

**VILLAGE OF COAL VALLEY
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR VILLAGE BOARD MEETING
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 2017 AT 6:00 P.M.
IN THE BOARD CHAMBERS OF VILLAGE HALL
COAL VALLEY, ILLINOIS**

1. Call to Order:

The regular meeting of the Village Board was called to order at 6:00 P.M. by Mayor Bartels.

2. Roll Call

Present: Mike Bartels, Adam Bain, Dale Keppy, Stan Engstrom, Brue Crowe, Kevin Stickell, Jake Hoyt.

Absent:

Establishment of a quorum.

3. Pledge of Allegiance

Staff present at the meeting: Annette Ernst–Village Administrator, Penny Mullen–Assistant Village Administrator & Director of Finance, Deanna Hulliger-Village Clerk and Jack Chick, Police Chief.

4. Reading and Approval of Minutes

Trustee Stickell made a motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Board meeting held November 1, 2017 Trustee Engstrom gave a second to the motion. Roll Call: Ayes-Bain, Keppy, Engstrom, Crowe, Stickell, Hoyt. Ayes 6, motion carried.

5. Public Presentation/ Recognition and/or Public Comments

Chuck Meyer representing the Lions Club is here this evening to request a donation from the Village of Coal Valley for the annual Christmas basket fund. Mayor Bartels informed the Board that \$250.00 has been the donation amount in the past several years. Trustee Hoyt would like some information on this fund raiser. Mr. Meyer explained the Lions Club has a Christmas activity down at Happy Joes in December and with help from the School and Pastor Tim Snart letting the Lions Club know of families needing help presents/toys from Santa are given out at the event. Chief Chick mentioned the Police Department has a toddler bike to donate. Discussion was held.

A motion was made by Trustee Bain to donate \$250.00 to the Coal Valley Lions Club for their annual Christmas basket fund. Trustee Hoyt offered a second to the motion. Roll Call: Ayes-Bain, Keppy, Engstrom, Crowe, Stickell, Hoyt. Ayes 6, motion carried.

6. Reports from the President and Other Officers (on matters not otherwise appearing on the Agenda)

- A. President—Mayor Bartels informed everyone of the Christmas in the Valley tree lighting event at the Post Office Park that he has established. Information has been provided to all. The Village has received donations of lights, yard decorations and monetary gifts. Friday, December 1, 2017 at 6:00 P.M. is the tree lighting and the trees will be decorated on Saturday, November 25, 2017 starting around 9:00 A.M. We still need some extension cords and other non-decorative items. Also any help with decorating would be great. The Mayor hopes that the Board and their families will be at the December 1st tree lighting. There will be hot cocoa and cookies. Kids can decorate an ornament to take home. Blackhawk State Bank will have gift bags for the kids. Mayor Bartels hopes to have around 100 kids in attendance that night. The Board asked Chuck Meyer when their event is happening and Mr. Meyer responded Saturday, December 16, 2017. The Board talked about a Santa for the event. Chief Chick offered to be Santa at the tree lighting.

Mayor Bartels informed the Board that the Village of Coal Valley has been placed on the agenda for the December 12, 2017 Forest Preserve District Board meeting at 3:00 P.M. (time of meeting was confirmed). This meeting is being held at the Indian Bluff location not the downtown Rock Island location.

- B. Trustees—Trustee Keppy mentioned with the Village Inspector job posting he would offer to sit in on the interview process.
- C. Police, Public Works and Admin—Chief Chick stated the coyote posting drew much attention. The department wanted the residents to be watchful and they definitely are.

Ms. Ernst informed the Board that Matt Alberts from Rock Island County is the Village interim inspector until we have one hired. A thank you to Greg Thorpe for helping the Village out.

Ms. Ernst reported that she, Dale Keppy and the Mayor attended MUNICES this morning for the Jack and Jill property. The defendant's attorney was present and had just been retained for this case Tuesday evening at 7:00 P.M. Judge Tom Skorpa is giving more time to them and a hearing is scheduled for December 8, 2017 at 10:00 A.M.

Ms. Ernst is taking applications for the Building Inspector position until Friday, December 15, 2017.

There have been seven snow plowing applications submitted to Ms. Ernst.

Ms. Ernst informed the Board that the generator has been set along Garrison Road.

Ms. Ernst thanked Stan for his help on the concrete project in front of the Library.

Mayor Bartels needs to ask the Board about a Board meeting date for next year. The Clerk needs to post next year's schedule soon. July 4, 2018 is the first Wednesday in July and we need to choose another meeting date. He asked if everyone is ok with changing the meeting to Wednesday, July 11, 2018. Trustee Crowe stated it was his wedding anniversary so he would not be there. The rest of the Board is fine with changing the meeting from July 4, 2018 to July 11, 2018. The Clerk will post as such.

7. Unfinished Business

- A. 2nd Reading and approval of A RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE ANNUAL BUDGET FOR THE VILLAGE OF COAL VALLEY, ILLINOIS FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2018 AND ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2018.

Trustee Keppy mentioned that Colona stated a neighboring city has not raised their taxes in five years now, meaning Coal Valley as the neighbor.

A motion was made by Trustee Stickell to approve A RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE ANNUAL BUDGET FOR THE VILLAGE OF COAL VALLEY, ILLINOIS FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2018 AND ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2018. A second to the motion was given by Trustee Keppy. Roll Call: Ayes-Bain, Keppy, Engstrom, Crowe, Stickell, Hoyt. Ayes 6, motion carried.

- B. 2nd Reading and approval of the ANNUAL TAX LEVY ORDINANCE, VILLAGE OF COAL VALLEY AND ORDINANCE REQUESTING THE COUNTY CLERKS OF ROCK ISLAND AND HENRY COUNTIES, ILLINOIS NOT TO EXTEND 2017 TAXES FOR PAYMENT OF PRINCIPAL AND INTEREST ON THE \$2,000,000 GENERAL OBLIGATION CORPORATE PURPOSE BONDS SERVICES 2008.

A motion was made by Trustee Engstrom to approve the ANNUAL TAX LEVY ORDINANCE, VILLAGE OF COAL VALLEY AND ORDINANCE REQUESTING THE COUNTY CLERKS OF ROCK ISLAND AND HENRY COUNTIES, ILLINOIS NOT TO EXTEND 2017 TAXES FOR PAYMENT OF PRINCIPAL AND INTEREST ON THE \$2,000,000 GENERAL OBLIGATION CORPORATE PURPOSE BONDS SERIES 2008. Trustee Bain gave a second to the motion. Roll Call: Ayes-Bain, Keppy, Engstrom, Crowe, Stickell, Hoyt. Ayes 6, motion carried.

8. New Business

- A. Approval of the Treasurer's Report for October 2017.

Mayor Bartels stated the ending balance went down quite a bit from the beginning balance. Ms. Mullen reported that there were quite a few large bills paid out in October.

A motion was made by Trustee Stickell to approve the Treasurer's Report for October 2017. Trustee Hoyt gave a second to the motion. Roll Call: Ayes-Bain, Keppy, Engstrom, Crowe, Stickell, Hoyt. Ayes 6, motion carried.

- B. Approval for travel, meal and lodging expense reimbursement request for Homicide Investigation Training.

Ms. Ernst reported that in January 2017 the State developed a mandate for Government agencies to report and gain approval by the Board for all business travel. This reimbursement is for Chief Chick and Sergeant Krebs. We use the per diem rates for Illinois. Discussion was held.

Trustee Hoyt made a motion to approve the travel, meal and lodging expenses for Chief Chick and Sergeant Krebs from the Homicide Investigation Training. Trustee Crow gave a second to the motion. Roll Call: Ayes-Bain, Keppy, Engstrom, Crowe, Stickell, Hoyt. Ayes 6, motion carried.

C. 1st Reading of AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE IX-STREETS, PUBLIC WAYS AND PUBLIC PROPERTY; DIVISION II-WATER/SEWER/PERMITS/ CONNECTIONS/RATES; CHAPTER 1 WATERWORKS AND SEWERAGE RATES, SECTION 9 SERVICE CHARGE.

Mayor Bartels explained that when a change of ownership occurs for a property there is paperwork and meter readings that take time and supplies so this \$25.00 will cover all of the changes that need to be made. Ms. Ernst reported that this type of administrative fee is standard practice in the Quad Cities. Mayor Bartels does not want to charge fees just because other communities do. This administrative fee is justified due to the costs incurred when changing ownership on Village utilities. Discussion was held on new homes and if brand new owners will pay this administrative fee. This will be worked on and brought back for a second reading.

D. 1st Reading of AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE VIII-ALCOHOLIC REGULATIONS, CHAPTER 1 ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES, SECTION 5 APPLICATION FOR LICENSE AND SECTION 10 CERTAIN ACTS AND PRACTICES PROHIBITED.

Ms. Ernst reported that the previous ordinance stated that the license holder must reside in Rock Island or Henry County and that has been removed. Also sales of alcohol was prohibited on Sundays and not sales are available on Sundays. Trustee Crowe questioned item i for inspecting the establishment. Chief Chick confirmed that the liquor commissioner (Mike Bartels) can inspect the premises at any time. Discussion was held. The Trustees want it checked with the other communities for sales before Noon on Sunday and age to sell/serve alcohol. These items will be checked and brought back to the Board for a 2nd Reading.

9. Payment of Bills

The bills for payment were reviewed by the Board.

A motion was made by Trustee Crowe to pay the bills presented. Trustee Bain offered a second to the motion. Roll Call: Ayes-Bain, Keppy, Engstrom, Crowe, Stickell, Hoyt. Ayes 6, motion carried.

10. Adjournment

A motion was made by Trustee Stickell to adjourn tonight's board meeting. A second was given by Trustee Hoyt. Ayes 6, motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 6:29 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Deanna Hulliger, Village Clerk