

**VILLAGE OF CHEBANSE
REGULAR MEETING, 7 PM
275 S. OAK ST.
JANUARY 6, 2014**

President Dubuque called the meeting to order at 7 p.m. and announced the Village would be taping. K

Roll Call: **Present:** Trustees Kuntz, LaReau, Mathy, Perzee and Snyder. President Dubuque, Clerk Imhauser and Attorney Donahue
 Absent: Trustee Beherns

The pledge of allegiance was recited.

Regular Minutes: Motion by Trustee Perzee second by Trustee Snyder to accept the regular meeting minutes for December 16, 2013. Vote: 5 yes, 1 absent

Executive Minutes: Motion by Trustee Mathy, second by Trustee Kuntz to accept the executive session minutes for December 16, 2013. Vote: 5 yes, 1 absent

Special Meeting: Motion by Trustee Perzee, second by Trustee Mathy to accept the special meeting minutes for December 23, 2013. Vote: 5 yes, 1 absent

Executive Minutes: Motion by Trustee Perzee, second by Trustee Snyder to accept the executive meeting minutes for December 23, 2013. Vote: 5 yes, 1 absent

Treasurers Report: Motion by Trustee Perzee, second by Trustee Mathy to accept the Treasurers Report for December 17 to January 6, 2014. Vote: 5 yes, 1 absent

Bill Statement: Motion by Trustee Snyder, second by Trustee Perzee to pay the bills dated January 6, 2014. Vote: 5 yes, 1 absent

Unfinished Business:

2014 Homecoming: Trustee Mathy asked about contacting the person to do magic. Cost is \$450 for 2-1/2 hours which includes a show for the kids and then 1-1/2 hours of covering the area doing magic.

Sidewalk Handrails: Trustee Mathy will get a cost of installing a horseshoe rail and discussion on whether it was something that the Village could do. Mathy will also discuss with James Smith/Maintenance.

Retention Pond: President Dubuque advised that he talked to John Caspary/RJ III Corporation who advised that they have someone hired and they have the parts. They are waiting for them to be able to get here to do the project. Caspary asked for more time to be able to get it completed. Trustee Kuntz asked if Caspary mentioned why they hadn't contacted us prior to this. President Dubuque advised no they didn't. Kuntz indicated that they have known for 365 days that it had to be done and were given another 90 days to complete, they didn't hire a contractor until December and it's still not completed. Kuntz indicated that he is upset because we gave them deadlines and they had met everything except this one item that is costing them \$44,000.00 and that's why they don't want to do it. They accepted over a year ago on what had to be done and it's still not done. Kuntz feels if we don't do anything they'll just keep doing things like this. They aren't a part of Chebanse and don't care what goes on. Trustee Perzee stated it's upsetting that it's not completed and feels that they met all the important

items. Trustee Kuntz expressed frustration that they have not attended any meetings to let board members know. Trustee Snyder indicated we didn't put any stipulations or fines in place. Discussion on how to handle the deadline issue:

- allowing giving them a spring deadline and reviewing the liquor license at that time

Attorney Donahue indicated he would have to look into tying in the two situations together. He suggested that we look at if there is a violation of village ordinances right now and put them on notice for it. Board members didn't feel there was any type of ordinance violation.

Trustee Kuntz indicated it was something that was based on the engineers that worked on the project that he suggested a retention pond. Attorney Donahue suggested looking into why the engineers wanted the retention pond. Kuntz once again expressed his frustration why they didn't come to the board or mayor to let know what was going on. President Dubuque asked what the board would like to do. Trustee Kuntz suggested letting it go until spring and advising this is what's going to happen if you do not have it completed. Discussion on a date to give them to have it completed. President Dubuque will call them and also send a letter giving them until March 31st to have the retention pond completed and to also request that they respond to the board long before that date as to the progress.

Trustee Kuntz asked about how long before the liquor license is changed name on the state website because it is under the Caspary name right now and they are not residents of the Village. Discussion and a review of the paperwork that was completed and provided to the State with the name changes and also including a village resident on the list by Attorney Donahue.

Police Protection Options: Board members reviewed the financial figures for the years of 2010 through 2013 for everything pertaining to police protection. President Dubuque advised that he received a call from Tim Kent asking what he should do as far as scheduling hours. Dubuque advised that he would call him to advise what the board decides after this meeting what direction they will be going.

Two options:

- 1) Utilizing Tim Kent and John Solomon to do part-time for three months until a decision is made on who to hire, or
- 2) contracting with the county for 2-3 months until a decision is made on whether to stay with county or to hire someone

Trustee Mathy advised that he has received calls from four contacts interested in the position.

President Dubuque suggested that we go with the county and try it for a couple months and see what kind of reaction we get from the residents. Discussion on the pros and cons, length of time if go with the county. Suggestion to:

- go with county for one month at 20 hours a week and then decide whether to start interviewing individuals or continue with the county
- keep track of the complaints and what type
- President Dubuque to meet with the county and set it up for one month at 20 hours per week, with weekends covered for the bar closings to assist with those that have to close up and then leave with money
- contact Tim Kent to return village property, vests, ammo, badges. Discussion – suggestion to ask him to return anything that identifies him as chief of police. President Dubuque will contact Tim Kent to advise that at this time we are not dissolving the police department and for him to return anything that identifies him as chief

A motion by Trustee Perzee second by Trustee Mathy to have the mayor contact Kankakee County tomorrow and set up 20 hour police protection for a one month trial basis. Vote: 4 yes, 1 No, 1 Absent Kankakee County will provide updates to the Village.

Clerk Imhauser is to provide an update to board members on when they will be starting. A review of the squad car will be made to make sure there is no gun or ammo in the car. President Dubuque asked

that if they have something they want him to say or to ask to be sure and let him know and he will address it at his meeting. Trustee Mathy asked to be informed as to when the meeting is held.

Committees: None

Village Officers:

Clerk: Kankakee Sanitary advised that garbage pickup will run a day behind because of weather.

Maintenance: None. Board members commended James Smith on the job done with snow plowing. James Smith did report to President Dubuque that the hydraulics on the big truck were not working well in the cold weather.

Police: None

New Business:

Ameren: President Dubuque reported that some village residents complained about the power outages. Dubuque contact Ameren and spoke to Kelly who indicated that they have had many things that contributed to the outages such as people running into the poles, wind and animals that have gotten into the substation.

Safe Routes to School: Discussion on utilizing the Safe Routes to School Program with an 80/20 program of federal funds for sidewalks up to \$200,000.00 within two miles of the school. The 20% could be used from the motor fuel funds. The paperwork needs to be in by January 31, 2014 and a public hearing would be needed prior to the application being submitted. Suggestion to hold off this year and hope that they do it again next year and then we could be better prepared.

Communications: Letter from Comcast

Public Comment: Todd Kuntz advised that his company sells salt in 2,000 lb. super sacks at a cost of \$170.00 which could be spread on some of the corners in the Village rather than the stone and wondered if the Village would be interested and felt he could do it for \$150.00. The Village would need to purchase a spreader for the back of the truck. He felt the 2,000 lbs would last the whole winter.

A motion by Trustee Kuntz second by Trustee Perzee to adjourn the Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees for the Village of Chebanse at 8:47 p.m.

Minutes of the January 6, 2014 Regular meeting of the Board of Trustees for the Village of Chebanse respectfully submitted by Clerk Trudie Imhauser.

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