

# February 23, 2021

Proceedings, transactions, and resolutions made and order of said record of said Board in the Village of Diamond, IL on the 23<sup>rd</sup> day of February 2021.

The scheduled meeting of the Diamond Village Board was held on Tuesday, February 23, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. with Mayor Teresa "Terry" Kernc presiding. Upon roll call Commissioners present were Mark Adair, Denise Brown, Jeff Kasher and Dave Warner. Face masks along with social distancing was required.

#### Approval of 02-09-2021 Minutes

**MOTION** was made by Commissioner Kasher, **SECOND** by Commissioner Warner to approve the 02/09/2021 regular meeting minutes with revision and place on file. **All Ayes: Motion Carried.** 

#### Approval of February 23, 2021 Bill List

**MOTION** was made by Commissioner Brown, **SECOND** by Commissioner Kasher to accept the bill list and place on file. **All Ayes: Motion Carried**.

#### Public Comment

None

## New Business

### Los 3 Burritos

Mayor Kernc welcomed Sandra from Los 3 Burritos to the meeting. Kernc stated Los 3 Burritos would like to obtain a liquor license. Los 3 had one several years prior and with their remodel and the growth of their business and the village, they would like to request a liquor license. Kernc asked Sandra what type of liquor they would be serving, and she stated beer and mixed drinks geared toward the authenticity of the food they serve. All liquor would be served for dine in purposes only. Consensus was given for Attorney John Gallo to amend the current liquor ordinance with an additional license for Los 3 Burritos.

#### Brian Faletti Presentation

Mayor Kernc welcomed Brian Faletti to the meeting. Faletti is the owner of Dynamic Fitness Center. The center was previously located in Coal City however, he is temporarily renting space in Wilmington and would like to construct a new building for his fitness center in Diamond. Discussion followed on location, type of building, zoning/planning regulations, ordinance and structure. Commissioner Kasher stated Faletti's proposal regarding the pole building structure is not a good fit nor is the location which he purposed. Kasher also stated he does not agree with entrance into the purposed property location and stated the road would need to be extended. Commissioner Warner and Adair were concerned with the structure, location, road being extended, among other items as well. After lengthy discussion, the board stated Faletti would need to submit detailed plans for; site and building, outside facade improvements, infrastructure road extension/improvement, water/sewer tap-on, etc. for his project to be considered.

#### Reinstate Water Shut-Offs for Non-Payment Accounts

Village Clerk Lori Holmes stated over the past year due to the pandemic, the village has not shut off water services to those non-payment dwellings. We have tried to work with individuals with payment plans for those affected by the pandemic. Holmes stated currently, there is over \$11,000 in outstanding account balances from the Jan. 1, 2021 billing date and 9 liens have been placed on accounts for non-payment. Holmes was recently contacted by a landlord who has an issue with a tenant for non-payment and inquired when the village will reinstate water shuts for nonpayment customers. Commissioner Warner requested information to be placed on the March 2021 utility bill informing residents the village will be reinstating water shut offs beginning in April 2021.

#### **Discussion of Skid Steer**

Commissioner Kasher stated the search for a new skid steer has been in progress since the current one is in need of repairs. He and Jim Dunning looked at a used skid steer in Plainfield last week which had numerous issues with it and the asking price was \$26,000.00. After discussing options, Kasher researched the cost for a new skid steer with options needed. Considering the cost of a used vs. new, he feels it would be in the best interest of the village to purchase a new one. He was able to get government pricing quotes for 2 makes, a John Deere and a Kubota from Turf Team. The Kubota price was \$38,479.00 with camera and radio included in the price. John Deere quoted 2 models, one for a Hi-flow the other for standard flow; High flow-\$44,150.00; standard \$41,150.00. The camera and radio are additional costs: \$800.00 for a camera and \$600.00 for a radio. Kasher recommended the John Deere standard flow without radio option for numerous reasons which were discussed by the Board. Kasher will receive a quote for the value of our current skid steer as a trade-in. After discussion, consensus was given to proceed with the purchase of a new John Deere skid steer. This item will be placed on the March 9, 2021 agenda.

#### **Old Business**

#### Discuss and Approve Vendor for Preventative Maintenance on Generators

Commissioner Kasher presented a quote for preventative maintenance from Elliott Electric for the generators in the amount of \$9,282.00 Elliott would utilize a company from Rockdale for the maintenance. Kasher discussed the proposal previously received from Rush Power Systems which quoted a price of \$6,535.00. After discussion, Kasher recommended Rush Power Systems due to the cost differential. Commissioner Warner agreed. Kasher stated if the board would like to proceed with Rush Power Systems, he will reach out to them to see if there is any additional cost reduction available if the village commits to a 3-year term agreement. The board agreed for Kasher to move forward with Rush Power Systems proposal process. This item will be placed on the March 9, 2021 agenda.

#### Grundy and Will County Sheriff's Monthly Update

Mayor Kernc stated Grundy County will be doing special enforcement in the upcoming months.

Legal Counsel No Report

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Engineer Updates No Report

#### Public Works Department Updates

Acting Public Works Supervisor Jim Dunning stated there is potential seal failure issue with the McGinty Street lift station. Pro Pumps will be coming out tomorrow to check and/or repair was well as to deliver a pump which they repaired for the village. Dunning stated they will be utilizing a

company from Mokena for any future lift station pump issues at the other lift stations. If they are satisfied with their services, they will utilize them moving forward. This should reduce overall maintenance costs since the company is closer to Diamond and Pro Pump is located in Indiana. Dunning stated when the weather warms up, they will be working on the repair/replacement of the telescopic valve at the sewer plant. Dunning added, meter reading will begin tomorrow, and they will be utilizing the new water meter reading software-Neptune 360 which utilizes an app on their phones. They will all read meters to familiarize themselves with the new system. Public Works personnel will rotate the meter reading duties over the next several months so that each staff member is trained on the new system. Mayor Kernc added things have been running smoothly and appreciates the great customer service Dunning has been providing the residents on phone and in person.

#### Clerk Updates

No Report

Commissioner Comments Commissioner Kasher No Report

Commissioner Brown No Report

**Commissioner Adair** No Report

Commissioner Warner No Report

Mayor Kernc No Report

#### Adjournment

**MOTION** was made to adjourn at 8:22 p.m. by Commissioner Kasher, **SECOND** by Commissioner Warner. All Ayes: Motion Carried.

**Respectively Submitted:** 

Lori Holmes, Village Clerk