

The Dwight Village Board of Trustees met in regular session at 7:04 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	"
Angie Airgood	"
Mike Woods	"
Jerry Curtis	"
Jerry Harris	"

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

President Mixen led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

A motion was made by Nielsen and seconded by Skinner to approve the minutes of the January 26, 2009 regular Village Board meeting as submitted. Roll call was as follows: Nielsen-aye; Skinner-aye; Airgood-aye; Woods-aye; Curtis-aye; Harris-aye. Motion carried 6-0.

The bills were presented for payment from the various funds in the amount of \$120,094.29. A motion was made by Harris and seconded by Nielsen to pay the bills as submitted and approved by the various committees. Roll call was as follows: Nielsen-aye; Skinner-aye; Airgood-aye; Woods-aye; Curtis-aye; Harris-aye. Motion carried 6-0.

Village Clerk Drechsel reported that at the January 26, 2009 Village Board meeting, there was a concern expressed about the September 22, 2008 Village Board meeting in regards to an ordinance being voted upon by only three people. Drechsel said that in fact there were four members of the Corporate Authorities in attendance at the September 22nd meeting, as shown in the roll call. Having the appropriate and legal number of votes to conduct business, the meeting proceeded. There were two ordinances passed that evening, with the roll call showing all voting aye for both ordinances. These ordinances are on file at the Village Hall and show the 4-0 vote recorded.

Administrator McNamara reminded the Board of two committee meetings coming up on February 10th. The Services Committee will meet at 6:00 p.m. and the Property Committee will follow at approximately 6:30 p.m.

McNamara reported that no decisions can be made on the formation of a TIF District until after fourteen (14) days have passed from the time of the Public Hearing, which was conducted prior to tonight's Village Board meeting. A Finance & Administration Committee meeting will be set up at a future date to discuss the input from tonight's Public Hearing.

Administrator McNamara also reported that around 1400 visitors were in town on Saturday, Feb. 7th to attend the 7th grade boys basketball tournament, which was held at the High School gymnasium.

President Mixen commended the Public Works employees for a job well done this past winter.

Police Chief Tim Henson reported on a methamphetamine lab that was busted by the Livingston County Pro-Active Unit and the Haz Mat Team on Friday, February 6, 2009 at a residence on the corner of So. Franklin and E. South St. in Dwight. The couple residing there was arrested and taken into custody.

President Mixen read a letter from the Show Bus Director requesting a donation in support of this mode of transportation in Livingston County.

A motion was made by Harris and seconded by Nielsen to donate \$500 to Show Bus. Roll call was as follows: Nielsen-aye; Skinner-aye; Airgood-aye; Woods-aye; Curtis-aye; Harris-aye. Motion carried 6-0.

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Janice Lauritsen, representing Dwight Main Street Program, said downtown cleanup days will begin at the end of April. Also, a grant has been submitted to help with the costs of the Farmers' Markets.

Dan Duffy, Grundy County Administrator, was in attendance and encouraged Dwight residents and the Village Board to take a look at other communities with successful TIF Districts to see how they were negotiated and how the money was allocated.

A motion was made by Nielsen and seconded by Curtis to enter into Executive Session at 7:25 p.m. under 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1), the appointment employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body or legal counsel for the public body, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee of the public body or against legal counsel for the public body to determine its validity. Roll call was as follows: Nielsen-aye; Skinner-aye; Airgood-aye; Woods-aye; Curtis-aye; Harris-aye. Motion carried 6-0.

The Village Board came back into open session at 7:41 p.m.

Administrator McNamara discussed the proposal from Lee Farms Excavating that the Village Board agreed upon at the last meeting in regards to the demolition of the old water tower at Chippewa St. and Franklin St. Since at least two-thirds of the Village Board authorized the proposal (5-0, with one absentee), it was understood that the Village did not have to go out for bid on this project.

So as not to have any controversy on the matter, the Board will put the demolition out for bid, with specifications and a time frame for completion.

There being no further business, a motion was made by Nielsen, seconded by Airgood to adjourn. All voted aye. The meeting adjourned at 7:48 p.m.

APPROVED:

James L. Mixen, Village President

ATTEST:

Patricia E. Drechsel, Village Clerk