

VILLAGE OF ROCKTON
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
NOVEMBER 1, 2010

Mayor Adams called the regular meeting of the Rockton Village Board of Trustees to order at 7:00 P.M. Present were: Mayor Adams, Ms. Davey, Mr. Winters, Mr. Fridly, and Mr. Peterson. Also present: Atty. Galluzzo. Absent: Mr. Brown and Mrs. Bloodworth.

Motion by Winters, second by Peterson to waive the reading of the October 19, 2010, Village Board Minutes. All ayes. Motion carried 4-0.

Motion by Winters, second by Peterson to approve the Village Board minutes of October 19, 2010, as presented. All ayes. Motion carried 4-0.

AMENDMENTS

Winters – Remove A1 and B2

Fridly – Add consensus to bid Blackhawk Water Extension

Mayor – Remove #3

Motion by Winters, second by Peterson to approve the amendments to the agenda. All ayes. Motion carried 4-0.

PUBLIC COMMENT

1. Jay Westra – TrueTech WindPower, Inc. Mr. Westra sells small wind energy systems and has been in this business for 10 years. Mr. Westra explained that there are many kinds of wind energy systems not just the large ones that everyone is familiar with. A small-wind is currently designated as any Wind Turbine that generates 100 kw or less of electrical power. The average prevailing winds in the majority of Illinois are between 12 and 15 mph. If you double the wind speed, you get 8 times the power output. It is mandatory to correctly size the wind turbine power production speed range to match the prevailing winds in your area. Average household in US consumes 11040 Kwh annually which is 940 Kwh each month. Illinois is slightly below this average with 709 Kwh each month and we pay about 11 cents per Kwh averaging \$84 per month for the average residence. Turbines make power when wind moves across the air foils to produce rotation of the rotor. Rotation drives the generator. Direct current from the generator is sent to an inverter which synchronizes itself with the grid and back-feeds electricity. Net metering is when the

power company gives you a credit for energy you send to the grid at the same price that you pay for the energy. It “nets out” at the end of the year. These are critical items when considering a wind turbine:

1. Site Survey.
2. Annual Power Production Figures.
3. Some way of monitoring your energy production so that it can be written off on your Federal taxes.
4. Personal Safety
5. Self preservation-over speed control.
6. Talk to people who own turbines.

Mr. Westra also advised checking into zoning requirements, Federal Tax credits and State Tax credits. Discussion that followed touched on flickering, noise, installation, building mounting, and grounding for lightning.

MAYOR ADAMS

1. T-6 Contract. Atty. Galluzzo stated that the lease had been provided to T-6 and there was only one change in the one you received today. This will be held over to the next board meeting.

2. SLATS Resolution. Motion by Winters, second by Peterson to approve Resolution 2010-114 to ask the federal government and census bureau to not combine the two local MPO’s, SLATS and RMAP, so that we would not lose funding for operating the local mass transit district and capital expenditures. When the MPO’s are combined, funds can only be used for capital expenditures not for operating mass transit systems. Roll Call: All ayes. Motion carried 4-0.

3. Keep Northern Il. Beautiful. Mayor Adams read a thank you from Keep Northern Illinois Beautiful for the \$500 donation for tree recycling in Rockton.

PUBLIC SAFETY & LEGAL – MR. WINTERS

1. Social Hosting Ordinance. Motion by Winters, second by Peterson to approve the final reading of Ordinance #2010-20, the Social Hosting Ordinance. Roll Call: All ayes. Motion carried 4-0.

BUILDINGS & PARKS/WATER, SEWER, GARBAGE – MR. FRIDL

1. Virginia Baker. Motion by Fridly, second by Peterson to authorizing hiring Burbach Aquatics, who specialize in Swimming Pools, to handle certification for the Virginia Baker Act at our pool for a cost not to exceed \$3,500. Roll Call: All ayes. Motion carried 4-0.

2. Liner for Ice Rink. Motion by Fridly, second by Peterson to authorize the expenditure of \$1,165.50 plus shipping for the purchase of a liner for the ice rink at Settlers Park from Nice Rink. Roll Call: All ayes. Motion carried 4-0.

3. Direct Debit Module. Motion by Fridly, second by Peterson to authorize purchase of the Direct Debit Module from Locis at a cost of \$1,000 plus \$15 per month. Roll Call: All ayes. Motion carried 4-0.

4. Direct Deposit 1st National. Motion by Fridly, second by Peterson to enter into an agreement with 1st National Bank to authorize direct deposit for water bills and also employee checks at a cost of \$20 per month. This is required for the Direct Debit Module. Roll Call: All ayes. Motion carried 4-0.

STREETS & WALKS – MR. PETERSON

1. Lights on Buildings. Motion by Peterson, second by Fridly to authorize Professional Electric to repair the lights on the buildings for Christmas Walk at a cost not to exceed \$2,500. Roll Call: All ayes. Motion carried 4-0.

Mr. Fridly asked for and received a consensus from the board to bid the Blackhawk Water Extension for a property owner whose well has gone bad. The owner will pay \$6,000 and sign a pre-annexation agreement.

Motion by Winters, second by Peterson to pay bills in the amount of \$146,767.87. Roll Call: All ayes. Motion carried 4-0.

Motion by Winters, second by Peterson to adjourn at 8:01 P.M. All ayes. Motion carried 4-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Judy Rossi
Village Clerk