

**VILLAGE OF CHEBANSE
REGULAR MEETING, 7 PM
275 S. OAK ST.
NOVEMBER 2, 2015**

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

Roll Call: **Present:** Trustees Beherns, Kuntz, LaReau (arrived late), Mathy, and Snyder.
 President Dubuque and Clerk Imhauser
 Absent: Trustee Perzee
 Others: James Smith/Maintenance and Brian Hertz/MG2A

The pledge of allegiance was recited.

Regular Minutes: Motion by Trustee Beherns second by Trustee Snyder to accept the regular meeting minutes for October 19, 2015. Vote: 4 yes, 2 absent

Treasurers Report: Motion by Trustee Mathy, second by Trustee Kuntz to accept the Treasurers Report for October 20 to November 2, 2015. Vote: 4 yes, 2 absent

Trustee LaReau arrived.

Bill Statement: Motion by Trustee Beherns, second by Trustee Mathy to pay the bills dated November 2, 2015. Vote: 5 yes, 1 absent

Unfinished Business:

Water Storage Tank: James Smith/Maintenance had no updates. President Dubuque advised there was a discussion on a larger vent on top of the tank.

Spies Donation/Civic Center: James Smith/Maintenance provided Trustee Kuntz with pricing on the overhead for the west doors on the Civic Center. Cost is estimated at approximately \$2,000 for the west side and it would be 46' long and 12' out from the wall. Cost does not include the cost of concrete. This could also serve children waiting for the buses in the morning. Discussed using the Spies donation of \$2,500.00 for this work and send a thank you to the family.

A motion by Trustee Mathy, second by Trustee Snyder to use the Spies Donation with a cap of \$2,500.00 for the project discussed at the Civic Center. Vote: 5 yes, 1 absent

Playground Equipment: Discussed purchasing playground equipment, location (West Water Storage area and/or Civic Center), delivery or pick up, when to purchase, donations towards the project, and also putting in a skate park. Subject tabled to the next meeting on November 16th.

Civic Center/Open Gym: Trustee Kuntz advised that he talked to Trustee Perzee and Rick Weedon regarding having an open gym night. He would like to have it on the last two Tuesdays in November and first two Tuesdays in December with Grades 1st & 2nd from 5:30 to 6:30 and Grades 3rd & 4th from 6:30 to 7:30. Kuntz indicated we are in need of equipment and he will be heading it up. He would have the kids sign in and leave a contact phone #. Also requested was to waive any fees for the rental. A motion by Trustee Mathy, second by Trustee Beherns to waive the fee for the Civic Center open gym night and approve \$300.00 for the purchase of equipment. Vote: 5 yes, 1 absent
Discussed putting a flyer out to the schools. Clerk Imhauser advised if he makes up a flyer she will make copies to be given to the school.

Christmas Decorations: James Smith advised he will be putting the wreaths back up and will need supplies to replenish the bulbs/bows, and look to change for next year. A motion by Trustee Beherns, second by Trustee Mathy to approve \$300.00 for Christmas decorations to spruce up what we have. Vote: 5 yes, 1 absent

Village Signs: None – subject tabled till spring

Haunted House: Trustee Beherns advised that he spoke to Tom Cleary at Federated Bank and he thinks it will be doable to finance the haunted house and needs to meet with him again. Tabled till the next meeting.

Also Beherns met with a representative from the IMLRMA/insurance who did a walk through and he has no problems as long as we are working with our Building Inspector regarding the floors, emergency lighting and working with the fire chief. He did call back to advise there was a haunted house in Illinois that got shut down because of a sprinkler system. He indicated it was unique in the setup and doesn't think it will be a problem for us. Insurance has no problems and will be fine.

Dumpsters for Railroad: No information from the railroad yet.

Committees:

Streets/Alleys: A motion by Trustee Mathy, second by Trustee Snyder to go into executive session concerning property at 7:35 pm. Vote: 5 yes, 1 absent

Upon returning from Executive Session at 8:03 pm

A motion by Trustee Mathy, second by Trustee Snyder to have Attorney Donahue approach Iroquois County in an attempt to get a better definition of the corporate limits of Chebanse. Vote: 5 yes, 1 absent

Village Officers:

Clerk: None

Maintenance: James Smith reported that the trees have been planted. We purchased two and received 6 donated trees from Snider Nursery. Trustee LaReau will get the plaque for the Michael Dietchweiler tree. We will contact Anne Dietchweiler once the plaque is in place.

New Business:

Santa Visit: Discussion on the Santa visit, preparing a flyer to be disbursed at the school and amount to be spent on the Santa visit. A motion by Trustee Mathy, second by Trustee Kuntz to approve \$300.00 from the Civic Center fund for the Santa visit. Vote: 5 yes, 1 absent

Annual Insurance Payment: Clerk Imhauser advised the overall fee went up \$776. and asked board members to review the payment options. Discussion on the options and availability of funds. Recommendation to use Option #1 to pay the full amount with a 1% discount out of the General Fund. A motion by Trustee Mathy, second by Trustee Snyder to pay the insurance bill from Illinois Municipal League Risk Management Association with Option 1 with the discount \$19,589.13 out of the General fund.

Resolution: Trustee Beherns reported on a resolution supporting our police force as recently passed by Gibson City for their police department. If a police officer was attacked, shot at, that it's also considered a hate crime. President Dubuque suggested including police and firefighters and suggestion to read EMS in order to include all. Clerk Imhauser will get a copy of the resolution from Gibson City to review further.

Resolution: An email received from Brad Cole of the IML was read to board members regarding support of release of funds to municipalities. A copy of the resolution was provided to board members and also the suggested letter to be sent by the mayor. A motion by Trustee Mathy, second by Trustee Kuntz to approve the resolution urging Illinois State leaders to release non-general fund revenues payable to local governments. Vote: 4 yes, 1 no, 1 absent

Communications: President Dubuque reported on:

- Thank You letter from Clifton Food Pantry
- Kankakee County Historic Preservation for historic property
- Comcast Letter regarding a rate increase
- Breakfast with Kate Cloonen on November 24th to discuss state & local issues in Herscher, IL
- Tidbit from the Mayor – July 12,1965 the board discussed motor scooters, go carts and motorized bikes and the issues involved

Public Comment: None

A motion by Trustee Mathy, second by Trustee Beherns to adjourn the Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees for the Village of Chebanse at 8:26 p.m.

Minutes of the November 2, 2015 Regular meeting of the Board of Trustees for the Village of Chebanse respectfully submitted by Clerk Trudie Imhauser.

_____Trudie Imhauser_____ Signed ___11-16-15_____Date