

## **April 5, 2017**

Mayor Jeremy Nunes convened the regularly scheduled meeting of the Dawson Village Board with the Pledge of Allegiance, at 7:00 p.m.

**Roll Call:** Trustees present were Joan Davis, Jake Byerline. Josh Blakeman, Nancy Prytherch, John Reilly and Robin Ashton-Hale. Also present were Mayor Jeremy Nunes, Clerk Pat Curry, and Treasurer Shelly Farley, Attorney Steve Scott, Engineer Kevin Kuhn and Water Plant Superintendant Jordan Lyons.

**Minutes:** Jake Byerline made a motion to approve the minutes, with a second by Joan Davis MC

**Bills:** Nancy Prytherch made a motion to pay the bills, with a second by John Reilly. MC

### **Treasurer's report:**

Monthly Report: Treasurer Shelly Farley presented copies of the monthly financial reports to the finance commissioners and Attorney Scott. She asked if there were any questions or comments.

### **Engineer's Report:**

Electronic Water Map: Engineer Kevin Kuhn said they are just waiting for them to be completed, as this is not a priority project.

### **Old Business:**

Tri City Score Board Donation: Kathy Sagle appeared before the board to request a donation. She said she wanted to present the request in a different way than the first time she came to the board. It is important to explain that Mechanicsburg has offered to fully fund the purchase of the board. Do they want to share, or be the only sponsor? It would be good if it would also say sponsored by Buffalo and Dawson. Any overage could be applied to the gym floor. We reached out to all three villages because we didn't expect to have one village to entirely fund it. She then showed the board photos of score boards. The big board will have Mechanicsburg's name on it. There will be room on a smaller board for the other two villages. We have to know what to put on the boards when we order them. It would make a nice presentation for all three villages to be represented. Mayor Nunes asked if they had reached out to Pepsi. Kathy said the school still has a one year contract with Pepsi, but we won't know until the school board decides whether they will renew the contract with Pepsi. Attorney Steve Scott asked if sponsors will be listed in order to the amount donated? Kathy said we would like to see just the three villages listed. This is a perfect opportunity to be a part of it. Jake Byerline asked what is the deadline? Kathy said April 20th is when the order must be in to maybe have them for the fall games. Mayor Nunes said that since the board seems quiet, I will share my thoughts on what I think the board is thinking, although I cannot cast a vote. Tri City is a government entity, just like we are. Mechanicsburg took hundreds of thousands of dollars from them with their all town TIF district, so it makes sense that they offer to purchase the board. I also understand community unity side of things. Jake Byerline asked what the village feels comfortable donating. Dee Smith said he would like to suggest talking to the Buffalo mayor to see what they are going to do. Mayor Nunes said we can't do that because the decision is needed tonight. Kathy said if Dawson does \$200.00 and Buffalo does \$200.00 or \$400.00, Mechanicsburg is different. Families can say "yeah we helped to do that". John Reilly said \$200.00? Robin Ashton-Hale made a motion to donate \$200.00 to Tri City to help pay for new scoreboards, with a second by John Reilly. Joan: Yes; Jake: Yes; Josh: No; Nancy: Yes; John: Yes; Robin: Yes. MC

**Trustee's Reports:** Nancy Prytherch: Nothing. John Reilly said he had given Mayor Nunes the thumb drives with the electronic ordinances on them. Robin Ashton-Hale: Nothing. Joan Davis: Nothing. Jake

Byerline: I am glad to see the railroad crossings are going to be repaired. Mayor Nunes noted the repairs had been delayed due to the rain.

**Attorney's Report:** Attorney Scott said the tentative budget and appropriation will be done at the May meeting.

**Mayor's Report:** Mayor Nunes offered his congratulations to the newly elected officials. Current officials will open the meeting on May 1, 2017, approve the minutes and bills, and then swear the new officials in.

1. Energy Efficiency Grant: We have been awarded this grant as you know, all the lighting work has been done and we should get the reimbursement funds soon.
2. Corridor Improvement Grant: We have been officially awarded this grant also. The first meeting is tomorrow night. This grant is by Springfield/Sangamon County Regional Planning Commission to improve the corridor into town. Engineer Kevin Kuhn said an architect will help improve the area around Route 36. Mayor Nunes noted this is 100% funded.
3. Curbside Clean-up day: Saturday April 22, 2017. There will be containers for electronics located at the corner of Main and Locust Streets. Waste Management confirmed everything will be gone by noon.
4. Railroad Crossing Repair: The repairs were supposed to start today at Walnut St, but it rained again. The railroad said that the estimated dates for Constant Street are April 19th-26th.
5. Flood Wall: I learned that we can receive grant money for that through Hazard Mitigation. I completed that paperwork with the County a few months ago.
6. Easter Egg Hunt: The Easter Egg Hunt has been set for Saturday April 15, 2017 from 11:00 am until Noon. Helpers are asked to be at the park by 9:30 am.
7. Comprehensive Plan: I would like to remind those who will be leaving to bring back your copies of the Comprehensive Plan for the new officials. This must be up to date to keep us grant eligible; its best to review the plan very 9 months or so. Since the new administration may have different views, I suggest that we do not undertake any new projects this final month and allow the new administration to continue the plan. No concerns or objections were voiced by the board.
8. Neighborhood Watch: This needs to be re-evaluated now that we're 9 months in. The new administration may have a different view of the program, so I suggest allowing them to review it. No objections or concerns were voiced by the board.
9. DCEO Water Grant: Dee had previously asked where we stood with that as Charlie took care of it. I spoke with DCEO and they have no record of us applying for a grant since 2014, which we were not awarded.
10. Water System Improvements: Jordan, do you have anything to discuss? Water Superintendent Jordan Lyons said he is still waiting on Pedrotti. The generator hook-up has been ordered. The softener valves have been ordered. Mayor Nunes said you previously told me that you believe we are caught up on all the major purposes, is that still accurate? Jordan said he hoped so.
11. Mayor Nunes presented his annual 'Year in Review'. Mayor Nunes also thanked the Trustees for the extra duties they took on during his term of office.
12. Mayor Nunes asked for a motion to go into executive session. Robin Ashton-Hale made the motion to go into executive session, with a second by Nancy Prytherch. MC

After returning to the regular scheduled meeting, Jake Byerline made a motion to accept, as discussed in executive session, the recommended salary and title of Maintenance Supervisor for Jack Prytherch, with a second by John Reilly. Joan Davis: Yes; Jake Byerline: Yes; Josh Blakeman: Yes; Nancy Prytherch: Abstain; John Reilly: Yes; Robin Ashton-Hale: No. MC

John Reilly made a motion to accept Scott Hale's salary as recommended in executive session, with a