

**ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE MINUTES**  
**November 17, 2014**

Chairman Winters called the regular meeting of the Administration Committee to order at 5:30pm.  
Members present: Dale Adams, Steve Dickson, Pat Hoey, John Peterson, and Dave Winters  
Also present: Tricia Diduch and Scott Fridly

Motion by Mr. Peterson, second by Mr. Hoey, to waive the reading of and approve the minutes of November 3, 2014. All ayes. Motion carried 3-0.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Mr. Fridly suggested holding a public hearing in reference to the Historic Preservation Ordinance. He would like to give others a chance to speak about the ordinance. Mr. Fridly added that he is not comfortable with this ordinance and he doesn't want homeowners to be forced into this.

**THE MAYOR – DALE ADAMS**

Mayor Adams discussed possibly changing the meeting schedule for 2015. Meetings would be held on the first Monday and Tuesday of the month and the third Tuesday of the month. Committee members discussed pros/cons on this meeting schedule. Mayor Adams will discuss this in the other committee meetings to see if there is any support in changing the meeting dates.

Mayor Adams also spoke with Chief Dickson in reference to the public hearing on Blackhawk Boulevard. Mayor Adams asked the chief to look at whether some of the four-way stops could be eliminated on Union Street. There was a concern because there are so many four-way stops on Union Street that when drivers get to the two-way stop at Union and Blackhawk, they assume it's a four-way stop and proceed through the intersection. Chief Dickson seemed to think some of the four-way stops could be eliminated, but Deputy Chief Hollinger disagreed. It was discussed to possibly remove the four-way stop at Bridge Street, but leave the four-way stop at Salem and Union Street by Hononegah High School. No further action was taken.

**PUBLIC SAFETY & LEGAL – DAVE WINTERS, CHAIRMAN**

Mr. Winters met with Chief Dickson and Deputy Chief Hollinger and created a list of misdemeanor offenses that would disqualify an applicant when applying for a liquor license in reference to "good moral character". It was discussed to add a timeline to these offenses. Mr. Winters recommended not being convicted of any of the offenses within the last 5 years. Mr. Peterson inquired if delinquency of child support would be considered. Chief Dickson stated that the State would be able to determine if someone is delinquent and they would be denied. Mayor Adams added that any outstanding payments to the Village should be considered as well. Mr. Hoey recommended that the Village look at other municipalities to compare/contrast other guidelines. Mr. Winters will have Atty. Szeto review the list that was created. Mayor Adams also stated the Village has obtained an ORI number, but the police department will still give a recommendation.

**ADMINISTRATION & BUDGET – JOHN PETERSON**

Mr. Peterson discussed the progress of the Tax Levy Ordinance. Mayor Adams state that Ms. Quimby will provide the Village with three different numbers. Typically, the Village has gone with the same dollar amount. Ms. Quimby will have those numbers at the Budget & Finance Committee meeting on 11-18-14.

**COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT – PAT HOEY**

Mr. Hoey made a motion to have Mrs. Peterson purchase holiday decorations, not to exceed \$500, for the downtown planters. Second by Mr. Peterson. Roll call. All ayes. Motion approved 3-0.

Ms. Diduch discussed the changes to the Historic Preservation Ordinance. Mr. Peterson and Mr. Hoey stated that they agreed with Mr. Fridly in having a public hearing. Ms. Diduch stated that she would have it removed from the Village Board agenda on November 18, 2014. Mayor Adams added that when the public hearing is held that it's important to separate those who live in Rockton and those who do not live in Rockton. The Committee decided that the public hearing will take place at the next Village Board Meeting on December 2, 2014. Mr. Hoey will table this from the Village Board meeting on November 18, 2014.

Mr. Hoey discussed the resolution approving the expenditure of infrastructure funds from former Beloit Corp. TIF District to Lubrizol Holding, LLC. Ms. Diduch stated that there are plenty of funds available and that the amount is approximately \$8000. Chemtool will then be paying the Village for water usage after they hook up.

Mr. Hoey made a motion to approve the purchase of the Como Mobil App in the amount of \$396. Second by Mr. Peterson. Ms. Diduch stated that the Village would be the administrator of the app and that there would be unlimited access. This would be an additional tool for the Village to send out push notifications and advertise local events. The \$396 would be an annual fee. Mr. Winters suggested waiting to see if there are other options out there when he and Mayor Adams attend a conference in Austin, Texas this week. Mr. Hoey and Mr. Peterson withdrew the motion and second. Ms. Diduch stated that there is no rush to approve the purchase.

#### **THE CHIEF – STEVE DICKSON**

Chief Dickson stated that he had checked the minutes going back to June and the Rockton Chamber of Commerce has not had the Christmas Walk approved for December 6, 2014. He stated that they wanted to change the time of the lighted Christmas Parade from 6 to 7pm. Chief Dickson said that this would add an additional hour of overtime for 15 people. Mr. Winters said that the time of the lighted Christmas parade should remain at 6pm. Chief Dickson said that there is no chairman for the Christmas Walk and he is waiting for a phone call from Dennis McCorkle to confirm the events and extra help that is needed to staff it. Ms. Diduch stated the Village still has supplies for the ornament making activity and that Mr. Magnus would find someone to run the activity since Ms. Diduch has a conflict with the date.

Chief Dickson added that an officer has resigned from the police department so they have another opening.

#### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

None.

#### **ANY OTHER BUSINESS ALLOWED BY LAW**

Mr. Winters commented that he is very disappointed in the way certain members of the Village Board conducted themselves regarding the transaction of the three properties and how members of this public body bullied a citizen to get them to pull out of a business transaction. Mr. Winters feels this is inexcusable and if he could prove the involvement of those involved he would bring them up on charges for violating the business transaction.

#### **ADJOURN**

Motion by Mr. Peterson, second by Mr. Hoey, to adjourn at 6:07 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Christina Stewart  
Village Clerk