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VILLAGE BOARD MEETING
FEBRUARY 19, 2018

President Martinez called the meeting to order at 7:01p.m.

Trustees Shepherd, Ritzert, Vole, Lange and Canfield answered aye to roll call. Trustee Mogan was absent. Also present were President Martinez and Attorney Smoron. There were 5 people present in the audience.

Approve minutes of the February 5, 2018 Village Board Meeting

Trustee Lange made a motion to approve the minutes of the February 5, 2018 Village Board Meeting. Trustee Ritzert seconded the motion. Trustees Shepherd, Ritzert, Vole, Lange and Canfield approved the motion by answering aye. Motion carried.

Approve payment of January/February 2018 Accounts Payable

Trustee Shepherd made a motion to approve the January/February 2018 accounts payable in the amount of \$32,827.61. Trustee Lange seconded the motion. Trustees Shepherd, Ritzert, Vole, Lange and Canfield approved the motion by answering aye. Motion carried.

President's report

President Martinez commended the Public Works Dept. on the plowing they have been doing and then thanked the public for shoveling in accordance with the Village's ordinance. President Martinez told the Board that the Antique and Classic Bike club would like to have their 6th annual show in Hebron again. They would like to have it on Sunday May 20th 10am – 2pm. Trustee Shepherd said he would like to see it partially on 3rd St. Trustee Vole asked to be sure that they were not closing down Prairie Ave. and President Martinez explained that they were not. Trustee Canfield asked that they not set up before 8am. The consensus was to let them have the show in the Village.

Public comments #1

None

Discussion and vote on an ordinance pertaining to the IEPA Loan L17-1933

President Martinez told the Board that the Village had received an invoice from the IEPA but it was for the old rate so she called them. She then sent a copy of the bill to Gary Bingenheimer and he asked for a conference call. Gary had asked that the Village make one more interest only payment and then start on the new payment plan. President Martinez said she did not want to do that and informed him the Village could get the modification done before the next payment was due. Trustee Shepherd made a motion to approve an ordinance to restructure a Water Pollution Control Loan by Amending Prior Ordinance 2005-06-760. Trustee Canfield seconded the motion. Trustees Shepherd, Ritzert, Vole, Lange and Canfield approved the motion by answering aye. Motion carried.

Department Head Reports

Superintendent Nelson: Superintendent Nelson said they have been salting and they still have plenty of salt left

Treasurer Syens: Absent

Chief Donlea: Chief Donlea said the Police Department would be offering free gun locks. Citizens Police academy will be June and run 4 to 8 weeks.

Public Comments #2

Resident Janet Ratajczak spoke and asked why the Village was spending \$300,000 to paint the water

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tower when there is other infrastructure that needed attention. President Martinez explained that it would be more than \$300,000 and that it had not been done for over 20 years. After an inspection was done it showed that the tower is in need of this maintenance. Ms. Ratajczak then asked Chief Donlea why she had not seen any numbers on citations given in the Village. Chief explained to the Board that he would do a monthly update on the website. Ms. Ratajczak then asked why the Village had B boxes sticking up from the ground and thought it was a trip hazard. Trustee Canfield explained that the weather can play a part in it as the freezing and thawing can cause the pipes to move. He then asked Ms. Ratajczak to give the Village the addresses she was concerned about. Will Slaby addressed the Board and said that he lived across the street from the water tower and had bad pressure. Secondly Mr. Slaby went on to say that he has called the Hebron Police to complain about trespassing and that he was threatened to be arrested. He said that the contractor from next door was on his property. President Martinez explained to Mr. Slaby that this would be civil matter and that the back entrance to the property next door has always been used in the past. Mr. Slaby then said that Attorney Smoron had told him in the past that the property may be an easement. Attorney Smoron spoke and told Mr. Slaby that the Village would hesitate to arrest someone for using an egress and ingress that has been used for decades. Cindy Gentry then spoke to the Board and thanked Officer Liace for helping her when she asked that barriers be set up at a spot where a main break had been. She then said that she was worried about the speeding in town. She said that there was a vehicle at about 5:30 in the morning that was always speeding through town. She also liked the idea of the public knowing what kind of tickets that the Police Department were issuing.

Attorney's report

None

Board comments

Trustee Vole said that there was a complaint that the Village did not do a good job at plowing as they did not have the funds. He also said there was a photo of 2 of the Police squads parked and talking. President Martinez told him that the Public Works Department first goes through the Village to open up the roads and then proceeds to go back and widen them and clean them up. She then explained that the Police may have been discussing Police business when the photo he mentioned was taken.

Trustee Shepherd thanked the Public Works Department for the good job they had been doing on snow removal. He thought the Village roads were better than the County's.

President Martinez said she thought the Board should have to put their cell phones away during meetings. She also said that she felt that it would be in the best interest of the Board and Village if they would keep nasty and personal remarks out of the meeting and that if you have an issue with a Village Head that you would speak to her before or after the meeting instead of publicly.


Adjournment

7:59



Rose Smith-Miller

Village Clerk



Kimmy Martinez

Village President