

January 31, 2022

**MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING
OF
THE DWIGHT VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

**Held in the Public Services Complex
209 South Prairie Avenue, Dwight Illinois
January 31, 2022, at 4:30PM**

PRESENT: Paul Johnson, Village President; Marla Kinkade, Trustee; Randy Irvin, Trustee; Pete Meister, Trustee; Justin Eggenberger, Trustee and Jenny Johnson, Trustee

ABSENT: Chuck Butterbrodt, Trustee

Other Village Officials in Attendance: Kevin McNamara, Village Administrator; Police Chief Tim Henson, EMS Chief Mike Callahan, Austin Haacke, Finance Director and Whitney Scott, Village Clerk

The Special Village Board Meeting was called to discuss the purchase of Stryker Cots for the ambulances.

FINANCIAL REPORTS

Payment of the January 18, 2022, bills in the amount of \$61,337.76 were presented for payment from the various funds. Trustee Kinkade made a motion, with a second from Trustee Meister, to pay the bills as submitted. Roll call. All voted aye. Motion carries, 5-0.

Payment of the January 24, 2022, bills in the amount of \$128,450.38 were presented for payment from the various funds. Trustee Irvin made a motion, with a second from Trustee Meister, to pay the bills as submitted. Roll call. All voted aye. Motion carries, 5-0.

Mayor Johnson presented a Fund Transfer request of \$475.00 from Referendum Fund (36) to the Referendum Bond Fund (47). Trustee Meister made a motion, with a second from Trustee Kinkade. Roll call. All voted aye. Motion carries, 5-0.

NEW BUSINESS:

EMS Director Mike Callahan presented a proposal to purchase two (2) Stryker Cots for the ambulance remounts for a total cost of approximately \$105,000. He advised that the reason for the special meeting was due to the price increase of 7% effective tomorrow, February 1, 2022, and confirmed that as long as he confirmed our approvals to purchase via email to the vendor tonight, they'd honor the purchase price at today's rates. He explained this would be the power load system and stretchers for each of the two ambulance remounts, and that if they are installed as part of the remount now, it would avoid the potential future need to dismantle the older model and splice wiring. The average lifespan for the Stryker Cot is seven (7) years, however that is based on much higher usage as seen in larger cities such as Chicago, and we could expect closer to a 14-year lifespan. Callahan also explained that 60% of EMS injuries are back injuries due to lifting patients. Callahan concluded the request advising that this purchase would be the last of the large purchases to bring the ambulances up to newer/modern standards.

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Payment for the Stryker Cots was also discussed. Austin Haacke confirmed that both PNB of Kewanee – Dwight Banking Center and Bank of Pontiac at Dwight would offer 2.7% interest for a 5-year loan. Callahan further explained that payment would not be due until 30 days after Cross Roads received the equipment, and that we could delay shipment until they're ready for it.

Trustee Irvin made a motion, with a second from Trustee Johnson, to purchase the two Stryker Cots as proposed. Roll call. All voted aye. Motion carries, 5-0.

Finding no further new business, President Johnson asked for a motion to adjourn. A motion to adjourn was made by Trustee Eggenberger, with a second from Trustee Irvin to adjourn the meeting at 4:47 PM, all voted aye.

Paul Q. Johnson, Village President

ATTEST:

Whitney M. Scott, Village Clerk