

**VILLAGE OF CHEBANSE
REGULAR MEETING, 7 PM
275 S. OAK ST.
APRIL 21, 2014**

President Dubuque called the meeting to order at 7 p.m. and announced the Village would be taping. Kathy Washington/Advocate was present and took notes.

Roll Call: **Present:** Trustees Beherns, Kuntz, LaReau, Mathy, and Snyder. President Dubuque and Clerk Imhauser
 Absent: Trustee Perzee
 Others: James Smith/Maintenance, Don Brave/Maintenance, Attorney Mike Donahue and Dean Nicols/Integrays

The pledge of allegiance was recited.

Regular Minutes: Motion by Trustee Beherns second by Trustee Kuntz to accept the regular meeting minutes for April 7, 2014. Vote: 5 yes, 1 absent

Executive Minutes: Motion by Trustee Mathy, second by Trustee Kuntz to accept the executive session meeting minutes for April 7, 2014. Vote: 5 yes, 1 absent

Police Committee Meeting: Motion by Trustee Snyder, second by Trustee LaReau to accept the Police Committee Meeting minutes for April 14, 2014. Vote: 3 yes

Treasurers Report: Motion by Trustee Beherns, second by Trustee Mathy to accept the Treasurers report for April 8 to April 21, 2014. Vote: 5 yes, 1 absent

Bill Statement: Motion by Trustee Mathy, second by Trustee Snyder to pay the bills dated April 21, 2014. Vote: 5 yes, 1 absent

Unfinished Business:

2014 Homecoming: No Update

Sidewalk Handrails: Trustee Mathy to contact Ben Cox regarding the rails

Police Protection Options: Trustee Mathy reported on the Police Committee Meeting held on the 14th. The Committee is recommending going through the summer, through the homecoming time to see how it goes and to wait until after summer to sell the squad car. Mathy reported he has received contacts interested in filling the police chief position. Discussion on selling the squad car and moving ahead with Kankakee County. Trustee Beherns/Finance Committee indicated they would like to sell the squad car. Trustee Mathy set another Police Committee meeting for Monday, May 5th at 6:30 pm to discuss further and asked for anyone interested to attend the meeting. Trustee LaReau indicated he is still hearing concerns with county sitting by the bars.

At this time, President Dubuque asked to move ahead on the agenda to allow Dean Nicols/Integrays to speak about aggregation. Nicols introduced himself and passed out information regarding rates with Ameren and explained where rates with Ameren are going. Currently Ameren will be updating their rates (expected to be on or around May 14th or 15th) to be effective June 1, 2014. The current aggregation rate of 4.186 will expire in June (based on the read date for the customer).

RJ III Corp./Retention Pond: Discussion on the timeline and enforcing the completion of the retention pond. Questions on the urgency, engineers opinion and IEPA deadline (2018) were discussed. Concern was expressed as to the lack of presence by the owners of R J III Corporation to a board meeting. A motion by Trustee Beherns to extend the deadline to 2018 was removed from the table. Suggestion to have present at the next meeting, the owners, the engineer and the owner of the field near this location to discuss. At this time if the owners still are not present, further discussion on the ramifications will continue. President Dubuque will contact those involved to attend the May 5th board meeting.

Committees:

Water: Trustee Kuntz advised he has been looking into the IEPA requirement for phosphate into the water system. The IEPA has required the village to start using a chemical to prevent the copper lines from being corroded.

Village Officers:

Clerk: None

Maintenance: James Smith/Maintenance advised they are working on roads. Trustee Kuntz asked Smith to look into the ditch area near Elliot Drive.

New Business

Employee Adjustments: Trustee Beherns advised that the Finance Committee is recommending a salary adjustment for the following employees:

Don Brave: A motion by Trustee Beherns, second by Trustee Kuntz to approve a salary adjustment of \$1,248.00 for the previous year to Don Brave. Vote: 5 yes, 1 absent

Trudie Imhauser: A motion by Trustee Beherns, second by Trustee Kuntz to pay Trudie Imhauser a 40 hour/week salary. Vote: 5 yes, 1 absent

James Smith: A motion by Trustee Beherns, second by Trustee Kuntz to approve a salary adjustment of \$2,080.00 for the previous year to James Smith. Vote: 5 yes, 1 absent

Trustee Beherns advised they plan to revisit each year for any adjustments to be made.

Tree Removal: Discussion on three trees around the Chebanse Avenue area to be removed because of splitting problems. A motion by Trustee Mathy, second by Trustee Snyder to approve the \$850.00 for the tree removed and a cap of \$1,200. Vote: 5 yes, 1 absent

Communications: President Dubuque advised:

- company that put in the meter pits called to advise they have five extra pits if the Village is in need of them. Board members did not feel there was a need
- Complaint of noise at the Crazy Beaver

A motion by Trustee Beherns, second by Trustee Kuntz to go into Executive Session to discuss personnel at 8:39 pm. Vote: 5 yes 1 absent

Upon returning from Executive Session at 8:49 pm

Public Comment: None

A motion by Trustee Beherns second by Trustee Kuntz to adjourn the Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees for the Village of Chebanse at 8:55 p.m.

Minutes of the April 21, 2014 Regular meeting of the Board of Trustees for the Village of Chebanse respectfully submitted by Clerk Trudie Imhauser.

_____ Signed

_____ Date