

Village of Kincaid
115 Central Ave. Kincaid, IL. 62540
Time- 6:00 P.M.
Monday March 9th, 2026
Regular Meeting Minutes

The meeting was brought to order by Mayor Tony Pezze.

Roll call was taken by the Village Clerk- Watson- here, Paso- here, Jaeger- here, Broccardo- here, Dees- here, Nelson- here.

The pledge of allegiance was recited by all who attended the meeting.

Approval of February's Meeting Minutes- Trustee Nelson made a motion to approve the minutes, a second motion was made by Dees. All ayes

Special Guest Linda Burchi – Linda started by saying they just got back February 16th, that is when they pulled in on the property. They got bids, just waiting on the third one. They should know more in about a month on a date for when they can break ground, just a matter of accepting a bid at this point, so that is where they are at. Pezze- You are wanting an extension then? Linda- Yes, we didn't move in January the weather was just bad. Nelson- What is the date right now, what kind of extension are you asking for? How much longer? From when to when? Linda- We should know more of it within 30-60 days, in 60 days we should have a definite set and within 30 days we will have the 3rd bid. Paso- Is this what is going to happen this time because this is kind of what you said last time. Linda- Right, I am aware of that but, last year we took on two foster children and there was a lot last year. It took a year and a half just to get the property out of probate, we aren't going to put a building on something that isn't ours technically yet. Pezze- That's up to you guys but I say another three-month extension but if nothing happens after that point... Linda- Oh we definitely have to break ground in three months so three months will work because we want this building up as fast as you guys want this building up. Nelson- We are fine with that, but we aren't doing this again. Trustee Paso made a motion to approve a three-month extension (June 1st), it was seconded by Watson. All ayes.

Special Guest Jim Baker – Deputy Chief Baker made an appearance to talk to the community about his upcoming election as Christian County Sheriff.

Old Business

Part-time in Street Department- Pezze- We talked about hiring in the street department last meeting, but we didn't set a wage so we need to set a wage for that so we can get it published online. Paso- I think we discussed that part time in the street department would probably be best if we start them out at \$17.50, that was the recommendation that came out of the finance committee. Trustee Paso made a motion to hire part-time in street department starting at \$17.50 an hour. A second motion was made by Nelson. All ayes.

Mower repair/replace- Pezze- On the mower repair / replacement. Louis and I took the mower up to have it looked at because it keeps throwing the belts off. If we repair it, it is going to cost us \$2344. It only has a \$2500 trade in value, that's all. Louis- And honestly he didn't want to take it and trade it. Pezze- We can either repair it or replace it with a 72-inch Exmark, the price on the exmark was \$21,000. Broccardo- Yes, then we will get a 17% municipality discount. Pezze- We will get it for \$16,719 and keep our old one, or if we trade it in it will be \$14,219, so are you guys wanting to repair it or replace it? The tractor is five years old. Jaeger- How many inches was the wright? Pezze- The new one will be 72 inch; the old one is 60. Broccardo- It has a monster engine too, it carries 6 quarts and cooled and all of that, he was honest and said he doesn't want this old one. Nelson- What would really be helpful is like if we could see what the committee says and see if we can make these numbers work and they say hey, it sounds good. That's always kind of nice to have in front of us. I kind of think it is a no brainer that we kind of need to spend the money. Broccardo- If I remember correctly, I believe Bev said we had \$25,000 set aside for a mower. Bev, did we have \$25,000 set aside for mowers or something like that? Merano – We have \$150,000 in the equipment. Broccardo- ok, I think we have enough. Paso- I don't see any reason why we would want to repair it for that cost. Nelson- No, I wouldn't think so if it isn't worth it. Paso- Is it still usable? Is the old one still usable? Pezze- No, it keeps throwing belts off of it. Broccardo- If you are cutting grass for like two hours you are putting belts back on twice? CJ- No, it was about 5 times, I think we spend more time putting the belt back on than we did mowing. Paso- I don't think we have much choice, I think we are going to have to buy a new mower and to me this price is reasonable. He does or doesn't want to take the old one? Broccardo- He didn't' want to take it, but we talked him into it. Nelson- I think we do it before he changes his mind. Trustee Dees made a motion to purchase a new mower. Nelson seconded the motion. All ayes.

Lake Lot Lease agreement – Watson- Ok, Louis had made a motion about making the rent \$475 and nobody living out there year-round. I've done some looking because I found out, I didn't realize that there was an actual ordinance for the lake lots. I thought all of this time we have been talking about these different agreements. So, I found out that in the ordinance there is a storage fee of \$250, I know that they say they have never paid it and I know that I looked from 2020 until this year and until this year the storage fee was in there it just was never enforced. Kent Rule- It was the first year because I paid for it the first year. Watson- But it has never been since then. What I would like to do is rescind Louis motion that we voted on and make a new motion. Broccardo- Can I stop you really quick,, the reason; during that meeting it was controversy and crazy as heck and I finally just said \$475 until we get a new contract and everybody figure it out. So that's what that was all about. Paso- So we have to rescind the first one? Watson- Do we have to rescind it before I make a new motion? Watson made a motion to rescind Louis motion on the price for the lake lots. Paso seconded the motion. All ayes.

Watson- I was out at the lake yesterday and I went back out today and I took some pictures and out of all of the lake lots out there, Kent and his nephew that is next to him are the one people who are legal out there. Not one other camper out there is legal. Licensed, stickers from 2020, there is a boat trailer out there at the overflow that has been there for months, and it is stated that the overflow is not storage. But anyway, my motion is to make the lot fee \$500, a storage fee of \$150 dollars, that all trailers, boats, golf carts have to be legal and its only daytime hours from October 1st – April 1st. That is my motion. Broccardo- When do we change the clocks back? Would you go November 1st for them to have their Halloween party out there? Pezze- We have a motion on the floor, is there a second? Paso- I will second for saving discussion. Paso- Are we voting or discussing, I am confused. Nelson- Well we need to discuss, as it stands right now I will not support it unless we discuss it. We just can't in five minutes decide we are going to change the

game and that's not the way it should be, we should have a discussion. Well, I think more importantly and I don't know what direction that we are going to go as far as the campgrounds are concerned and the people on the lake lots, but everybody needs to be on the same contract. Have we gotten that far? So, everyone out there is on the same exact contract. Paso- We have a new contract. Nelson- I think we need to do it in stages, I don't want to say that I am against proposing and I get where you are coming from. Watson- Ok, Kip what I am saying is; for 4 years there were contracts that had that storage fee in it that they didn't pay, and they did not enforce and in this last year somehow that storage fee got taken out of the contract and nobody knows how it got taken out or who took it out. But the lake has all kinds of crap out there that is piling up because we are letting it be a storage thing year-round. Nelson- Right, and I don't know necessarily that this is going to be some type of method that is going to be able to correct that, but I want to say that first and foremost you can't have all of them on different contracts that's where we have to start and the language of that contract at some point in time will say \$500, but they all need to be the same. Broccardo- That is the contract she is talking about now, and the contract from last year is expired if I'm not mistaken. Nelson- I don't think it has yet. Broccardo- Ok, so May 1st, if they like the contact they stay if they don't they don't. This is my last meeting so I'm trying to keep quiet about it, but we have been talking about this damn thing for a year, I have been on the board for a year and we've gotten nothing accomplished. Nothing. Paso- Well let's not beat ourselves up over not getting anything accomplished, we had three different contracts floating around, we had lots of information coming from a lot of different people who were erected and told by other people who were no longer here so before we can do anything we first have to say ok, come March 1st we will have a new contract and everyone will sign the new contract. That has already been decided, and it is in the works Kip. So, we have got an issue because we have numerous things we are facing out there and all I am saying is that on May 1st everyone is going to have a new contract. They want to sign it they can sign it, if they don't want to sign it then they don't. Broccardo- I didn't mean to say we didn't get shit accomplished. I am just saying that at every meeting when we talk about this. Paso- Well every time we met we found another wrinkle. Broccardo- Yes, and now that she has a plan. Paso- May 1st they all get a new contract but between now and then we have gone back through statute after statute and ordinance and Gina has put in the bulk of the work looking through all of this, so if there was a fee before and her recommendation is that we go to \$500 a year, total cost being \$650 and that really comes down to being you know \$50 and some change every month to the people who want to rent out there. That is basically it. Dees- I don't agree with the daytime hours only. A campground is a campground, so you are not going to be able to bring RVS out there because they are going to have to pull out at 6 at night. Paso- No, No, No. Pezze- We don't have water turned on out there anyway for the RVs. Dees- The ones you rent. Watson- Those are winter hours from October 1st - April 1st. Broccardo- What are you calling daytime hours? Watson- Dawn to dusk. Broccardo- I am not trying to pick on you but make sure you put those hours in there. Nelson- We have a motion and a second. And everyone needs to be on the same contract. Watson- My motion is lot fee \$500, storage fee \$150, all trailers boats and golf carts have to be legal and daytime hours from October 1st - April 1st. Pezze- October 31st - Watson- Sorry October 31st - April 1st. Jaeger- It has to be May 1st. Paso- It has to be April 30th. November 1st - April 30th. Dees- Yes, Watson- Yes, Paso- Yes, Jaeger- Yes, Nelson- Yes, Broccardo- Abstain.

New Business

Accept Louis Broccardo resignation- Pezze- I got a letter of resignation from Louis stating he hereby resigns from his position as Kincaid Village Trustee effective March 9, 2026. Broccardo- The reason

I am resigning, the board knows but other people don't know. My pancreas and liver have been shot for over 10 years. I have been in a Mayo clinic study, not curable. In November, I had a heart attack, and they put a stint in, I have an aortic aneurysm and now I have problems with my spleen and my kidneys. I have gone to six appointments already this month and have six more next month. My grandkids are playing sports on Mondays and that is when we are having meetings, which is why I am resigning. I like doing what I do, but I have to put myself first for once.

Accept Seath Hubbs resignation- Pezze- From Seath. Please accept this letter as formal notice of my resignation from my position as Police Officer with the Kincaid Police Department effective March 6, 2026. Serving the Village of Kincaid and its residents has been an honor and privilege. I am grateful for the opportunity to work alongside dedicated officers, city officials, and community members in maintaining public safety and upholding the values of the department. I remain committed to ensuring a smooth and professional transition. I am willing to assist in any way possible during this period to support the department and the village. Thank you for your leadership and for the opportunity to serve this community. I wish the Village of Kincaid and the Police Department continued success in the future.

Pezze- Now a lot of people didn't understand. Yes, Seath was still on our books as an employee but now that he is off I am on. We have put in a lot of hours looking for a new police officer, but Seath was an asset and a great officer.

Appoint New Trustee- Pezze- I talked to Dave and he is willing to come on board if they board will have him. Watson- I make a motion to appoint Dave Oller as the new Trustee. Nelson seconded the motion. All ayes.

David Oller took oath of office as a Trustee.

Approval of spillway contract- Pezze- I finally got the contractor to come out and do work at the spillway, they will fill the voids on the west bank and hopefully get to the east bank and they are also going to repair he didn't break it down but some major cracks and breaks on the sides of the spillway, they will repair some of them. That will cost twelve thousand dollars. All of that gets paid off the lake fund. We put a road down because we had to have a way strong enough for a concrete truck. The guys went down and dumped the rock and spread it so we can get a cement truck down there, we have a bout close to \$4,000 in that. All of this is from the Lake Fund. So, we need approval for the contract. Paso- I make a motion that we accept slabjackers estimate and go with it. Jaeger seconded the motion- All ayes.

2-Day training (Vac truck)- Pezze- this is to send CJ to a 2-day training for the Vac Truck. Nelson- I make a motion to send CJ to a 2-day training course for the Vac Truck. Merano- Do we have a cost for this? CJ- It should be on the paper. \$275. Watson- Is it just CJ going? Pezze- Just CJ this time because they already went to a class when they picked it up. Watson- Where is this going to be at? Nelson- Rochester. A second motion was made by Dees. All ayes.

Gas detectors- CJ- I was looking at our gas detectors, the ones we use when we go into manholes, and the battery is shot on it, and it is no longer being made so I was wondering if we could get another one. There are a couple of them, you should have a printout. Pezze- CJ what is your recommendation? CJ- they are all fine, the one with the portable fan or vacuum would be better but is not necessary. Dees- The one with the internal pump? Let's go mid-grade guys, the \$1300 dollar one. Dees made a motion to approve a new gas detector. No more than \$1500. Nelson seconded the motion. All ayes.

Purchase new Military flags- Pezze- Some of the flags down here at the memorial are getting a little raggedy and we would like a motion to buy new flags. Broccardo- I bought them last year and got the cheapest ones, but if you want to go bigger than a 3X5 you should spend no more than \$200. Watson made a motion to buy new flags and replace them. Nelson made a second motion. All ayes.

Shoreline aquatics- Pezze- This is a treatment plan for the pond and the total on it is \$5813 per season and that is to kill the algae and all of the dye and help make it look nice. That is a yearly thing, the contract is a three-year contract. Dees- Beverly, is that coming out of the park fund? Beverly- No, it will come out of general, there isn't enough money in the park fund. Nelson- How much is it \$5800? And is it kind of like a maintenance agreement per year? Paso- Yes, they pull the fountain out and put it back in and service it. CJ- That is a separate fee, this will be algicides and stuff like that. Dees- Yes, they wanted us to run it for a year before they did any type of treatment. Paso- I mean we have a nice fountain in there, I think that we talked about applying for some grants to department of natural resources and maybe they will help out to get a fishing pier out there so that people who are handicapped or have limited mobility can get out there and fish and if we are going to do that we have to take care of the lake, we have let it go for too long. Paso made a motion to pay the maintenance fee for the treatment plan. It was seconded by Jaeger. All ayes.

Approval of ordinance regarding animals, poultry, livestock in agriculture areas- Pezze- Approval of ordinance regarding animals, poultry, livestock in agriculture areas. This was given to us at the last meeting last month. Nelson- We really aren't doing anything different than how the ordinance was in the book. Pezze- It was taken out of the new book, but the same thing is in the old book. Nelson- So, we don't have anything in there right now and we need to have it? So, we need a motion to do that. Nelson made a motion to approve the ordinance regarding animals, poultry, livestock in agriculture areas, it was seconded by Watson. All ayes.

Discuss water tower- Pezze- I talked to Chastain and they got me hooked up with another engineering company to come out and inspect our water tower. It is supposed to be done every three years. The cost for the inspection is \$4100, and we have to drain it. Nelson made a motion to spend the \$4100 for the inspection on the water tower. Dees seconded the motion. All ayes.

Purchase study guides for pesticide licensing- CJ- there should be three pages in front of you with different books on there. One is aquatics, one is rights of way, and one is general standards. We have a general standards book but it is from 2003, so we need a new one and I don't believe we have any for the rights of way or aquatics. This is for spraying. At least one person needs to pass these tests to spray. They are like \$20 each and it would be a good idea to have a copy of them and leave them in the shop. On the next agenda we will have the mosquito spray and training for the test also. Dees made a motion to purchase the study guides/books. Nelson seconded the motion. All ayes.

Donation for easter egg hunt- Pezze- I think we usually give \$100. Nelson- Is that what we did last year? Nelson made a motion to donate \$100 for the Easter Egg Hunt, it was seconded by Dees. All ayes.

Discuss security cameras- Pezze- I got both bids back for security cameras. Altman wants \$9455 that is a completely new system and Wareham's came in at \$5860. I don't know what the

difference in cameras are but I do know Altman's is going to have a 20-terabyte hard drive and Wareham's is 4 but that is still good for 15-25 days of storage. Seath was telling me this morning when I was talking to him that that's what they have over in Assumption is Wareham's and they have no problems with them. Nelson- So basically you're not moving forward with Altman's from Taylorville but are wanting to move forwards with the \$5800 from Wareham's. Paso made a motion to accept Wareham's bid for new security cameras. A second motion was made by Dees. All ayes.

Employment- Pezze- We are going to bypass employment right now and go to visitors.

VISITORS:

VISITORS- A PERSON SHALL BE PERMITTED AN OPPORTUNITY TO ADDRESS OFFICIALS UNDER THE RULES ESTABLISHED BY THE VILLAGE OF KINCAID (3 MIN PER PERSON) 5ILCS 120.2.06g

Carl Williams said he was here about the boulevard; there is no way me or my family can take care of it with the shape that it is in right now. I got a picture here to give you Tony of what it is like right now at this moment. The problem is when they took them trees out and filled it in with dirt they piled it up probably 5 inches higher or so than the original boulevard, which I can understand because when they took the roots out there was a big hole there and the settlement. But right now, I've got probably a few inches of settlement where the trees were at, and the dirt is all around it and it is still probably 3-6 inches higher than the original boulevard. Pezze- So do they just need to come over and drag it back down? Carl- They need to drag it out, I could have had grass planted or something. Like I said, I understand the settlement and, at the end of my two driveways when it rains or snow melts or whatever I get a puddle between the road and my driveway, and it is anywhere from 3-4 inches deep. I have asked for at least 2-3 years to try and get some black top put down there. What the problem is, is just before you come to my drive way the road is normal and level but it gets down juts before my driveway and its inward and goes down probably in front of Gary Naves driveway and then it smooths back out again, But, with that hump right there it's letting the water just come down and sit there until it goes into the ground or runs down. I think that if I can get that built up right there, right now if we go shopping or my wife does she can't use our driveway to get stuff out of the trunk because you would have to stand in about 3-4 inches of water. I called Kip over almost a year ago and explained to him what was going on, he saw it and knows what problem I'm talking about. Pezze- If we don't get it drained it is still going to sit there. Carl- Well I think if you got that built up or something. Nelson- He is wanting to put a patch on there; he is wanting some asphalt. The problem I think Tony is that I believe he has been told a couple of different times it would get taken care of and its just getting pushed off. It is to the point where someone needs to do something about it. Weather has been troubling a few times after the trees were cut down and there are all kinds of reasons as to why it wasn't, but I think we need to get to it. Pezze- We will go down and take a look and see what we can do.

Clare Duran asked if there was anything written up for her to take to the courthouse? Tony- We have it right here. Clare- I can get a copy of that after the meeting? Pezze- Yes.

Louis Broccardo – I wanted to bring it up in the meeting while I was still a trustee, but it wasn't on the agenda and that is my fault. But I am pretty sure that Tommy and Dallas are leaving in November unless they change their minds. Now, last year me and Jason did like 5-6 interviews for part time guys and also we didn't have the money which is understandable. But I noticed when CJ was sick for a week. I went down to Springfield St and helped Tommy and Dallas with that water line leak. It takes 3 people minimum to do any of that stuff. I hope that you can find it in your budget

to have 4 people. Because if CJ is gone or Dallas is gone, they don't get anything done unless someone volunteers. I don't know if you can find it in your budget or what but I think they had 4 before, like I said if someone gets sick. They are screwed. Pezze- I don't every remember having 4 but it's possible. Broccardo- I am just saying, if somebody gets sick.. Then that is something you have to worry about. I read in the ordinance that people can volunteer their services to help if you sign something, maybe insurance or some waiver. Pezze- I think what we would have to do now that they are union, can you even do it? Broccardo- When I called last time when Dale Adomitis got mad at me for mowing. The union guy that did the contract said that if your workers don't give a crap, who cares? They are the ones losing money by not working it. But they aren't losing money because they are going to work somewhere else to get something done. It is really no different than you putting a contract out, they are taking the mowing job away from the guys anyway. That is the way it was explained to me. But I just think with Tommy and Dallas leaving and CJ just said he has to get pesticides you might as well start thinking about getting someone trained quick if you are going to hire. That is just my opinion. Pezze- We will have to sit down and see what we have. Broccardo- I know that 1 or 2 people have already applied and one kid worked for Puccetti farms and is CDL qualified with tractors and back hoes and all of that good stuff. Now, you wait too long and come harvest he may not come or interview. Honestly, out of the last 5 we had we only had 1 good one and he was a cop and he was willing to do a part-time cop if we got him certified but that fell through because all of the water money and everything went out. Pezze- It is definitely something to think about.

Approval of Bills- Nelson made a motion to approve the bills. It was seconded by Dess. All ayes.

Approval of treasurer's report- Merano- You have my report and I would like your permission to open a one-hundred-thousand-dollar CD out of the general fund. Dees- You need our permission? Nelson- We promised that once we borrowed that money back in June that we were going to buy one.

Nelson made a motion to approve the one-hundred-thousand-dollar CD. A second motion was made by Dees. All ayes.

Dees made a motion to approve the treasurer's report; it was seconded by Nelson. All ayes.

Clerk's report- A report was given to all of the Trustees.

Attorney's report- Attorney Rabin- My report is we got the agriculture zoning ordinance done for the amendment for the zoning for the 2 homeowners. I am working on, the Village President pointed out that there is an address in Edinburg with a parcel number that they might have messed up at the County, but we have to get to the bottom of that. I am going to talk to Bev a little bit about FOIA request with a little bit of new information and new things you can do. It's like the Sheriff was talking about like now you can reply and say are you a person and until they reply and say yes I am a person, you do not have to respond to the FOIA request. So, those ones especially you just respond with are you a person and if they don't reply then the request is done.

Nelson- Beverly are the ones you were getting AI you think?

Merano – Yes

Paso- Yes, they were all generated the same way from the same place.

Trustee's report and comments- Nelson- I just wanted to get the CD, so I am happy, good job.

Watson- I just want to ask one thing, since we don't have animal control anymore; over there behind the Methodist Church, Mike told me that there are gobs and gobs of cats over there and

they have been going under the parsonage and he is trying to block it off. But it smells like urine awful. The other day I drove down that alley, and I bet I saw 30 cats just down that alley. Nelson- I have a question; do we not have a Christian County Animal control? There is no such thing? Clare- They won't come here or take cats from here especially since they are so inflected with FIV FELV and the other disease that is going around. They won't take them because then it affects their entire areas there and then they have nowhere else to put them. Nelson- You think they are in that house? Watson- Well in that house next to them, I am sure they are in there but all of the way down that alley. Just cats everywhere. Clare- I have one of those really long wired cameras, I looked in it around it and there are just dozens and dozens of cats; dead, alive you name it and they are there. Broccardo- I know the owner of the land next to me where Passini lives in the old Mottershaw house he captured 36 cats in one day and over 80 snakes because he showed me. Watson- I just drove down that alley and saw at least 30 cats. Nelson- I am not familiar with any of this but is there someone we can hire and have them go in and get them all out? Is that such a thing? Clare- No, no one will come in and get any of the cats because of all of the diseases they have here. The only one that will come here and take care of the cats right now is the coyotes, the fox, the eagles the hawk.. That is the only thing that is going to take care of them. I was trying and look what happened, nobody wants to deal with that crap. Maybe people should start shutting their mouths and let us do our jobs. Nelson- Where you are saying they are at, is it a vacant building? Paso – It is the one right next to the methodist Church. Watson- they are going under the parsonage at the church too. Pezze- the owners won't answer the phone. The only thing I know of that we can do is bite the bullet and hire civil engineer to come in and condemn the place. Nelson- Would we have to do the civil engineer? Pezze- years ago when I was zoning, I took pictures of a trailer on Cherry Street that was junk, just as bad as that and we went to court; me and Dave Fines and the judge put me on the stand and the first question out of his mouth was are you a civil engineer? Are you an HVAC engineer? Are you an electrical engineer? Are you a plumbing engineer? No, No, No No. So, he asked what justifies me saying that it is bad. Nelson- I have been on for 5 years and I have been hearing about this building. Rabin- The Village president is right, if you are really going to condemn a property, you've got to go to court and get that order for demolition and all it takes is one lawyer opposing it or one judge to ask those questions. So, you find an engineer, structural engineer to go do a three-page report and that's that. Watson- I think it would be beneficial to see about an engineer. Nelson- Do you have any idea how much that would cost? Paso- They could probably make a determination by standing in front of the house or walking around the back and not even have to go inside the house. Pezze- I had to hire one to come in and do a survey on my property in Chatham to get it out of the flood plain and it cost me \$850. Rabin- Maybe if your current engineers have a structural guy they could give you a deal and say hey, we just need you to come out and take pictures and write about how crappy this place is and its danger. Broccardo- That's what I was wondering if Chastain could send one of their engineers to do it? Pezze- No. Clare- I just want to tell everyone you also have two houses on that same block that attract the cats in by continuously feeding them, they are constantly feeding them and I have talked to them several times and those are the two that I started working with to trap them and relocate them and test them and euthanize them if needed. You can see them late at night walking down the alley to that house to eat all of the food. Pezze- I will look into it and see what I can find and call Wright and see if he will do it for us. That is a place to start, and we will go from there. Nelson- Why is Christian County picking and choosing whether they can come here or not, don't we pay? Paso- They don't go to any other municipality, they serve Taylorville. They don't have enough animal control officers to take care of what they got. Nelson- Thank you for helping me, I didn't know.

President's report and comments-Pezze- the only thing I got is the water dispenser out there has been worked on three times since I have been in office, and it doesn't work now. A new one is going to cost us a little under \$6,000 for a new one and would take over 5 years to pay for itself. Nelson- Is there anyone else that sells the bulk water like us? Pezze- In Taylorville. Nelson- There needs to be an option. CJ- They are talking about purified water, not bulk water. Pezze- I just don't see it being worth the money for a new one. The only thing I have is the sidewalk grant, Chastain's has got it to where it has already been extended until spring of next year, but they made up a letter and I signed it to see if it is extended they won't take it away until 2028 so we have time to decide. Nelson- But, we will have to spend four hundred and some thousand, right? Broccardo- It is Two hundred and eighty that the Village would spend. Pezze- It is on stall for now. That is all I have; we need to go into a closed session. Paso- Tony, do you think that in that little water closet where we have the purified water, do you think that we can interest a private businessperson to come in and put in their equipment and run their operation out of there? Pezze- I am not sure who all does it, Boarman's. Paso- We have to equipment here if they want to put their stuff in and use it.

Nelson made a motion to go into closed session; Dees seconded the motion.

Closed Session

Meeting to discuss litigation when an action affecting, or on behalf of the particular body has been filed and is pending in a court. 5ILCS 120/2(c)(11)

Meeting to consider the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance or dismissal of specific employees. 5ILCS 120/2(c)(11)

All Ayes. The time was 7:27 P.M.

Trustee Dees made a motion to go back into Open session; it was seconded by Paso. All ayes. The time was 7:45 P.M.

Paso- I make a motion that we hire Cassandra Dees as our Deputy Clerk at a fee of \$20 hr. effective April 1 with benefits. Jaeger seconded the motion. Nelson- abstain. Jaeger- Yes, Paso- Yes, Oller- Yes, Watson- Yes.

Adjournment- Dees made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Nelson seconded the motion. All ayes. The time was 7:47 P.M.