VILLAGE OF KINCAID

115 CENTRAL AVE., KINCAID, IL 62540

TIME- 7:00 P.M.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 14, 2020

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

The meeting was held at the Village Hall garage. Public was invited to attend the call via conference call.

The Mayor brought the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

**Roll call:**

Evans-Here, Garner-Here, Keafer-Here, Mahan-Here, Berroyer-Here, Durbin-Here

**Visitors:** Chasteen and Associates on Conference Call

Mark Bingham from Chasteen and Associates attended by conference call. He told the Board that the plans have been turned over to the EPA. Right now, there are three projects that can be phased out over multiple years and the reason this is done is to be able to spread the costs out so that we don’t have to have all the money out front. We are just waiting to see if we will receive an EPA loan, it is now sitting on the loan manager’s desk. As far as finances go, we turn over a 1-million-dollar plan for phase one, a little over 2-million-dollar plan for phase two, and a little over 1-million-dollar plan on the third project. Right now, those figures are very budgetary. They were turned in at what they anticipate what we are wanting to do for the project, then we have to get into the design of the project and details. There is a lot of paperwork that has to be turned in and this is all done by them as it comes back from the State. Once we get to the place where we can advertise and open the project for bid, we can then start getting reimbursed for the design and plan engineering. There will also have to be some legal services that will have to be completed which can also be reimbursed through the loan program. The way the State forces the Communities to do it is they want us to pay the first step up front showing that you actually want to do these projects and move forward and sign the actual loan papers. We possibly can start the first project in Summer of 2021 but this will be up to the Board when we actually want to start. Once we get the loan agreement this is where it discusses our grant allocation and principle forgiveness. Roughly January or February we start getting our review responses back and then we will start issuing our Public Hearings and approvals in March and start projects in July. This is typically how it goes but it is not set-in stone.

**Approval of Minutes:**

A motion was made by Keafer with the second motion made by Garner to approve last month’s meeting minutes.

Roll call: Mahan-yes, Keafer-yes, Berroyer-yes, Garner-yes, Durbin-yes, Evans-yes

**Visitors:**

**VISITORS- A PERSON SHALL BE PERMITTED AN OPPORTUNITY TO ADDRESS OFFICIALS UNDER THE RULES ESTABLISHED BY THE VILLAGE OF KINCAID (2 MINUTES PER PERSON) 5 ILCS 120/2.06g**

**Gary Warren asked President Morris is there was any safeguard put in place for when the two deputies graduate from school and will protect the Village with what the amount the Village has paid for their schooling so that they just don’t get out of school and go to some other department for a better offer.**

Officer Mahan stated that once the 2 officers graduate, we will get reimbursed the $2000.00 for the schooling by the State of Illinois. There will be no actual loss that the Village can prove. All of the equipment will be returned to the Village also. Anything that is provided to them they are required to return if they choose to leave.

Gerry Dees asked the Board if they were going to start having rock delivery to residents.

The Clerk stated that this was talked about at the last meeting and the Village is not going to start delivering rock to residents.

**Attorney’s Report:**

Attorney Fines stated that he is noticing some controversy with one of the trustees. He thinks it is important for the Mayor, Board members, Secretary, and Treasurer know what their duties are in holding these offices. It is very important to know what your powers are and if you wrongly use these powers you may be subject to wrongful misconduct or official misconduct, which could lead to being charged a misdemeanor. The person can also be removed from office. He does not want to see anyone go to this extent.

He also noted that what he tells everyone in his office is “what is said in my law firm stays in my law firm” and if something gets out of his law firm guess who is in trouble not the people that leaked it out, he is. The same thing happens here, the trustee in his opinion should not leak anything out that goes on in these meetings especially the closed sessions. That is official misconduct and this happens quite a bit at other villages and cities. In previous years we didn’t have social media but that is what people are thriving on now. He stated that we need to emphasize that we can’t take the Village of Kincaid issues and put-on Facebook and criticize himself, the Mayor, the other Trustees or whomever. It is not fair. He would like to emphasize that the Village has a good Board of Trustees. They all give their input in which they should and as a general rule there is not a whole lot of arguing. The Board takes a lengthy time in discussing issues which is our prerogative and he feels is a plus too. Attorney Fines stated that he wants the Board to go forward and not backward and he knows that it can be done by this Board of Trustees.

**Old Business:**

* **Safe Passage**

A motion was made by Trustee Durbin with the second motion made by Trustee Keafer to bring back the Safe Passage program and it is to be housed at the Kincaid Police Department.

Roll call: Durbin-yes, Keafer-yes, Berroyer-yes, Mahan-no, Garner-yes, Evans-yes

* **Donation to American Legion**

The American Legion here in Kincaid donated their building for the Village Board to hold their meetings in a safe environment. The clerk stated that we had a total of 9 meetings at the American Legion due to COVID. At last month’s meeting it was discussed to give a donation to the American Legion.

A motion was made by Durbin with the second motion made by Garner to give a $225.00 donation to the Kincaid American Legion.

Roll call: Evans-yes, Mahan-yes, Durbin-yes, Berroyer-yes, Keafer-yes, Garner-yes

* **Create new Ordinance for Police Dept**.

Chief Mathon address the Board about creating a new ordinance “Disorderly House Ordinance” that would allow them to write an ordinance to residents that have had 3 police calls at three different times within 12 months at the same residence. The violation would be $250.00

A motion was made by Trustee Keafer with the second motion made by Trustee Berroyer.

Roll call: Durbin-yes, Garner-yes, Keafer-yes, Evans-yes, Mahan-yes, Berroyer-yes

**New Business:**

* **Allocation of money from Lake**

**Treasurer Merano stated the money is in the General Fund. As of 11/30/2020, we have collected $23250.00. Disbursements were $1624. 06. Trustee Berroyer stated that he thinks that we need to use this money to fix the dam first and we will need to have the roads repaired due to all the campers and cars that come in and out. Foreman Wolfe stated that in the disbursement’s signage was paid out from this amount, buoy rope was purchased to string across the spillway for safety, a few other signs, garbage is $100.00 a month for trash pickup out there. Wolfe also stated that he is hoping to this spring start putting on the water side of the dam a pawn liner on the face of it along with the big rock so that it will be easier to maintain.**

* **Equipment for Police Officers**

Chief Mathon stated that the 2 part time officers are needing some required equipment and safety equipment for each of them. The department is also needing extra handcuffs for each squad car. We also had to purchase 4 new badges at $514.00 in which Chief Mathon has received.

A motion was made by Trustee Durbin with the second motion made by Trustee Keafer for the approval of purchasing the required and safety equipment for the part time officers as well as the extra handcuffs needed.

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Roll call: Mahan-yes, Durbin-yes, Keafer-yes, Garner-yes, Evans-yes, Berroyer-yes

* **Approve of rebuilding radar for squad car**

A motion was made by Trustee Durbin with the second motion made by Trustee Garner to approve the rebuilding of the rear radar for the squad car in the amount of $795.00

Roll call: Garner-yes, Keafer-yes, Evans-yes, Berroyer-yes, Durbin-yes, Mahan-no

**Approval of Bills:**

A motion was made by Trustee Keafer with the second motion made by Trustee Garner to approve all bills.

Roll call: Evans-yes, Berroyer-yes, Mahan-yes, Keafer-yes, Garner-yes, Durbin-yes

**Treasurer’s Report:**

A motion was made by Trustee Durbin with the second motion made by Trustee Keafer for the approval of the Treasurer’s report.

Roll call: Durbin-yes, Garner-yes, Keafer-yes, Mahan-yes, Berroyer-yes, Evans-yes

**Police Report:**

Chief Mahan provided to the Board the Police report of activity. It has been very busy. It is his goal to get each part time officer in their own squads. Officer Deal has just started working in his own squad on his own. He is trying to get as much coverage as he can done. He would like to talk to the Board at the Committee meeting about maybe allowing more hours for the part time officers to get this coverage. Trustee Evans inquired about the property behind Casey’s. Chief Mahan stated that he did give a 30-day warning. According to the ordinance book that it is considered a salvage yard and if it is considered a salvage yard it will need an 8-foot fence around it.

**Foreman’s Report:**

Foreman Wolf stated that we did get our dump truck back with new rebuilt motor. The total amount was $14927.14.

He also stated that Joe Cervi has torn down the building on Walnut Street. Several Board members stated that it looks very nice and that he did a great job.

Foreman Wolfe also inquired to the Board about what the next step was in selling the property. We need to set a time we want to sell property and discuss a minimum bid.

**Zoning report:**

Mike Lawrence stated that he has issued 5 building permits.

For the year we issued 3 houses, 3 decks, 5 garages 7 extension, 2 room additions, and a porch addon.

**Clerk’s Report:**

Nothing to report

**President and Trustee’s**

Trustee Durbin stated that the Sedlock property, on the highway; Mr. Sedlock stated that he would have something built in a couple of years and nothing has been built yet. Mayor Morris stated that he has a few complaints from people about the property.

Trustee Evans asked if we knew anymore about the bowling alley. Mayor Morris said that he had not. Mike Lawrence stated that he knows of someone that is interested in it.

Trustee Mahan asked about the dump truck and questioned if we received an itemized receipt and the paperwork of the warranty that was to come with it. The Mayor replied yes. Trustee Mahan asked if it was a three-year warranty. The Mayor stated it was for one year. Trustee Mahan stated that he thought it was supposed to be a 3-year warranty. The Mayor stated that 3 years is what he thought it was suppose to be. Mahan asked if we knew this before we got it in writing or knew this all along. The Mayor stated that Foreman Wolfe is saying we didn’t get anything. All we got was a one-year warranty. Mahan asked why we didn’t get the three-year warranty and Mark stated that he did not ask when he picked up the truck.

A motion was made by Trustee Durbin with the second motion made by Trustee Keafer to adjourn the meeting.

Roll call:

Evans-yes, Garner-yes, Keafer-yes, Durbin-yes, Berroyer-yes, Mahan-yes

The meeting was adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

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Marla O’Dell, Clerk