

VILLAGE OF ST. JACOB
213 N DOUGLAS
PRESIDENT & BOARD OF TRUSTEES
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 2009
REGULAR MEETING #09-03

- 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 Ryan Junker
Trustee Tim Thompson
Trustee Laura Meyer
Trustee Jared Reilson
Trustee Ken Miller
Mike Muniz
Tim Biggins
Absent: Trustee Henry Robards
Chief Larry Morietta
Clerk Dawn Miller

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

- A. Trustee Thompson moved to suspend the reading of the minutes and approve the minutes from the meeting of February 5, 2009 with the correction to add last months claims totals to the minutes. Trustee Junker seconded the motion. Voice vote, 5 ayes, motion carried.
- B. Trustee Meyer moved to accept the agenda with the deletion of the claims. Trustee Junker seconded the motion. Voice vote, 5 ayes, motion carried.

III. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES:

A. MAYOR'S REPORT:

1. Mayor Muniz reported that Clerk Miller went into the hospital on Wednesday, February 18th. Hopefully she will be able to return to work soon.

B. COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT: MEYER

1. Trustee Meyer had nothing to report.

C. WATER & SEWER COMMITTEE – MILLER:

1. Trustee Miller and Mayor Muniz met with the Mayor of Marine and three of their Trustees last week to try to clear the air of some hard feelings concerning the FPA of both Villages. It was a pleasant and positive meeting. They may table their proposal of their FPA for the area south of I-70 and north of Hickory Flat Rd. for now.

D. POLICE COMMITTEE – ROBARDS :

1. Nothing to report.

E. ORDINANCE & FINANCE – THOMPSON:

1. Trustee Thompson set a budget meeting for March 17th at 7:30 pm at the Village Hall.

F. PUBLIC GROUNDS & BUILDINGS – REILSON

1. Nothing to report.

G. STREET & ALLEY/MFT – JUNKER:

1. The bid opening for the Keck Road project will be March 5, 2009 at 10:00 am at the Village Hall.
2. Mayor Muniz would like to hold a public hearing for the residence around Keck Rd. before the construction begins to give them an idea of what to expect.
3. Mayor Muniz reported a sink hole opened up at Jacob St. near Jacob Ct. during the last big rain. It was first feared that the sewer line might have collapsed. When a camera was sent down the sewer line it was discovered that a joint is separating at some point this may need to be dug up. A track hoe would need to be brought in because the line is 15 feet deep. Trustee Thompson suggested we look into lining this sewer line and doing several feet per year to help stop the infiltration of rain water in these old lines. Tim Biggins said there may be EPA grants available to do this kind of work.

IV. PLANNING COMMISSION:

1. Trustee Meyer presented the board with some brainstorming ideas for future businesses in the Village. She would like the Planning Commission to sit down with the board and residents and have a roundtable discussion on businesses we might like to have within the Village.

V. ZONING BOARD:

1. A Zoning Board hearing will be held March 3, 2008 to discuss a possible mobile home at 305 Napoleon and a small garage with a business at 117 S. Douglas.

VI. OLD BUSINESS:

VII. NEW BUSINESS:

1. Trustee Meyer brought up that she had talked with Trustee Thompson about giving Senior Citizens a discounted water rate and Trustee Thompson suggested maybe instead of discounted water rates we could give low income Seniors free trash pick up instead as this would be easier for billing purposes. This will be discussed at the budget meeting in March.
2. The Troy Chamber of Commerce Auction will be held April 17th. We usually purchase a table. Trustee Junker moved to purchase a table at the Troy Chamber Auction, Trustee Miller seconded the motion. Voice vote, 5 ayes, motion carried.

VIII. CLAIMS:

1. There were no claims presented.

IV. OPEN TO PUBLIC:

1. Mr. Joe Beil asked if the Village had checked with the bank about refinancing the loan for the lot by the Village Hall. Trustee Thompson said that it had not been done yet. Mr. Beil also asked how many properties the Village still owes on. Mayor Muniz stated that we owe for the lot by the Village Hall and also for the Lion's Club Building. Mr. Beil asked why these properties were purchased in the first place. Mayor Muniz said the properties were purchased for future development. Then Mr. Beil said the Lion's Hall was in disrepair, the gutters falling off and the siding looked bad. The sign out front also looked bad and this is driving down property values. Mayor Muniz stated that the sign does not belong to the Village; it belongs to the Lion's Club. Mr. Beil also asked if the meeting with Marine concerning the FPA was open to the public. Mayor Muniz said the meeting was open to the public.

2. Tim Biggins thanked the board for sending him to the Water & Sewer Conference in Effingham.

V. ADJOURNMENT:

1. Trustee Junker moved to adjourn at 8:07 pm. Trustee Meyer seconded the motion. Voice vote, 5 ayes, motion carried.
2. The next meeting will be March 5, 2009 at 7:30 pm.

Dawn Miller, Village Clerk

Raymond Muniz, Mayor