

STATE OF ILLINOIS }
COUNTY OF CHRISTIAN } SS. REGULAR MEETING
VILLAGE OF STONINGTON }

November 6, 2017

The Board of Trustees met in Regular Session Monday, November 6, 2017, at 7:00 p.m. in the Village Hall.

The Meeting was called to order by President Ryan Marucco with the following Members present:

- President: Ryan Marucco
- Trustees: David Blakeman, Bruce Dowdy, Ray Likes, Todd Thomason (Absent), Andrew Callan, and Jordan Adams (Absent)
- Clerk: Jill Gilpin
- Treasurer: Kevin LeVault (Absent)
- Superintendent: Jeff Tumiat
- Village Engineer: Steve Bainbridge (Absent)
- Village Attorney: Scott Garwood (Absent)
- Chief of Police: Travis Peden
- Zoning Officer: Doug Hoy

Others in attendance: Debbie Niles, Village Office Manager, Jason, Da-Niel, Braxton, and Brogan Anderson, residents outside of Stonington

Minutes of the Regular Meeting October 2, 2017 were presented to the Board for their approval. **Motion** made by Blakeman, seconded by Likes, that the Minutes be approved and filed as presented. Motion passed by all "Yea" votes.

The Treasurer's Report for the month of October was presented to the Board for their approval. **Motion** made by Dowdy, seconded by Callan, that the Treasurer's Report be approved and filed as presented. Motion passed by all "Yea" votes.

The Gas Report for the month of October was presented to the Board for their approval. **Motion** made by Blakeman, seconded by Dowdy, that the Gas Report be approved and filed as presented. Motion passed by all "Yea" votes.

The Water Report for the month of October was presented to the Board for their approval. **Motion** made by Blakeman, seconded by Dowdy, that the Water Report be approved and filed as presented. Motion passed by all "Yea" votes.

The Sewer Report for the month of October was presented to the Board for their approval. **Motion** made by Likes, seconded by Dowdy, that the Sewer Report be approved and filed as presented. Motion passed by all "Yea" votes.

The Police Report for the month of October was presented to the Board for their approval. **Motion** made by Callan, seconded by Dowdy, that the Police Report be approved and filed as presented. Motion passed by all “Yea” votes.

Bills against the Village were presented for the approval of the Board. **Motion** made by Dowdy, seconded by Callan, to approve and issue warrants for all bills. Motion passed by all “Yea” votes.

Zoning Officer’s Report: Zoning Officer Doug Hoy issued one zoning permit in the month of October.

Permit #739-17 was issued to Gary Powell, located at 210 S. Main Street for a 28 x 40 garage.

President’s Report: President Marucco updated the Board on the relocation of the Post Office. He spoke with Vee Spikes of the United States Postal Office and hope to have a lease within the next two weeks.

President Marucco signed the paperwork to finish the closing on the Pine Street property.

President Marucco suggested to the Board the alley behind Gary Powell’s will need to be eventually repaired so it will be more drivable.

President Marucco discussed the current policy on NSF checks from residents for utility bills. The policy needs to be changed. There was much discussion regarding the current policy. President Marucco and the Board asked Debbie Niles to write up some suggestions for changing the policy. The Board is to discuss further at the next meeting.

President Marucco discussed the current policy regarding the deposit when utilities are first turned on. Currently, the deposit is given back to a renter when they move out of Stonington. However a homeowner does not receive the deposit back until they move, which could be several years. There was much discussion on the current policy and possible changes. The Board is to discuss further at the next meeting.

President Marucco welcomed Brogan Anderson to the table. Brogan and her family live outside of Stonington. She is a gymnast with Sky High Trampoline, Tumbling, Cheer Gym and recently competed with the AAU organization. She won the AAU Junior Olympic Gold Medalist Sub-Novice Tumbling. Her parents have had custom road signs made reflecting her accomplishment and she asked the Board if they could be hung up outside of town.

President Marucco asked for a motion to approve the hanging of the custom road signs reflecting Brogan Anderson’s accomplishment. A **motion** was made by Blakeman, seconded by Dowdy, to approve the hanging of the custom road signs, pending

approval from the State. If the State does not approve the hanging of the sign it will be hung at Ponting Field. **Motion** passed with a 4-0 vote.

Village Attorney Report: Nothing to report.

Engineer's Report: Nothing to report.

Superintendent's Report: Superintendent Tumiaty reported to the Board the following:

Water department: They are beta testers for Waterly software. They are able to check all the levels on an iPad for free. If they want to continue and are approved by the EPA, it will cost \$50/month for testers (reduced rate) as opposed to \$300/month for non-testers.

Sewer department: the control panel is in.

Gas department: the annual gas surveys will be November 20-21, 2017.

Superintendent Tumiaty advised the Board the 15-year old John Deere tractor that they use every day had to have two new front tires put on.

Superintendent Tumiaty discussed the shop and sewer gate hours. There was much discussion regarding possible hours for both and penalties for illegal dumping. This will be discussed at the next meeting.

WATER – The Water Report for August 29, 2017 – September 26, 2017 billing period was presented.

GAS – The Gas Report for August 29, 2017 – September 26, 2017 billing period was presented.

SEWER – The Sewer Report for August 29, 2017 – September 26, 2017 billing period was presented.

Committee Reports: STREETS & ALLEYS: Nothing to report.

HEALTH & SAFETY – Nothing to report.

FINANCE – Nothing to report.

WATER – Nothing to report.

SEWER – Nothing to report.

GAS – Nothing to report.

President Marucco set the date and time for the December Regular Meeting as Monday, December 4, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. in the Village Hall.

With no further business coming before the Board, a **motion** was made by Blakeman, seconded by Callan, to adjourn the Meeting at 7:55 p.m. Motion passed by all "Yea" votes.

APPROVED:

Ryan Marucco, Village President

ATTEST:

Jill Gilpin, Village Clerk