

VILLAGE OF ROCKTON

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

February 8, 2011

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

Motion by Winters, second by Peterson to waive the reading of the Village Board minutes of January 18, 2011. All ayes. Motion carried 6-0. Motion by Winters, second by Peterson to approve the minutes of January 18, 2011, as presented. All ayes. Motion carried 6-0.

AMENDMENTS

- Mr. Brown-Add a consensus for contingent approval of the new health insurance quote
- Mr. Peterson-Remove Item 2 under Streets & Walks
- Mr. Fridly-Removal all three items under Sewer, Water & Garbage

Motion by Peterson, second by Winters to approve the amendments to the agenda. All ayes. Motion carried 6-0.

MAYOR ADAMS

1. Ordinance #2011-3 Amending Section 152.256. Motion by Fridly, second by Winters to approve Ordinance 2011-3. Mayor Adams noted that we needed to waive the first reading thus Mr. Fridly and Mr. Winters removed their motion and second. Motion by Fridly, second by Winters to waive the first reading of Ordinance #2011-3. All ayes. Motion carried 6-0. Motion by Fridly,

second by Winters to approve Ordinance #2011-3 amending Section 152.256 of the Rockton Code of Ordinances-Security for Public Property. Roll Call: All ayes. Motion carried 6-0.

2. Ordinance #2011-4 – Sewer Rate Increase. Motion by Fridly, second by Bloodworth to waive the first reading of Ordinance #2011-4, Sewer Rate Increase. All ayes. Motion carried 6-0. Motion by Fridly, second by Peterson to approve Ordinance #2011-4 dealing with the Sewer Rate Increase. Mayor Adams stated that this had been a long

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process culminating with a public hearing and these are the final results. Mr. Fridly deserves the credit for pulling it all together. Roll Call: All ayes. Motion carried 6-0.

3. Ordinance #2011-5 Zoning Map Amendment. Motion by Fridly, second by Peterson to waive the first reading of Ordinance #2011-5, Zoning Map Amendment for Lot 322 of the Woodlands. All ayes. Motion carried 6-0. Motion by Winters, second by Brown to approve a Zoning Map Amendment for Lot 322 in the Woodlands of Rockton to change the zoning from Commercial Highway to Parks and Cemeteries. This is being done to update the Zoning Map. Roll Call: All ayes. Motion carries 6-0.

4. Ordinance #2011-6 - Annexation of Part of the Rt. 251 ROW. Motion by Winters, second by Fridly to waive the first reading of 2011-6 pertaining to the annexation of the Rt. 251 ROW. All ayes. Motion carried 6-0. Motion by Peterson, second by Winters to approve Ordinance #2011-5 authorizing the annexation of Part of the Rt. 251 Right of Way consisting of 17.82 acres. Roll Call: All ayes. Motion carried 6-0.

5. Resolution #2011-103 Declaring Surplus Funds Generated from Former Beloit Corporation TIF Redevelopment Project. Motion by Winters, second by Fridly to approve Resolution #2011-103 declaring surplus funds generated from the former Beloit Corporation Tax Increment Finance redevelopment project. Mr. Winters stated that about \$6,600 is going back to the taxing bodies. Roll Call: All ayes. Motion carried 6-0.

ADMINISTRATION – MR. BROWN

Mr. Brown asked for and received a consensus from all board members to accept the health insurance quote contingent on obtaining a quote from our current health insurance carrier.

PUBLIC SAFETY & LEGAL – MR. WINTERS

1. Lease Agreement – Tricia Davey. Motion by Winters, second by Peterston to accept a lease agreement with The Green Quarter for the

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property behind the Village Hall with the stipulation that Tricia Davey pay any legal expenses involved with the creation of the lease agreement.

Mr. Fridly stated that Ms. Davey needs to excuse herself as a trustee. Mr. Fridly commented that he found it hard to believe that this board or any other board would renew a lease agreement with an individual who did not live up to her past lease agreement, did not stay within the boundaries of that lease agreement, there is no record of twelve years of payment of the last agreement, there was no insurance, and the wall that was built was beyond the lease agreement. If this

was any other individual in the village, he did not feel any board would renew that lease agreement. Also you need to consider that Ms. Davey is a sitting Trustee and the perception of that is not good even if it is permitted. This lease agreement is for ten years and he did not feel we wanted to tie our hands for ten years. It has a 180 day termination written notice which he thinks is too long. If we choose to have the wall removed, she then has a year to do so which he feels is excessive. In her lease agreement, it acknowledges that she constructed this wall that was not contemplated in the original lease agreement and it also states that she was permitted by the lessor, the Village, to leave the stone wall as constructed. He did feel she had been permitted unless us not catching it is permission. Mr. Fridly stated that he did not agree with this lease, does not think the Village should enter into this lease, and he will vote against this lease. Mr. Brown stated that Ms. Davey has had this lease agreement for 15 years. This has become an issue since we have found out that the lease agreement had expired. None of us knew there was a lease agreement to begin with. Shame on past boards and shame on this board for not enforcing the lease. If she was in violation of the lease, she should have been notified at that time. Mr. Brown stated that the village has no plans to be using that land in the near future. It is legal for us to have a lease for with Ms. Davey for that land. Those are a few of the reasons why he stated he will vote yes. Mr. Winters stated that it is not this board's responsibility to rubber stamp something a previous board did wrong. We are basically giving someone a free pass because the previous board did not enforce it. Roll Call: Ayes: Brown, Bloodworth, Peterson. Nays: Fridly, Winters. Motion carries 3 ayes, 2 nays.

BUILDINGS & PARKS – MRS. BLOODWORTH

1. Art Fair-Hononegah Woman's Club. Motion by Bloodworth, second by Peterson to approve the use of Village Green Park for the Art Fair to be held August 21, 2011, by the Hononegah Woman's Club. Roll Call: All ayes. Motion carried 6-0.

STREETS & WALKS – MR. PETERSON

1. Resolution #2011-102 Snow and Ice Control. Motion by Peterson, second by Fridly to approve Resolution #2011-102 for the purchase of 1300 tons of rock salt in the amount of \$90,285.00 for snow removal purposes. Roll Call: All ayes. Motion carried 6-0.

Mr. Winters commented that the snow removal efforts with the recent snowfall were exemplary.

Mayor Adams stated that garbage pickup in Pinecroft was not finished today and Waste Management stated they will be back out to finish the pickup on Wednesday morning.

Motion by Winters, second by Peterson to approve bills in the amount of \$107,352.39. Roll Call: All ayes. Motion carried 6-0.

Motion by Winters, second by Peterson to adjourn at 7:31 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

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Judy Rossi
Village Clerk