

VILLAGE OF DAWSON

MARCH 1, 2021 MINUTES

The Dawson Village Board meeting was called to order by Mayor Dee Smith at 7:00 p.m. and followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Trustees present were: Terri Anderson, Robin Ashton-Hale, Nancy Prytherch, Jeremy Bounds, Josh Nibbe and Jake Byerline. Also present were Mayor Dee Smith, Attorney Steve Scott, Treasurer Jo D. Prytherch and Clerk Lynda Files. Also attending were Tyler Abbott and Engineer Kevin Kuhn.

MINUTES: Jake made a motion to approve the February minutes and Jeremy seconded the motion. Motion carried.

BILLS: Terri made a motion to approve the bills for February and Nancy seconded motion. Josh Nibbe abstained since his company did some work for the Village in February. Motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Treasurer Jody Prytherch went over each account individually with the board for the February treasurer's report. Jody also passed out rough drafts of the notice that will be put on the Village website regarding the new water plant for the Board to read and make any suggestions.

PUBLIC FORUM: No public was present. Nancy Prytherch had a major water leak which has been repaired and requested an adjustment to her water bill. Robin made a motion to approve adjustment and Josh seconded the motion. Motion passed with Nancy abstaining from voting.

NEW BUSINESS: NONE

ENGINEER'S REPORT: Engineer Kevin Kunz appeared and went over where the Village is at this time with the procedure of procuring funding and getting started building the new water plant. He also said there are numerous permits we will need to obtain. Once this is complete, the bids for the work can be obtained. The target date for groundbreaking is October 30, 2021. He was also just notified we would be required to have a chloride cleansing unit at the new plant per EPA rules. A Cost Estimate Summary list for the new plant was passed out to everyone.

OLD BUSINESS: NONE

TRUSTEE'S REPORTS: NONE

ATTORNEY'S REPORT: Attorney Scott said he had three ordinances for the Board to go over and approve at the meeting. The first one is Ordinance No. 2021-VOD-003 which pertains to the construction of a new water plant, well site improvements, supporting waterwork systems and authorizing the Village to borrow funds from the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency. After his going over the ordinance the mayor called for a motion to approve. Jake made a motion to approve the ordinance and Robin seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The second ordinance is No. 2021-VOD-004 which covers amending the Village of Dawson Utilities Ordinances providing for revisions to water rates for the use and service supplied by the Dawson Water System. The ordinance provides for increases in water rates as follows: Inside Corporate Limits, first 1,000 gallons per month at the rate of \$30.00 per month; outside corporate limits, first 1,000 gallons per month at \$32.50 per month. For excess usage over 1,000 gallons the cost would reflect \$8.50 per additional 1,000 gallons for inside corporate

limits; for outside corporate limits the cost would be also be \$8.50 per additional 1,000 gallons . Jake made the motion to approve and Josh seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Attorney Scott also gave the clerk and mayor copies of four pages that go into the Dawson Village Code book. They were ordinances that were previously approved regarding water charges, installing water taps and charges if any boring under roads needed to be done, debt service charges, water connections, etc. Also a page to be added which pertains to salaries of officials.

MAYOR'S REPORT: Mayor Smith discussed with the Board when the water rate increase will take place. After discussion, it was determined May, 2021 it would be added to the customer's water bills starting May, 2021. Robin made the motion to approve this and Nancy seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The Mayor brought up the insurance coverage for the Village's newly purchased maintenance building on Route 36. The insurance company, thru the Illinois Municipal League, needed to know if the Village wanted replacement insurance or just regular coverage on the building. The Board chose the replacement insurance. Jeremy made the motion to accept and Nancy seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The Mayor discussed the newly laid floor in the Village Complex. It looks very nice and the board members were all pleased with it. Mayor noted it was paid in two billings since installer first gave estimate on bathroom floors then added estimate for the remainder of the kitchen floor when requested. Also noted the Village saved some money off of the estimate by the Village workmen doing some of the work.

ADJOURNMENT: With no further issues, the Mayor asked for a motion to adjourn. Nancy made the motion to adjourn and Robin seconded. Motion carried and the Mayor adjourned meeting at 7:50 p.m.

DATE: _____

Lynda Files, Clerk