



April 13, 2021

Proceedings, transactions, and resolutions made and order of said record of said Board in the Village of Diamond, IL on the 13th day of April 2021.

The scheduled meeting of the Diamond Village Board was held on Tuesday, April 13, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. with Mayor Teresa “Terry” Kernc presiding. Upon roll call Commissioner’s present were Mark Adair and Jeff Kasher. Face masks along with social distancing was required.

Approval of 03-23-2021 Minutes

MOTION was made by Commissioner Kasher, **SECOND** by Commissioner Adair to approve the 03/23/2021 regular meeting minutes and place on file. **All Ayes: Motion Carried.**

Approval of April 13, 2021 Bill List

MOTION was made by Commissioner Kasher, **SECOND** by Commissioner Adair to accept the bill list, draw warrants up in their amounts and place on file. **All Ayes: Motion Carried.**

Approval of the March 2021 Treasurer’s Report

MOTION was made by Commissioner Adair, **SECOND** by Commissioner Kasher to approve the March 2021 Treasurer’s Report and place on file. **All Ayes: Motion Carried.**

Public Comment

None

New Business

Discuss and Approve KLM Engineering Inc. Exterior Cleaning of Water Towers

Mayor Kernc presented the proposal information for the cleaning of both water towers. Village Engineer Mike Perry was asked by Mayor Kernc for his feedback on this proposal cost. Commissioner Kasher stated he looked over the water tower located at the village hall and he did not feel that a cleaning was needed at this present time. After brief discussion, decision was to wait another year before moving forward with the cleaning if necessary and acquire several proposals for cost comparison.

Approve Proclamation for the Month of April as Child Abuse Prevention and Awareness Month

Mayor Kernc stated pinwheels have been placed in the front of the village hall representing child abuse prevention and awareness month. She added, the village participates in this each year. **MOTION** was made by Commissioner Adair, **SECOND** by Commissioner Kasher to Approve the Proclamation for the Month of April as Child Abuse Prevention and Awareness Month. **All Ayes: Motion Carried.**

Discuss and Approve Ordinance #2021-05, Amendments to the Employee Handbook

Mayor Kernc thanked Village Clerk Lori Holmes and Village Attorney John Gallo for the work on this. Kernc proposed the change in employment categories to add a permanent part-time status which would reflect those who work over 1,000 hours in 12 months would receive 3 vacation days and 2

sick days annually. Those days do not accumulate nor roll over each year. A change to add Seasonal/Part-time/Temporary would reflect those who are employed less than 1,000 hours during a 12-month period are ineligible for sick and vacation days. Kernc presented an Organizational Chart which reflects the structure of the Village of Diamond and the relationships and relative ranks of positions/jobs. **MOTION** was made by Commissioner Kasher, **SECOND** by Commissioner Adair to Approve Ordinance #2021-05, Amendments to the Employee Handbook. **All Ayes: Motion Carried.**

2022 Fiscal Budget Review

Mayor Kernc stated she appreciated Treasurer Wendy Herbert with her work on this. The budget has enough cushion to cover for those unexpected items which could appear throughout the year. Kernc stated she wanted to be very realistic for budgeting purposes. The budget will be published in the April 14, 2021 edition of the Courant. Kernc presented information from IDOT on their Milling and Resurfacing of Il 113 along with a proposal for ADA curb ramps for the sidewalks along Route 113 which they would share cost. The cost to the village would be estimated at \$15,000. If the village does receive the grant which an application has been submitted for the widening of the sidewalks as a multipurpose path, then that would include the ADA ramps and the village will cancel this proposal and cost share. After discussion, a unanimous consensus was given, and this item will be placed on the April 27, 2021 agenda for formal approval.

Old Business

Grundy and Will County Sheriff's Monthly Update

Mayor Kernc presented the Will County Sheriff's summary and discussed the Grundy County report, and she is happy with both reports.

Legal Counsel

Village Attorney John Gallo stated the Enterprise Zone expansion for Blue Sky Solar was approved by Will County and the application has been completed and will be sent into Springfield this week.

Engineer Updates

Village Engineer Mike Perry presented a draft for the stormwater master plan designed by Tim Hejny. This purposed site will be near Will and Valerio Road. This would be a regional detention area which would be utilized for the north side of town. If approved, he village would apply for a OSLAD grant for this project. Perry stated Braceville is looking at nearby towns to which they would bring their sewage for disposal. Perry is working with them to consider Diamond for their needs. This would bring revenue into Diamond if chosen.

Public Works Department Updates

Acting Public Works Supervisor Jim Dunning stated the maintenance on the lift stations has been completed. Diamond Estates lift station was plugged and needs new blades for the pump. Residents are disposing of wipes, undergarments etc. which should never be flushed into the system. All other lift stations looked good. Dunning stated his truck will be going into D'Orazio Ford for a new water pump. Dunning stated he will be renting a trailer vac for \$1,500.00 for 1 week and will utilize for b-box repairs and such during the week. The water leak which was repaired at Berta Road and Route 113 was leaking approximately 50,000-60,000 gallons per day. Dunning added Wren Construction will be asphaltting the road next week.

Clerk Updates

Village Clerk Lori Holmes stated all commissioners will be assigned a personal village email address within the near future.

Commissioner Comments

Commissioner Kasher

No Report

Commissioner Adair

No Report.

Commissioner Warner

Absent

Mayor Kernc

No Report

Adjournment

MOTION was made to adjourn at 6:47 p.m. by Commissioner Kasher, **SECOND** by Commissioner Adair. **All Ayes: Motion Carried.**

Respectively Submitted:

Lori Holmes, Village Clerk

