

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
Gibs Nielsen	Trustee
Ron Skinner	"
Jerry Curtis	"

Absent:

Jerry Harris	"
Angie Airgood	"
Mike Woods	"

Other Village officials in attendance were Village Administrator Kevin McNamara, EMS Director Al Metzke, 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 Curtis to approve the minutes of the September 8, 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 \$51,692.31. A motion was made by Skinner and seconded by Nielsen to pay the bills as submitted and approved by the various committees. Upon roll call, all voted aye - motion carried.

A motion was made by Nielsen and seconded by Curtis to approve the August 2008 Treasurer’s Report as submitted by Village Treasurer Diane Jensen. Upon roll call, all voted aye - motion carried.

President Mixen presented an ordinance declaring the 1997 ambulance as surplus Municipal property.

A motion was made by Curtis and seconded by Nielsen to pass Ordinance #1245 declaring the 1997 Wheeled Coach Type III Ambulance with a 1997 Ford E350 Chassis and 136,880 miles, to be surplus property. The sale of this surplus property will be by sealed bid. Upon roll call, all voted aye - motion carried.

ORDINANCE #1245 IS ON FILE IN THE VILLAGE CLERK’S OFFICE

Mixen then presented an ordinance amending the compensation of the members of the Village Board of Trustees whose terms will commence after the April 2009 Consolidated Election. This ordinance basically changes how the Trustees will be compensated for attendance at Committee meetings. They will now be compensated for every Committee meeting they attend, even if they are not an assigned member of that Committee.

A motion was made by Nielsen and seconded by Skinner to pass Ordinance #1246 which amends Chapter 3, Section 3.102(a) of the Dwight Municipal Code. Compensation to be paid to Members of the Dwight Village Board of Trustees shall be forty-five dollars (\$45.00) per attendance for each Regular or properly called Special meeting of the Village Board of Trustees, and the sum of thirty dollars (\$30.00) for each Committee meeting so attended. This compensation will be for Trustees whose terms will commence after the April 2009 Consolidated Election. Upon roll call, all voted aye - motion carried.

ORDINANCE #1246 IS ON FILE IN THE VILLAGE CLERK’S OFFICE

September 22, 2008

Village Clerk Drechsel announced that the last day to register to vote in the upcoming November 4th General Election will be Tuesday, October 7, 2008. She also informed everyone that nominating petitions for the April 7, 2009 Consolidated Election can be picked up at the Village Hall beginning October 28, 2008. Filing dates for those petitions will be from January 19, 2009 to January 26, 2009.

President Mixen read the minutes of the September 16, 2008 Finance Committee meeting. Village auditor, Rick Phillips, was in attendance at that meeting to present and discuss the

findings from the Fiscal Year 2008 audit. Phillips indicated that overall the Village finances look good.

A motion was made by Curtis and seconded by Skinner to approve the Fiscal Year 2008 audit as presented by Phillips and Associates, CPAs, P.C. Upon roll call, all voted aye - motion carried.

Other items discussed at the Finance meeting included: refinancing the water bond and other alternative revenue bonds at a lower interest rate; Trick or Treat hours; changing compensation of Village Officials; property tax abatements for Pamida and Heritage Woods of Dwight; Ambler/Becker station update; and the Illinois Rt. 66 Interpretive Master Plan.

A motion was made by Nielsen and seconded by Curtis to set Trick or Treat hours for Friday, October 31, 2008 from 4:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. Upon roll call, all voted aye - motion carried.

A motion was made by Curtis and seconded by Skinner to enter into an agreement between Pamida and the Village of Dwight, Dwight Township High School District #230, Dwight Common School District #232, Dwight Township, Dwight Township Road and Bridge District, and Prairie Creek Public Library District in regards to abatement of real estate taxes. Pamida plans to build and operate a pharmacy and retail facility specializing in the sale of wellness, electronic and seasonal items. Per the agreement, seventy-five percent (75%) of the real estate taxes for the tax year 2010 (payable in 2011) shall be abated; fifty percent (50%) of the real estate taxes for the tax year 2011 (payable in 2012) shall be abated; twenty-five (25%) of the real estate taxes for the tax year 2012 (payable in 2013) shall be abated. Other rules and restrictions are stated in the agreement. Upon roll call, all voted aye - motion carried.

A motion was made by Nielsen and seconded by Curtis to enter into an agreement between Heritage Woods of Dwight, LLC and the Village of Dwight, Dwight Township High School District #230, Dwight Common School District #232, Dwight Township, Dwight Township Road and Bridge District, and Prairie Creek Public Library District in regards to abatement of real estate taxes. Heritage Woods of Dwight, LLC plans to build and operate a Supportive Living facility. Per the agreement, seventy-five percent (75%) of the real estate taxes for the tax year 2010 (payable in 2011) shall be abated; fifty percent (50%) of the real estate taxes for the tax year 2011 (payable in 2012) shall be abated; twenty-five (25%) of the real estate taxes for the tax year 2012 (payable in 2013) shall be abated. Other rules and restrictions are stated in the agreement. Upon roll call, all voted aye - motion carried.

Trustee Skinner read the minutes of the September 17, 2008 Services Committee meeting. Items discussed included: purchase of a squad car; resignation of Officer Heath; obtaining a police dog; years of service for part-time and full-time officers; collection of unpaid Village ordinance violations; inspecting newly purchased ambulance.

A motion was made by Curtis and seconded by Nielsen to accept a bid for a 2009 Ford Crown Victoria from Landmark Ford in the amount of \$24,356. The budgeted amount for this item was \$27,000. Upon roll call, all voted aye - motion carried.

A motion was made by Curtis and seconded by Nielsen to accept the resignation of Officer Brian Heath from the Dwight Police Department and to place an ad in the newspaper to advertise for his replacement. Upon roll call, all voted aye - motion carried.

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Mike Vigna, 207 Scott Dr, Dwight, was in attendance to request that Impact Fees be waived at Tjelle's Subdivision for at least a year to see what happens and to reimburse any Impact Fees that have been paid out by the Tjelle brothers and others who have paid the fees in that subdivision. Trustee Curtis said the Economic Development Committee had also discussed this issue. After some discussion, it was decided that this issue would be further discussed at a future Finance Committee meeting.

The Dwight High School Student Council sent a letter of request to hold the annual Homecoming Parade on October 10, 2008.

A motion was made by Nielsen and seconded by Skinner to approve the DTHS Student Council request to hold the annual Homecoming Parade on October 10, 2008. Upon roll call, all voted aye - motion carried.

The Dwight Baptist Academy sent a letter of request to conduct a fund raising candy sale in Dwight.

A motion was made by Curtis and seconded by Nielsen to approve the request from Dwight Baptist Academy to conduct a candy sale from September 26, 2008 through November 1, 2008. Upon roll call, all voted aye - motion carried.

Dave Kinkade, 313 E. South St., Dwight was in attendance to inquire about an ongoing issue with barking dogs in the neighborhood near his shop at 212½ E. Delaware St., and how that is going to be resolved. Chief Henson indicated that six (6) citations had been issued to the offending dog owners, but they had not paid their fines. Attorney Masching stated they would have to be taken to court and go to trial to resolve it.

Trustee Curtis said the Village needs to start enforcing the ordinances that are on the books.

The Board authorized Attorney Masching to proceed with court proceedings.

Chief Henson indicated that this past Harvest Days Festival was the quietest ever in terms of complaints and arrests made.

Trustee Curtis offered kudos to the Harvest Days Committee for all the work that went into the past weekend.

There being no further business, a motion to adjourn was made by Nielsen, and seconded by Skinner. All voted aye. The meeting adjourned at 6:41 p.m.

APPROVED:

James L. Mixen, Village President

ATTEST:

Patricia E. Drechsel, Village Clerk