

VILLAGE OF ST. JACOB
213 N DOUGLAS
PRESIDENT & BOARD OF TRUSTEES
THURSDAY, MAY 17, 2007
REGULAR MEETING #07-10

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

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

- A. Trustee Miller moved to suspend the reading of the minutes and approve the minutes from May 3, 2007. Trustee Thompson second. Voice vote, 4 ayes, motion carried.
- B. Trustee Robards moved to accept the agenda. Trustee Miller second. There was some discussion on if the hiring of a summer helper could be added to the agenda. This will be added to the agenda of the next meeting. Voice vote, 4 ayes, motion carried.

III. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES:

A. MAYOR'S REPORT:

1. Mayor Muniz reported that the tornado warning system is not working and he and Chief Morietta have been looking into getting it fixed. Some parts have been ordered to allow a phone number to be called then a code entered to set off the alarm. The cost of this is around \$1500.00.

B. COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT: MEYER

1. The Mayor has not been able to meet with IDOT yet concerning the crosswalk at Highway 40 & Douglas.
2. Mayor Muniz and Clerk Wildhaber have worked on the web page a little. Dawn had surgery yesterday and is doing well.

C. WATER & SEWER COMMITTEE – MILLER:

1. Tim Biggins reported that they have begun flushing sewers today and they will finish in about 2 weeks.
2. The water department has filled 2 swimming pools.

D. POLICE COMMITTEE – :

1. Chief Morietta and Mayor Muniz delivered the crossing guard equipment to the St. Jacob Grade School on May 7th.
2. The Police Department was awarded a grant of \$5600 for a computer for police unit #2. Michelle Schneider was instrumental in obtaining this grant. It will take a couple of months to get the computer installed.

E. ORDINANCE & FINANCE – THOMPSON:

1. The stop sign ordinance is on hold until the other roads are finished in the Meadows of St. Jacob subdivision.

F. PUBLIC GROUNDS & BUILDINGS – JUNKER

1. Trustee Junker reported that a committee meeting was held May 15th to discuss the capital improvement plan. The committee would like to move forward on constructing a new public works shed but wants to hold off on any plans to build a new Village Hall. The Public Grounds Committee along with the Mayor and Public Works Employees will work to get some specifications together for the new building in order to get bids.

G. STREET & ALLEY/MFT - ROBARDS:

1. Trustee Robards gave an update on what the street crew has been doing. The ditch south of Douglas near the railroad has been fixed and a new guard rail was installed. Several loads of dirt were hauled to the lot next to the Village Hall and it was leveled off and grass was seeded.

2. Trustee Robards reported that he had checked into the cost of renting the hydraulic attachments for the backhoe verses just renting an additional piece of equipment to do certain jobs like, compacting or jack hammering, and the cost of renting the attachment for the backhoe would be about half of renting the additional piece of equipment. Trustee Robards moved to add the hydraulic attachment to the lease of the backhoe for \$850.00 per year. Trustee Thompson seconded the motion. Voice vote, 4 ayes, motion carried.

H. PLANNING COMMISSION:

1. The Planning Commission will meet May 24th. They will be making revisions to the Master Growth Plan. There will be another public hearing before the Village Board takes any action.

IV. OLD BUSINESS:

V. NEW BUSINESS:

1. There will be a benefit for Nathan Schmitt, June 10th at the Dew Drop Inn.

2. Mayor Muniz is looking to hire Jeff Kelly to mow grass this summer 20 – 30 hours per week at minimum wage.

VI. OPEN TO PUBLIC:

1. Merik Davis from the Times Tribune wanted to know when impact fees will be discussed. We will have to see when someone from the School Board can come in again and speak on the subject.

VII. ADJOURNMENT:

1. Trustee Robards moved to adjourn at 8:03 pm. Trustee Junker seconded the motion. Voice vote, 4 ayes, motion carried.

2. The next meeting will be June 7, 2007 at 7:30 pm.

Dawn Wildhaber, Village Clerk

Raymond Muniz, Mayor

Tim Thompson wrote the minutes.