

**APPROVED**

**VILLAGE OF MCLEAN  
REGULAR BOARD MEETING  
APRIL 6, 2015**

President West called the regular meeting of the board to order at 7:00pm. ROLL CALL-Hammel, Hodge, Krueger, Shifflet and Lane. Absent: Leach. Also present: Attorney Mark McGrath and Bryan Blair. Visitors present: Helen Doty, Don Doty, Jane Price, Robert McCallister, Irma Wesley and Steve Brooks(Road Ranger).

Motion by Hodge 2<sup>nd</sup> Krueger to approve the minutes of the March 2, 2015 board meeting as amended. All ayes, motion carried. Absent: Leach.

Motion by Hodge 2<sup>nd</sup> Shifflet to accept the resignation of David Leach with regrets. ROLL CALL-Hodge, Krueger, Shifflet, Lane and Hammel. All ayes, motion carried.

Motion by Hammel, 2<sup>nd</sup> Hodge to accept the bills as presented. ROLL CALL-Krueger, Shifflet, Lane, Hammel and Hodge. All ayes, motion carried.

PUBLIC INPUT: Jane Price asked the board about a bill in the General Fund and West stated they had just gotten the bill. McGrath stated that that person had helped with the Hotel/Motel tax.

Irma Wesley would like more of an explanation on the Home Rule Referendum that is on the ballot at tomorrows election. She feels that there should have been a public meeting to let the people know what the Home Rule is about. West stated most of the time there are not many people that attend a public meeting. Krueger stated that is was probably wrong not to have the C.O.R.E. name on the letter that went to the registered voters. Wesley stated she was afraid that future boards would impose more taxes. She asked if McLean and/or McLean County both could raise taxes. McGrath stated any government bodies can raise taxes but Home Rule will not affect real estate taxes because there is no tax cap in McLean County. Price feels it gives more power to the board. Krueger stated that it affects the board members too. If the Home rule passes it would possibly replace the \$11.76 added to the water bills. Krueger stated that if any resident wants to talk with a board member all they have to do is call them with their questions or concerns. Hodge stated that they had talked of having a public meeting but weather played a part in not having one.

Steve Brooks(General Counsel) from Road Ranger asked if the Home Rule passed would both gas and diesel have \$.02 added. West stated yes it would be both. He also asked if it would continue after water tower is re-cooped. West stated it is a 40 year loan. Mr. Brooks cautioned the board that this could be passed on to the consumer and this would be a ramification on this. Questioned how this would be reported. West stated this hasn't gotten to that point yet. Was recommended that the collection go through the state and not a direct collection as it can get way behind.

Mr. McCallister asked the board what other projects would this help. West stated that the

water treatment plant and sewer projects need to be addressed. Also, is the Village trying to get other businesses to come to town. West stated that with the new tower and its capacity this would help. West has spoken to some food chains but would like other businesses too. McCallister stated he also thought there should have been a public meeting. McCallister asked if the Village has cut other things to help with the construction of the water tower. West stated yes that there has been things taken out and redone. There would be a debt service fee of \$11.76 if the Village does not get state grant and there could be more added on. Possibly will get the \$250,000 grant in July. If we do nothing the old tower still would need around \$400,000 to upgrade it.

COMMITTEE REPORTS: Budget meeting on March 30, 2015 for General Fund and will have a budget meeting on Water & Sewer later this month.

Arsenic report was clear and next one will go in on the 1<sup>st</sup> of May.

HIGH SPEED RAIL ISSUES: Waiting for the permits for the sewer extensions along with the performance insurance. The railroad will provide flagging. Also, waiting to sign off on 8 crossings and to meet all their criteria.

TIF: Steve Brooks (General Counsel) with Road Ranger stated that Phase II (\$80,000) will be done this summer on the parking lot on the east side of Main St. Last year \$125,000 was spent on the parking lot. He is requesting assistance from the TIF Fund for this project. Hammel feels 35% would be good percent over 4 years but not to exceed \$70,000. Motion by Hammel 2<sup>nd</sup> Hodge to have the Attorney Mark McGrath prepare the TIF agreement with Road Ranger for parking lot reimbursements based on what has been done and work to be done and not to exceed \$70,000 and authorized West and Leipold to sign agreement. ROLL CALL-Shifflet, Lane, Hammel, Hodge and Krueger. All ayes, motion carried. Mr. Brooks also stated that he would be willing to come back to the board and discuss the Home Rule if it passes. McGrath stated that he has gotten more information on the TIF Agreement with IVC and has sent it back to them.

MSA Infiltration is in and waiting on word back

Motion by Hammel 2<sup>nd</sup> Krueger to adopt Resolution #15-04-06R "Resolution to General Assembly-LDGF Revenues. ROLL CALL-Lane, Hammel, Hodge, Krueger and Shifflet. All ayes, motion carried.

Discussion on repairs to the JCB tractor. The reverse is going out on it. Possible \$8000.00 to repair. Hammel asked what will they give us on a trade in. Motion by Krueger 2<sup>nd</sup> Shifflet to see what it would cost to have it repaired but not to exceed \$10,000 and authorize West to decide what to do. ROLL CALL-Hammel, Hodge, Krueger, Shifflet and Lane. All ayes, motion carried.

There will be a Budget meeting on April 20, 2015 at 6:00pm.

Motion by Krueger 2<sup>nd</sup> Lane to adjourn meeting. All ayes, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:00pm.

Respectfully submitted by,

  
Sharon C. Leipold  
Village Clerk