Village of Deer Creek

101 W. First Ave. PO Box 38 Deer Creek, IL 61733 **Tuesday August 17, 2021**

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF DEER CREEK HELD AT DEER CREEK VILLAGE HALL.

Village President Jim Hackney called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

I.) ROLL CALL

Present: Trustees Judy Cremeens, Mary Eschelbach, Grant Hackney, Ross Kraemer, Stefanie Lee

Berardi, Jake Smith

Absent: None

Also Present: Chief Potts, PWS Gordon Robertson, Jeff Rogers, Clerk Lori Lewis

II.) APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

Trustee Hackney moved, and Trustee Kraemer seconded the motion to approve the Consent Agenda as presented.

On roll call the vote was:

Ayes: 5 – Cremeens, Eschelbach, Hackney, Lee Berardi, Kraemer, Smith **Nays:** 0 – None. There being six affirmative votes...**Motion Carried**

III.) PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

IV.) REPORTS

- A. **Public Works Department** None.
- B. **Planning/Zoning Board of Appeals** None.
- C. **Police Chief** Monthly report was presented.
 - 1. No action was taken regarding the proposal to hire a second full time officer. The board will review the information provided and discuss further next month.
- D. **Engineer** None.
- E. **Attorney** None.

V.) OLD BUSINESS

- A. No update on the community solar project.
- B. No quotes were received for the cleaning of the water tower.
- C. Trustee Kraemer reported that he did a drive-about with PWS Robertson to inventory sidewalks and after running some numbers, determined that about 80 squares of sidewalk could be replaced for the allowed \$15,000 discussed by the committee. His recommendation is that this year, the most needed spots be marked and replaced rather than larger sections of sidewalk. He also recommends the sidewalk on Bradbury which goes nowhere, be removed entirely.

Trustee Smith moved, and Trustee Eschelbach seconded the motion, to sidewalk replacements not to exceed \$15,000 for this year.

On roll call the vote was:

Ayes: 5 - Cremeens, Eschelbach, Hackney, Lee Berardi, Kraemer, Smith

Nays: 0 – None. There being six affirmative votes...**Motion Carried**

VI.) NEW BUSINESS

Trustee Lee Berardi moved, and Trustee Kraemer seconded the motion to appoint Grant Hackney as President-pro-tem and to authorize adding him as a signatory on all village bank accounts and to remove former trustee Mark Rich from all village bank accounts.

On roll call the vote was:

Ayes: 5 – Cremeens, Eschelbach, Hackney, Lee Berardi, Kraemer, Smith

Nays: 0 – None. There being six affirmative votes... Motion Carried

Trustee Kraemer moved, and Trustee Smith seconded the motion to approve and authorize the Chief Potts to sign the agreement with the Multi-County Enforcement Group contingent upon the review and approval by the village attorney.

On roll call the vote was:

Ayes: 5 – Cremeens, Eschelbach, Hackney, Lee Berardi, Kraemer, Smith

Nays: 0 – None. There being six affirmative votes... Motion Carried

The Mutual Aid agreement with Tazewell County Sheriff's Office will be held over to next month.

The invoice presented for the Cimino Subdivision from Schlueter Plumbing will be held for payment until such time as the agreement is reviewed and it is determined how much should be retained until completion of the project including the street and ditches.

The clerk was contacted by a resident regarding the possible donation of a piece of property. The village will accept the donation and as with past practice, the village will pay costs associated with the title work.

VII.) CALENDAR ITEMS

Committee Meetings	September 20	6:00 p.m. at village hall
Regular Village Board	September 21	7:00 p.m. at village hall
Senior Lunch	September 10	Baptist Church at 11:30 a.m.

VIII.) ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business to conduct, Trustee Cremeens moved, and Trustee Hackney seconded the motion to adjourn.

The board unanimously approved the motion by voice vote and the meeting adjourned at 7:24 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lori Lewis Village Clerk