

## 2019-02-26 MINUTES

The Ladd Village Board met in Regular Session at 6:30pm on Tuesday, February 26, 2019, 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, Jan Martin, Dan Nelson, Andy Ruggerio, Mike Urbanowski (5). Trustee Jim Manning arrived at 6:41pm.

In attendance – Attorney Colin Barry, Clerk Diane Chandler, Treasurer Rhonda Bezely, Police Chief Bill Gaefcke, Superintendent Doug Englehaupt

Motion Cattani – Second Martin to accept the (2/12/19 meeting) minutes, as presented.

Ayes: Cattani, Martin, Nelson, Ruggerio, Urbanowski

Motion carried: 5-0.

Ruggerio asked whether the two vehicle loans could be combined into one loan with a lower interest rate. Chandler will contact the bank for an answer.

Motion Nelson – Second Ruggerio to pay the bills in the amount of \$140,110.74.

Ayes: Cattani, Martin, Nelson, Ruggerio, Urbanowski

Motion carried: 5-0.

Motion Urbanowski – Second Cattani to accept the Treasurer’s Report for January 2019.

Ayes: Cattani, Martin, Nelson, Ruggerio, Urbanowski

Motion carried: 5-0.

Motion Cattani – Second Ruggerio to transfer \$30,000.00 from the Motor Fuel Tax checking account to a 30-day CD and to renew all remaining 30-day CDs.

Ayes: Cattani, Martin, Nelson, Ruggerio, Urbanowski

Motion carried: 5-0.

### Correspondence:

- Republic Services has been contacted to schedule a date for an electronics recycling event.
- North Central Illinois Council of Governments has requested a list of capital projects for a possible Capital Bill.

### Public Comments:

None

### Committee Reports:

Streets & Alleys – Nelson reported that a tree at 101 South Hennepin Avenue is dead and should be taken down. Health & Sanitation – Nelson informed the Board that Jim Pozzi of Republic Services has proposed supplying Ladd with trash and recycling totes. The introduction of totes would likely come with a contract amendment and extension with the cost of the totes to be passed on to the residents in their monthly rate. Grivetti announced that the Village will need to increase water rates in order to apply for a grant to replace the water main in the Main Street alley. He does not want the residents to receive a garbage rate increase at the same time. The Board was in agreement with Grivetti.

Trustee Manning arrived.

### Engineer’s Report:

None

Superintendent's Report:

Snow Plow – Englehaupt reported that an off-season price on a new plow is not available. Nelson stated his disagreement on the proposed purchase. Although this plow would fit both the Sterling and Ford Tandem trucks, Englehaupt had suggested earlier that the Ford be rotated to use as a spare and to consider the purchase of a new truck. The current plow is being repaired by Barry Flanagan and the Board agreed to wait for a report on it from him. No action was taken on the purchase of a new plow. Motor Fuel Tax Program – Englehaupt requested and received permission to work with Village Engineer Adam Ossola on a program for 2019. Waste Water Treatment Plant Gen Set – Englehaupt reported on an issue with the generator's transfer switch during a recent power outage. The generator recognized the outage, the engine started and produced voltage but the transfer switch did not see the voltage coming from the generator and did not transfer power. As a result, sewage was being taken in but it was not able to be pumped up into the lagoons. A call was made to support who assisted with the by-pass to transfer manually. Since there is a 7-week lead time to upgrade to a new transfer switch, Grivetti approved the proposal prior to the Board meeting. Itron MVRs Support – Englehaupt reported that MVRs support for the Itron hand-held meter reading unit would be ending in 2021. MVRs is the software that translates the meter readings from the Itron to the billing software. He is in the process of scheduling a date to meet with the Anixter rep for available options. Main Street Alley Sink Hole – Englehaupt reported on a sink hole in the alley behind North Central Bank. Illinois Valley Excavating has televised the sewer main and he is certain that the problem is with the service line to the apartment building at Cedar Street and Bureau Avenue. The building owners were notified by phone two weeks ago but he feels that a follow-up letter should be sent to them with a deadline to repair it. The owners were also informed that there is some urgency to get this done as it is located in a Main Street alley. Capacitor Bank – Englehaupt reported that the new capacitor bank has been delivered.

Chief's Report:

Bar Closing Violations – Gaefcke informed the Board that Dick's Tap continues to remain open past closing hour. The owner has been notified each time and has been cooperative but Gaefcke stated that he is not seeing results. He added that he has issued a warning ticket but moving forward, fines will be assessed. If the violations persist, the Board may consider amending the closing hours. He added that all other businesses have been cooperating.

Motion Manning – Second Martin to pass “AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CLOSING TIME FOR CLASS A AND D LIQUOR LICENSES OF THE VILLAGE OF LADD, BUREAU COUNTY, ILLINOIS, ON SATURDAYS AND CERTAIN HOLIDAYS FROM 3:30AM TO 3:00AM.”

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

Motion carried: 6-0.

Inspector's Report:

None

Attorney's Report:

None

A proposal from Connecting Point Computer Center for 5 new computers and MS Office 2019 was reviewed. Support and security for Microsoft Windows 7 will end in 2020 and the Village's current computers cannot be upgraded. Three computers would be for use in the Clerk's office, one in the Police Department and one in the Public Works Department.

Motion Cattani – Second Ruggerio to accept Connecting Point Computer Center's proposal of \$5,961.95 for 5 new desktop computers and MS Office 2019 for 3 of the computers.

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

Motion carried: 6-0.

Motion Cattani – Second Manning to grant permission to the DePue Men’s Club to solicit businesses for their APBA racing program.

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

Motion carried: 6-0.

Announcements:

- A water rate increase will be necessary to apply for a Community Development Block Grant. An income survey for the grant application is currently in progress.
- The pre-application for Energy Efficiency Program Funds from the Illinois Municipal Electric Agency has been submitted.

Motion Cattani – Second Martin to adjourn.

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

Motion carried: 6-0.

The meeting adjourned at 8:01pm.

Diane Chandler, Village Clerk