# VILLAGE OF ST. JACOB 213 N DOUGLAS

# PRESIDENT & BOARD OF TRUSTEES THURSDAY, OCTOBER 21, 2010 REGULAR MEETING #10-19

I. The Regular meeting of the Board was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Mayor Raymond Muniz.

ROLL CALL: Present: Mayor Ray Muniz

Trustee Jared Reilson Trustee Ken Miller Trustee Laura Meyer Trustee Tim Thompson Trustee Hank Robards Clerk Dawn Miller Donnie Cuff

Absent: Trustee Ryan Junker

Tim Biggins

#### II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

1. Trustee Miller moved to accept the agenda. Trustee Robards second the motion. Voice vote, 4 ayes, motion carried.

2. Trustee Reilson moved to accept minutes. Trustee Robards second the motion. Voice vote, 4 ayes, motion carried.

## III. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES:

# A. MAYOR'S REPORT

- 1. Douglas Street Antique donated a gazebo to the Mill Pond. There are several residents working on the gazebo to get it ready for installation.
- 2. The electric is being installed at the Mill Pond today and tomorrow. Ameren will still need to run a line.

#### B. COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT: MEYER

- 1. Movie in the Park was a success. Trustee Meyer asked if she could do thank you posters like last year.
- 2. Mayor Muniz reported that Abbey will be at the Village Hall passing out juice boxes on Halloween. Trustee Meyer asked if there was water left from the movies in the park. Clerk Miller stated that water was being donated to the boy scouts.
- 3. There will be a haunted house across the street from the Village Hall. The road will be closed for safety purposes.
- 4. Christmas Kickoff will be December 3, 2010. Mayor Muniz stated that he won't be in town for the kickoff. Clerk Miller will take care of it.

## C. WATER & SEWER COMMITTEE – REILSON:

1. The water tower inspection report is complete. Mayor Muniz asked if the board wanted then to report at committee level or at the board meeting. The board stated they can just report at a board meeting.

## D. POLICE COMMITTEE - ROBARDS:

1. Trustee Robards reported that he and Mayor Muniz interviewed Jared Missey. He is highly recommended. He works at the Maryville Police Department with Steve Howe. Trustee Robards made a motion to hire Jared Missey as a part time officer. Trustee Miller second. Roll call vote, all in favor, motion carried.

- 2. Mayor Muniz reported that there was an incident last Tuesday. He stated that we are treating as a serious incident. Mayor Muniz stated that the incident is being considered an attempted abduction. Mayor Muniz went on to explain the situation. Mayor Muniz also stated that response time wasn't as good as it should have been. We are going to make some changes. Mayor Muniz also stated that he had held a public meeting regarding the situation and there was several really good ideas but we need the community to help. There is one resident who is going to try to implement a neighborhood watch program. Mayor Muniz also stated that we are going to have an officer on call so response times could be better. Mayor Muniz stated that he has also been working with the school to determine all bus stop locations so we can try and have volunteers monitor those stops.
- 3. Mayor Muniz stated that there is another resident in addition to Jim Zahn that would like to be an officer. He was a full time officer in Granite City. Mayor Muniz also stated that we are looking into a new radio system for the police department. The new system would allow us to communicate with other departments. It would also increase safety for our officers. He also stated that we are looking into a system that would call every resident and send out messages. We really need to think this option thru. We don't want to cause hysteria for anyone. Mayor Muniz stated that he intends to have another meeting with the public within 60 days to discuss the changes.

#### E. ORDINANCE & FINANCE - MILLER:

- 1. Trustee Miller reported that we are trying to catch up on the treasurer's report. We should have April thru September at the next meeting. There were some changes that needed to be made.
- 2. Trustee Miller made a motion to approve ordinance 10-520 to borrow money to pay off the Activity Center. Trustee Meyer second the motion. Roll call vote, all in favor, motion carried. Mayor Muniz stated that we only need to approve borrowing money thru an ordinance for property.
- 3. Trustee Miller made a motion to approve ordinace 10-521 extending authorization to Ameren IP to construct, operate, and maintain a gas utility system. Trustee Meyer second the motion. Roll call vote, all in favor, motion carried.

## F. PUBLIC GROUNDS & BUILDINGS - THOMPSON

# G. STREET & ALLEY/MFT – JUNKER:

- 1. Mayor Muniz reported the dump truck should be coming shortly. We will then send it to have the decals added. Trustee Meyer asked if we need to keep the old truck. Once we take delivery of the new truck we can decide what to do with the old one.
- 2. Mayor Muniz stated that the street department is doing routine maintenance and the electric at the Mill pond.

# IV. PLANNING COMMISSION:

#### IV. ZONING BOARD:

# VI. OLD BUSINESS:

- 1. Trustee Meyer asked if we were going to do anything with the side walk across from the park. Mayor Muniz stated that he has to call IDOT.
- 2. Mayor Muniz stated that at the last meeting he was questioned about letting the public speak at meetings. He said that a statue was read and he wanted to clarify that we have spoke to three attorneys and that statue doesn't go into effect till January 2011.

## VIII. NEW BUSINESS:

#### VIII.CLAIMS:

Trustee Thompson moved to read the claims by total. Trustee Meyer seconded the motion. Voice Vote 5 ayes, motion carried

Water \$4895.62

Sewer	\$31.00	
Trash	\$7699.50	
Water/Sewer/Trash Total		\$12626.12
General Funds	\$388.65	
Ordinance & Finance	\$60.85	
Ordinance & Finance Total		\$449.50
Police	\$1117.59	
Street & Alley	\$44.30	
Public Grounds	\$37.74	
Community Development	\$487.61	
MFT	\$58385.33	
Grand Total		\$73148.19

## V. OPEN TO PUBLIC:

- 1. Matt Muzzey stated that the serious incident happened to his wife. She literally brushed against the man. Matt stated that he got a copy of the budget and he thinks that there is a lot of money floating around the budget. He would really like to see if we can get a replacement for Larry's full time position. He stated that it is really important and it would be a great asset to have a full time officer. Mayor Muniz stated that he would gladly meet with Matt to go over the budget.
- 2. Rich Schiefer would like to address the board. He wanted to know about the financial reports but Trustee Miller already answered that. He then asked about an ordinance that was passed for stimulus money. He wanted to know if we had received any money and how much we spent for the engineer for the projects that were slated. Mayor Muniz stated that the projects were 6<sup>th</sup> and Napoleon, a building at the sewer plant and for Douglas St. Mayor Muniz stated that no money was spent. Rich then asked about severance packages for terminated employees. Mayor Muniz stated that we have never terminated an employee.
- 3. Joe Beil stated that we have money to buy a new truck. We are borrowing money to pay off the Activity Center at a higher rate than the current loan. We have a piece of property that is used for nothing that is charged to water and a \$30,000 copier. It is also his understanding that Mike Muniz received a severance package when he left. With all of that we have sidewalks that need to be done and streets that need to be done and we could hire a full time officer. We have 9 full time officers why couldn't we have less officers and a full time officer. Mayor Muniz stated that we have 50 hours a week to fill and if it takes 9 or more officers he doesn't care as long as the hours are covered.
- 4. Joe beil asked why there weren't any board members at the meeting on Tuesday night regarding the incident. They are a part of this community it just shows that they don't have any concern for what happened to the lady or their community. He wants to know why when it is a concern of the community and you are part of it, you were elected, why you weren't at the meeting. Trustee Reilson stated that he can't make every meeting. Joe then asked Tim Thompson and Jared about the zoning hearing, why they didn't let anyone know what was going on. Mayor Muniz stated that we have addressed that issue. It is now a dead issue. We followed all the rules.

#### VI. ADJOURNMENT:

- 1. Trustee Thompson moved to adjourn at 8:22. Trustee Robards seconded the motion. Voice vote, 5 ayes, motion carried.
- 2. The next meeting will be November 04, 2010 at 7:30 pm.

Dawn Miller, Village Clerk	Raymond Muniz, Mayor	