

The Dwight Village Board of Trustees met in regular session at 6:00 p.m. with the meeting being called to order by President Jim Mixen. Roll call was as follows:

Present:

Jim Mixen	President
Angie Airgood	Trustee
Jerry Curtis	"
Jerry Harris	"
Gibs Nielsen	"
Ron Skinner	"

Absent:

Mike Woods	Trustee
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Other Village officials in attendance were Village Administrator Kevin McNamara, EMS Director Al Metzke, Police Chief Tim Henson, Public Works Director Dave Bozarth, and Village Attorney Irv Masching.

President Mixen led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

A motion was made by Nielsen and seconded by Harris to approve the minutes of the July 28, 2008 regular Village Board meeting as submitted. Upon roll call, all voted aye—motion carried.

The bills were presented for payment from the various funds in the amount of \$112,668.96. A motion was made by Harris and seconded by Nielsen to pay the bills as submitted and approved by the various committees. Upon roll call, all voted aye - motion carried.

President Mixen presented a resolution requesting permission from the Illinois Department of Transportation to temporarily close a portion of IL Rt. 17 on Sunday, September 21, 2008, from noon to 4:00 p.m. for the annual Harvest Days Parade.

A motion was made by Nielsen and seconded by Curtis to pass the Harvest Days Parade resolution. Upon roll call, all voted aye - motion carried.

A COPY OF RESOLUTION 2008-06 IS ON FILE IN THE VILLAGE CLERK’S OFFICE

Administrator McNamara reminded everyone of the Plan Commission and Zoning Board of Appeals meetings on August 19, 2008. McNamara also stated that the State Committee hearing regarding the closure of the Pontiac Prison will be held Wednesday, August 20, 2008 at the Pontiac High School.

Attorney Masching informed the Board that he had contacted Patrick Rafferty regarding the demolition of the property at 218 W. Mazon Ave. The property will be transferred to a buyer in a couple weeks and torn down.

A Property Committee meeting was held at 5:00 p.m. before tonight’s Village Board meeting. Trustee Harris and Administrator McNamara reported on the meeting.

The Committee reviewed the 2008 MFT bids. H. J. Eppel & Co. submitted a bid in the amount of \$33,746.00 for street work on Morgan St. from Morris Rd. to Washington St. T & T Cartage submitted a bid for the same work in the amount of \$42,159.40.

H. J. Eppel & Co. also submitted a bid in the amount of \$62,835.00 for street work on Franklin St. from Waupansie St. to Mazon Ave. T & T Cartage’s bid for Franklin St. was \$71,097.40.

A motion was made by Harris and seconded by Nielsen to accept the H. J. Eppel & Co. bids totaling \$96,581.00. MFT funds in the amount of \$65,000.00 will be used for these projects. Upon roll call, all voted aye - motion carried.

Other business discussed at the Property Committee meeting: authorized Chief Henson to talk to Tyler’s car dealership about moving a flashing sign at their used car lot; pool and summer recreation update – trips are finished, last day pool is open will be Monday, Sept. 1, 2008.

The Village Board discussed the placement of a bench/sculpture that Darrel Wilkinson would like to donate to the Village in memory of his father, Warren Wilkinson. Darrel requested the sculpture be placed in the downtown park. Trustee Nielsen felt that putting it under one of the canopies at the train depot would be appropriate. The issue of proper lighting in that area was discussed. Administrator McNamara was asked to discuss this with Mr. Wilkinson.

Another Property Committee meeting was set for Thursday, August 21, 2008, 5:00 p.m.

Jim Dinelli, 205 Julie Dr., was in attendance to request that something be done about putting in the street stub on Marie Pl. President Mixen reminded the Board that the Village accepted the final plat of this subdivision without having the developer finish the stubs. The Village also allowed Mr. Dinelli to build his house there without having a stub street.

The Village of Dwight and current developer, Dennis Tjelle, agreed to share the cost of putting in this street stub, but Dennis will not be able to do the work until next year. McNamara was instructed to get information from Tjelle on the design and cost of the project. In the meantime, Mixen requested that H. J. Eppel be contacted about putting in a path to Dinelli's driveway while they're in Dwight doing the other road projects.

President Mixen presented a solicitor's permit from Vernon Kirby III of Bloomington, Illinois requesting permission to sell ice cream products around town once a week.

After some discussion, a motion was made by Nielsen and seconded by Curtis to approve the Solicitor's Permit for Vernon Kirby III. Upon roll call, all voted no – motion did not carry.

Mixen read a request from Harvest Days President Jerry Beier for street closures during Harvest Days weekend. These street closures are to accommodate the carnival, and the many vendors that will be in the downtown area.

A motion was made by Harris and seconded by Nielsen to approve the street closures as requested by the Harvest Days Committee. Upon roll call, all voted aye - motion carried.

President Mixen presented a liquor license request from the Pamida store on Waupansie St. The license would be Class B, for the sale of package goods only.

A motion was made by Curtis and seconded by Nielsen to approve the Class B liquor license for Pamida #672. Upon roll call, all voted aye - motion carried.

At the last Village Board meeting, John Moyemont, owner of J. T.'s Saloon, 118 E. Main St., was in attendance to request permission for a beer garden in the back of his building, and also one in the front of his building. Mr. Moyemont was not in attendance at this evening's meeting.

The President and Trustees discussed several items: the need for an open fire lane behind Moyemont's business; the need for parking for residents who live in the downtown area; the close proximity to the carnival; the issue of low lighting in the back; the requirement that smokers be fifteen feet (15') from the door of the business.

A motion was made by Nielsen and seconded by Airgood to allow an enclosed beer garden out in the street behind J. T.'s Saloon at 118 E. Main St. Roll call was as follows: Airgood-aye; Curtis-no; Harris-no; Nielsen-no; Skinner-no. Motion did not carry.

A motion was made by Curtis and seconded by Harris to allow an enclosed beer garden in the front of J. T.'s Saloon at 118 E. Main St. Upon roll call, all voted no – motion did not carry.

A motion was made by Nielsen and seconded by Harris to go into Executive Session under 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1), 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(5), and 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(6). Upon roll call, all voted aye - motion carried.

The Village Board entered into Executive Session at 6:39 p.m.

The Village Board came back into open session at 8:22 p.m.

There being no further business, a motion was made by Airgood, seconded by Curtis to adjourn. All voted aye. The meeting adjourned at 8:24 p.m.

APPROVED:

James L. Mixen, Village President

ATTEST:

Patricia E. Drechsel, Village Clerk