

**VILLAGE OF CHEBANSE
REGULAR MEETING, 7 PM
275 S. OAK ST.
OCTOBER 19, 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, Mathy, and Snyder and President Dubuque
 Absent: Trustee Perzee and Clerk Imhauser
 Others: James Smith/Maintenance and Keith Foreman

The pledge of allegiance was recited.

Regular Minutes: Motion by Trustee Beherns second by Trustee Kuntz to accept the regular meeting minutes for October 5, 2015. Vote: 5 yes, 1 absent

Treasurers Report: Motion by Trustee Beherns, second by Trustee Snyder to accept the Treasurers Report for October 6 to October 19, 2015. Vote: 5 yes, 1 absent

Bill Statement: Motion by Trustee Snyder, second by Trustee Kuntz to pay the bills dated October 19, 2015. Vote: 5 yes, 1 absent

President Dubuque asked to move ahead on the new business to allow Keith Foreman to discuss his water service. Keith Foreman updated the board on a situation with renters at his rental property at 503 S. Walnut. He had requested the water to be turned off in June and they still did not pay. They have since moved out of the location, however, the water is still turned off. The balance is \$548. Foreman has made a payment tonight. Foreman requested the water to be turned back on so that he can get the location cleaned up and rented out again and to pay back the amount owed in two months or sooner. Question to Foreman about his own water bill and he advised that he is behind on that also. Question to Foreman if he has contacted anyone about going after the previous renters about back payment. Foreman advised no he has not and doesn't know where they went. Discussion on bringing the account current with a payment. Foreman provided a check for \$150.00 this evening. Foreman advised he would try to get it current by Wednesday or Thursday. A motion by Trustee Beherns, second by Trustee Mathy that if Keith Foreman pays \$225.00 towards the water bill that we turn the water back on with the understanding that he still has a balance after that. Vote: 5 yes, 1 absent

Unfinished Business:

Water Storage Tank: James Smith/Maintenance reported on the work progress.

Spies Donation/Civic Center: James Smith is working on pricing for roofs over west doors and is finishing work on the roof over the kitchen/pavilion.

Playground Equipment: Discussed purchasing, cost of picking up the equipment, what to purchase and when to purchase. Discussed purchasing one unit in the spring and one in late summer. Total bill was \$40,567 for both units. Subject is tabled to the next meeting. Trustee Beherns will prepare information on the budget and availability of funds to pay for the equipment.

Christmas Decorations: No Information

Light Projection Santa: A motion by Trustee Mathy, second by Trustee Beherns to purchase two Christmas light show projection air blown decorations with a cap of \$250.00 out of the Civic Center Fund. Vote: 5 yes, 1 absent

Village Signs: No information

Haunted House: President Dubuque asked – What if the civic center committee went to Tom Cleary at Federated Bank and discussed getting a loan that the Village would back and set up so that it could be paid back in 3 or 4 years and do one payment annually? Board members discussed. Beherns advised he is meeting on Thursday with the insurance person at the building to review the area. A motion by Trustee Kuntz, second by Trustee Mathy to have Trustee Adam Beherns speak with Tom Cleary at Federated Bank about getting a loan for \$35,000.00 for the Civic Center for the upkeep of the haunted house and maintenance with the backing of the Village as the Civic Center Committee members for \$35,000.00. Vote: 5 yes, 1 absent

Dumpsters for Railroad: Information received regarding pricing of getting dumpsters for removal of the blue building is \$450.00 to haul a 6-7 Ton limit or \$150.00 for the dumpster plus \$48.00 a ton for disposal. However, approval from the Railroad has not been received as of yet for the removal of the building. Subject is tabled till approval from the railroad is received.

Clothing Approval: A motion by Trustee Mathy, second by Trustee Snyder to approve 12 T shirts for \$144.00. Vote: 5 yes, 1 absent

Committees: None

Village Officers:

President: President Dubuque advised that Brian Hertz/MG2A called him prior to this meeting and asked to discuss some things with him further. He will discuss with Brian and then put the subject on the next agenda with an executive session. Information was provided to board members that was received from Hertz.

Maintenance: James Smith advised we are no longer pumping fluoride into the water as we meet State requirements naturally. Well #1 had to be replaced and it is now running smoothly. Smith advised that Lift Station #1 pump has to be replaced and cost is thought to be \$500.00. Also a letter has been sent to an individual that was found to be pumping water into the sewer system.

New Business:

Trees: Discussion to purchase more trees for the Village. Cost is thought to be approximately \$175.00 each. President Dubuque advised that we are losing trees to the ash borer. We have already designated a tree in memory of Attorney Michael Dietchweiler. Trustee LaReau is working on a plaque for it. Once we have the plaque we will contact Anne & Noah Dietchweiler to come up for a little service. Snider Nursery has been doing a good job of getting us good trees and also donating trees. James Smith is working on locations for new trees. A motion by Trustee Mathy, second by Trustee LaReau to purchase two trees with a cap of \$400.00. Vote: 5 yes, 1 absent

Hydro-Hitch Truck Diffuser: Discussed purchasing a diffuser. Subject is tabled.

Communications: None

Public Comment: Trustee Kuntz asked about having open gym during the winter months at the Civic Center, possibly asking for \$2.00 per child. Kuntz was willing to donate his time to be there a couple hours to watch the kids.

A motion by Trustee Snyder, second by Trustee Kuntz to adjourn the Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees for the Village of Chebanse at 8:17 p.m.

Minutes of the October 19, 2015 Regular meeting of the Board of Trustees for the Village of Chebanse respectfully submitted by Clerk Trudie Imhauser and recorded and taken by President Dubuque.

_____Trudie Imhauser_____ Signed____11-2-15_____Date