

**VILLAGE OF ST. JACOB**  
**213 N DOUGLAS**  
**PRESIDENT & BOARD OF TRUSTEES**  
**THURSDAY, MARCH 15, 2007**  
**REGULAR MEETING #07-06**

- I. The Regular meeting of the Board was called to order at 7:31 p.m. by Mayor Raymond Muniz.

ROLL CALL: Present: Mayor Ray Muniz  
Trustee Laura Meyer  
Trustee Ken Miller  
Trustee Henry Robards  
Trustee Tim Thompson  
Clerk Dawn Wildhaber  
Chief Larry Morietta  
Tim Biggins  
Absent: Trustee Ernie Cates  
Trustee Matt Muzzey  
Mike Muniz

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

- A. Trustee Meyer moved to suspend the reading of the minutes and approve the minutes from March 01, 2007. Trustee Robards second. Voice vote, 4 ayes, motion carried.  
B. Trustee Thompson moved to accept the agenda. Trustee Meyer second. Voice vote, 4 ayes, motion carried.

III. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES:

A. MAYOR'S REPORT:

1. Mayor Muniz reported that he is finalizing the budget. He is meeting with Trustee Thompson next week to go over the budget.

B. COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT: MEYER

1. Mayor Muniz spoke to Bo Buchan about the welcome sign. Mayor Muniz said that the guys will need to pour the concrete slab for the sign. The sign will be completed soon.  
2. Clerk Wildhaber informed the board that the Village was able to purchase one year of web hosting and the design of a new website for \$350.00 at the Troy Chamber of Commerce auction. We saved \$50 from the bid we received before the auction. Mayor Muniz and Clerk Wildhaber have a meeting next week with the designer regarding the webpage. The additional software has been delivered for the computers. The access channel will be running next week.  
3. Trustee Meyer made a motion to approve the sponsorship for \$150 for the St Jacob softball/baseball association. Trustee Thompson second, Thompson ayes. Miller ayes, Robards, ayes, Meyer present, motion approved. Trustee Meyer explained that the sponsorship money is to help with the insurance, uniforms, and to help those who can not afford to pay.  
4. The Easter egg hunt is April 1, 2007 at noon. The eggs will be stuffed by the St Jacob Red Hats. Mayor Muniz stated that we are always open to suggestions for the egg hunt and sponsors or donations.

C. WATER & SEWER COMMITTEE – MILLER:

1. The ad has been running for the new hire. Will know more about the position next meeting.

2. Tim Biggins asked about the grass cutter position which we usually hire for summers. Mayor Muniz said we will discuss that at a later time.

D. POLICE COMMITTEE – CATES:

1. Trustee Meyer wanted to know about the crossing guard equipment. Chief Morietta said he is planning on delivering the equipment next week.

E. ORDINANCE & FINANCE – THOMPSON:

1. The special census will do the testing on March 20, 2007 the training should be done the following week.
2. Clerk Wildhaber will develop a plan for the security of the Village computers.
3. All April meetings will be held at the Lions' Hall.
4. The Village has a CD at the State Bank. The CD is up for renewal. The CD is for 26000. The new rate will be 4.76 for 18 months. The current rate is 2.72.
5. Trustee Thompson made a motion to renew the CD at the State Bank of St Jacob at the interest rate of 4.76. Trustee Meyer second, 4 ayes, motion carried.
6. Mayor Muniz stated that we are working on new building codes; it will be a while before we present it to the board.

F. PUBLIC GROUNDS & BUILDINGS – MUZZEY

G. STREET & ALLEY/MFT - ROBARDS:

1. Trustee Robards reported that the street department has been hanging some of the banners. They have also been cleaning out gutters and fixing pot holes.

H. PLANNING COMMISSION:

1. March 29, 2007 at 7:30 at the Lion's Hall is the Planning Commission's regularly scheduled meeting. Mayor Muniz reported that he has received 2 letters of comments since the last hearing. He also reported that there has been some discussion of sending the plan to SWIMPAC. After everything has been reconsidered there will be another hearing. The board will not vote until the committee is ok with the plan.

IV. OLD BUSINESS:

V. NEW BUSINESS:

1. Trustee Meyer would like to know if the Village should have a defibrillator at the public works building. Mayor Muniz said that it's not a bad idea but we should see how much they cost. He also thinks it might be better to have it at the Village Hall.
2. Trustee Robards said that the American Legion would like to help the elderly do work around their homes if they need some done. Trustee Robards stated that it is only for the elderly and the handicapped. Only St Jacob and St Jacob township residents are eligible for this assistance.

VI. CLAIMS:

1. Trustee Thompson moved to read all claims by total. Trustee Meyer second. Roll call, all in favor, motion carried.

Water/Sewer	\$8862.80	
Trash	\$	
<b>Water/Sewer/Trash Total</b>		<b>\$8862.80</b>
General Funds	\$280.04	
Ordinance & Finance	\$225.98	
<b>Ordinance &amp; Finance Total</b>		<b>\$506.02</b>
Police	\$1916.53	
Street & Alley	\$3606.34	

Public Grounds	\$199.94	
Community Development		
MFT	\$419.80	
<b>Grand Total</b>		<b>\$15508.43</b>

2. All Claims were accepted as presented. Voice vote, 4 ayes, motion carried.

VII. OPEN TO PUBLIC:

1. Maloney would like to thank everyone for the entire storm clean up. She said that progression is great, but the old town needs to be taken care of as well. She talked to Mike Muniz last year and asked about the side walks and the drainage. Mayor Muniz stated that the street crew started on Mill St and, by the time they got to Napoleon and 6<sup>th</sup> St, Mike noticed there were some major problems. We are looking at trying to get it done this summer, but we need to fix 5<sup>th</sup> St as well. Mayor Muniz will have the street department look at it to see if there is something they can do as a temporary fix.
2. Diana Gilomen stated that the State of Illinois told her that JD Beil used his police dog to sniff her parking lot for drugs. She would like to know if anyone in the police department or The Village Board asked JD to do this. Mayor Muniz stated that no one from these departments asked him to do this. Diana then stated it is illegal unless the local department asks for it. She then asked if there have been any complaints regarding the Dew Drop Inn, because the State of Illinois Liquor Commission has been called several times by an anonymous caller. Mayor Muniz stated that in the past JD Beil, Pat Beil and Joe Beil had made a few complaints, however there have not been any formal complaints. Mayor Muniz suggested that Diana fill out a Freedom of Information Act to request any complaints. As far as the Village is concerned the Dew Drop Inn is not in violation. Mayor Muniz also suggested contacting those that are complaining and see if they can work it out among themselves. Mayor Muniz said the Village appreciates their business.
3. Lou Berkley stated as far as anonymous complaints he wouldn't make much of it because if they don't have the guts to sign their name then it doesn't mean much.
4. Mayor Muniz stated that the Village will not follow up any complaints if they are anonymous.

VIII. CLOSED SESSION:

1. Trustee Thompson made a motion to go from open session to closed session for the hiring of a police officer at 8:20 p.m. Trustee Robards second, 4 ayes, motion carried.

IX. OPEN SESSION:

1. Trustee Robards made a motion to go from closed to open at 8:52 p.m. Trustee Thompson second, 4 ayes, motion carried.
2. Trustee Robards made a motion to hire Paul Cates as a part-time officer at \$13.00 an hour in addition to increase the pay for Officer Purtle to \$13.00 an hour. Trustee Thompson second, 4 ayes, motion carried.

X. ADJOURNMENT:

1. Trustee Meyer moved to adjourn at 8:55 pm. Trustee Thompson second the motion, 4 ayes motion carried.
2. Next meeting will be April 5, 2007 at 7:30 pm at the Lion's Hall