

## **2020-10-13 MINUTES**

The Ladd Village Board met in Regular Session at 6:30 pm on Tuesday, October 13, 2020, 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, Dan Nelson, Andy Ruggerio, Mike Urbanowski (5). Absent – Trustee Jan Martin. In attendance – Attorney Pat Barry, Clerk Diane Chandler, Treasurer Rhonda Bezely, Chief Bill Gaefcke, Superintendent Doug Englehaupt.

Motion Cattani – Second Manning to approve the (September 22, 2020 meeting) minutes, as presented.

Ayes: Cattani, Manning, Nelson, Ruggerio, Urbanowski

Motion Carried 5-0.

Motion Urbanowski – Second Ruggerio to pay the bills of \$75,462.53.

Ayes: Manning, Nelson, Ruggerio, Urbanowski

Abstain: Cattani

Motion Carried 4-0-1.

Correspondence: None

Public Comments: Joe Coutts addressed the Board on the steps he took to ensure that he was allowed to core out and lay gravel on Western Avenue across from his home. His intention was not to stake a claim to the property but to make an area that was presentable for parking. Grivetti thanked him and stated that he feels the issue has been resolved.

Committee Reports: Recreation – Ruggerio requested an update on the War Memorial Park Sidewalk Replacement project. Englehaupt informed him that the contractor would be doing the work within the next two weeks.

Ruggerio also requested an update on tree stump removal. Bezely responded that we have received one bid and are waiting on a second bid to remove twelve tree stumps.

Engineer's Report: None

Superintendent's Report: Street Sweeper – Englehaupt reported that the Village has purchased a street sweeper for \$23,000.00 to be delivered on October 14<sup>th</sup>. Carport – Since the proposal came in much higher than anticipated, no action was taken on the purchase and installation of a carport at 336 South Main Avenue.

Attorney's Report: Senior Housing Building Permit – Barry stated that a formal motion was needed to waive the building permit fee for the Senior Housing Project.

Motion Manning – Second Urbanowski to waive the building permit fee of \$3,397.20 for the Senior Housing Project.

Ayes: Cattani, Manning, Ruggerio, Urbanowski

Nays: Nelson

Motion Carried 4-1.

Green Power Choices Program – Barry announced that the Village has the option to participate in the program offered by the Illinois Municipal Electric Agency. Village electric customers would have the choice to opt into a green program at a higher rate. He added that ordinances would need to be passed and advised Board members to contact their constituents to see if there is any interest before we proceed.

Chief's Report: Trick-or-Treat – Gaefcke announced that a resident was planning a Trunk-or-Treat event if the Village chooses to forego Trick-or-Treat this year.

Motion Nelson – Second Cattani to set Trick-or-Treat hours from 5:30 pm to 7:30 pm on Saturday, October 31<sup>st</sup>.

Ayes: Cattani, Manning, Nelson, Ruggerio, Urbanowski

Motion Carried 5-0.

Gaefcke also requested permission to purchase 300 glow sticks or necklaces to hand out to Ladd Grade School students.

Motion Urbanowski – Second Cattani to authorize Gaefcke to purchase glow sticks for the students.

Ayes: Cattani, Manning, Nelson, Ruggerio, Urbanowski

Motion Carried 5-0.

Inspector's Report: None

Cattani questioned the location of the proposed garage for the library. Englehaupt stated that it would sit between the gas line and their north property line. He added that both the library's and their neighbor's downspouts be redirected toward the alley.

Motion Nelson – Second Cattani to approve the building permit (for a 12' X 20' garage) for the Ladd Library.

Ayes: Cattani, Manning, Nelson, Ruggerio, Urbanowski

Motion Carried 5-0.

Chandler requested the Board's input on an annual maintenance agreement for the new copier in the Clerk's office. The copier was purchased outright last year and the \$675.85 invoice for maintenance and supplies seems excessive. The Board agreed not to renew the maintenance contract.

Motion Nelson – Second Cattani to accept a proposal of \$801.39 from Illinois Valley Door Company to replace a door panel on the electric shed garage door.

Ayes: Cattani, Manning, Nelson, Ruggerio, Urbanowski

Motion Carried 5-0.

Motion Urbanowski – Second Nelson to adopt a Resolution for the 2020 Bureau County Natural Hazards Mitigation Plan.

Ayes: Cattani, Manning, Nelson, Ruggerio, Urbanowski

Motion Carried 5-0.

Motion Cattani – Second Urbanowski to renew the Water Debt Service CD for five years.

Ayes: Cattani, Manning, Nelson, Ruggerio, Urbanowski

Motion Carried 5-0.

Motion Manning – Second Urbanowski to choose payment option #1 of \$50,655.85 on the Illinois Municipal League Risk Management Association invoice.

Ayes: Cattani, Manning, Nelson, Ruggerio, Urbanowski

Motion Carried 5-0.

Grivetti informed the Board of a recent meeting held with Ladd School Superintendent Michelle Zeko to discuss their proposal to install solar panels. The Board requested that she and a representative from Future Green attend the October 27<sup>th</sup> Village Board meeting.

Motion Manning – Second Cattani to donate \$280 to Project Success for 4 Thanksgiving and 4 Christmas food baskets.

Ayes: Cattani, Manning, Nelson, Ruggerio, Urbanowski

Motion Carried 5-0.

Announcements:

- 31 residents participated in the recent electronics recycling event. Since only half of the dumpster was filled, it was suggested to begin holding the event every other year or to allow out-of-town residents to participate.

- B & M Concrete will be pouring a concrete pad in Kennedy Park for the bench donated by the Lehning family. It will be identical to the bench donated by the Devert family and will mirror its location on the opposite side of the Little League diamond. Barry Flanagan has volunteered to take delivery of the bench, assemble it, and deliver it to Ladd.
- A complaint was received of a black pickup truck speeding early in the morning on Selby Avenue toward Cleveland Street.
- Ruggerio commended the Street Department on the condition of the burn pit.
- Village crews straightened the pole that the Cleveland Street outdoor warning siren is mounted on.

Motion Cattani – Second Nelson to adjourn.

Ayes: Cattani, Manning, Nelson, Ruggerio, Urbanowski

Motion Carried 5-0.

The meeting adjourned at 7:23 pm.

Diane Chandler, Village Clerk