be great to bring it to Spring Valley for their parade next year. Manning stated many business people and friends have noticed how beautiful our town looks all decorated. Everyone agreed Ladd looks wonderful. Martin stated that many people at her event in the morning on December 8th were blown away by how beautiful everything looked in our town.

Bezely wanted the board to know that she had contacted the City of Princeton, Pete Nelson, and asked to use their trolley for the Christmas Walk if the train was unable to make it due to weather. Nelson stated they wanted to help out a neighbor if needed. Bezely stated the City of Princeton kindly agreed to let us use the trolley if the train didn't come.

Motion Cattani – Second Urbanowski to adjourn.

Ayes: Cattani, Manning, Martin, Nelson, Ruggerio, Urbanowski

Motion carried 6-0.

The meeting adjourned at 6:59 pm.

Rhonda Bezely, Deputy Village Clerk