

# Village of Washburn

**Mayor**

David Humphrey

**Village Clerk**

Becky Ulrich

**Village Treasurer**

Cheri Delap

**Water/Sewer/Street Department**

Mark Frerichs

December 9<sup>th</sup>, 2012  
Monthly Board Minutes

**Board of Trustees**

Edward Grebner  
Randy Ragains  
Larry Roop  
Robert Stanfield  
Nate Swanson

**Chief of Police**

Jeff Moline

Mayor David Humphrey called the meeting to order. Roll call was taken: All board members were present. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

The November meeting minutes were reviewed. Ed made a motion to approve the minutes, Nate seconded it. All ayes, motion carried.

The November 19<sup>th</sup> Special meeting minutes were reviewed. Nate made a motion to approve the minutes. Larry Roop asked if there was a quorum at that meeting because only 3 board members were present when the meeting took place. Mayor said yes because there are currently only 5 board member with Bill resigning. Ed seconded the motion. All ayes, motion carried.

The bills were reviewed. Randy said he has an objection on the addition of the Insurance Bill. Mike Storm said the bid placed was based on the information given to him. He said he didn't have any information on surety bonds when the quote was provided. There is an additional quote/bill for approximately \$700 for the surety bonds. Mike said he wasn't trying to conceal anything it just wasn't in the specs they were initially given. He said he thought of it after the meeting took place and spoke with Cheri to see if this is something that we would want included in our insurance and it is. Nate made a motion to add the additional insurance quote/bill, Rob seconded it. Rob made a motion to pay the bills, Ed seconded it. All ayes, motion carried.

Mayor wanted to nominate Larry Tomlinson as Board Trustee to fill the vacant position. A Roll call vote was taken to accept Larry as a new board member. The vote resulted in a 5-0, all ayes. Larry was then sworn in.

Mayor asked if any of the board members had any questions for Mike Storm? No one did.

Mayor asked if anyone from the audience had any questions for the board. Jared Kull was present and wanted to inquire about the mowing at Half Moon Park. He currently does the mowing. He wanted to make the board aware that he recently dropped off a list of jobs that he currently does at Half Moon. He wants to know if he keeps his price at the same rate if he can keep the job for the upcoming year? Or is it going to be bid out? It was said that there was a discussion about this at last month's meeting and it has be requested to be bid out; therefore it will be bid for the 2013 season.

**STREETS:** Ed said he had nothing on streets. Mark said he ordered six new barricades but that's all he had.

Mayor asked if they want his snow blower? Mark/Clint said to Cheri it would be great if they could use it.

**WATER/SEWER:** Ed said they brought up the generator issue at the lagoon to Mark. Mark said Altorfer has been contacted and we are on the list to have them come and check it out.

Back to Streets...Ed said Donna Knoll put up a garage this year and replaced the sidewalk. The total bill for the sidewalk cement is \$125. It's customary that we pay for half of the bill for the sidewalk. Ed made a motion to pay half of the \$125 bill, Rob seconded it. All ayes, motion carried.

Ed also mentioned that our old tornado siren is gone. The folks from the Village of Ashmoore came and got it last week. They sent us a nice letter thanking us for giving them the siren.

**POLICE:** Rob made a motion to transfer \$10,500 from corporate to police, Ed seconded it. All ayes, motion carried.

Chief gave a brief police report.

Chief also said he talked with the Principal at the school about the speed humps. The principal said he wanted to talk to the bus drivers about it and we haven't heard anything back from him.

The chief has also been in touch with Ragan Communication regarding handheld radios.

Chief also said he plans to start testing the tornado siren. The siren will be tested on the first Tuesday of every month at 10:00 a.m.

Ed had a comment that a couple of business owners have requested that the chief pop in and show his face so the owners can meet him. Jeff said it's on his list of things to do; he just hasn't gotten to all of them yet.

**INSURANCE & TIF:** Nothing to report.

**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT:** Nothing to report.

**LIBRARY:** Nothing to report.

**PARK:** Nothing to report.

**OLD BUSINESS:** Nothing to report.

**NEW BUSINESS:** Danny had the Tax Levy Ordinance prepared. It shows an increase of just under five percent. Larry Roop made a motion to accept Ordinance 12-05, Ed seconded it. A roll call vote was taken and resulted in a 6-0 ayes vote. The Ordinance passes.

Danny spoke a little on the I.C.C (Illinois Commerce Commission) and our Electrical Aggregation Program. The question is whether we want to pay the money to become part of this coalition or not. Danny spoke with Eureka and they are saying it will probably be for the larger municipalities and the smaller ones like us probably don't need to be involved. The cost is \$350 to join the coalition. Larry R said we should stay abreast with the situation and if the booking becomes a nightmare we can always add/join at a later date. The consensus for now is to table it, but keep an eye on it.

Larry made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:40 p.m., Rob seconded. All ayes, motion carried.

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Washburn Village Clerk

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Date