Village of Deer Creek

101 W. First Ave. PO Box 38 Deer Creek, IL 61733 **Tuesday November 19, 2024**

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF DEER CREEK HELD AT DEER CREEK COMMUNITY CENTER. Village President Jim Hackney called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

I.) ROLL CALL

Present: Trustees Grant Hackney, Ross Kraemer, Nick McGahan, Josh Rossman, Jake Smith **Absent:** None **Also Present:** Clerk Lori Lewis, Public Works Superintendent Gordon Robertson, Attorney Pat McGrath, and Jeff Rogers

Let the minutes reflect that Trustee Stefanie Lee Berardi tendered her resignation from the board on November 13, 2024. The president and village board thank her for her time in service.

II.) APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

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

On roll call the vote was:

Ayes: 5 – Hackney, Kraemer, McGahan, Rossman, Smith **Nays:** 0 – None There being five 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 None.

D. Engineer –

Trustee Hackney moved, and Trustee Rossman seconded the motion to authorize the village engineer to prepare the necessary documents for the construction of the sewer line on Fay and for the village president and clerk to sign any and all documents necessary related to this project.

On roll call the vote was:

Ayes: 5 – Hackney, Kraemer, McGahan, Rossman, Smith **Nays:** 0 – None There being five affirmative votes...**Motion Carried**

E. **Attorney** – Attorney McGrath reported that he is finalizing the demand letter to the property owner at 121 E First regarding the conditions of his building.

V.) OLD BUSINESS - none

VI.) NEW BUSINESS

Trustee Smith moved, and Trustee Kraemer seconded the motion to approve the Class "A" liquor license and video gaming license to operate five terminals at the Village Tap for a term of one year beginning November 1, 2024, and expiring October 31, 2025, as recommendation of the liquor commissioner and the police chief.

On roll call the vote was:

Ayes: 5 – Hackney, Kraemer, McGahan, Rossman, Smith **Nays:** 0 – None There being five affirmative votes...**Motion Carried**

Trustee Rossman moved, and Trustee Hackney seconded the motion to approve the CorrPro agreement for the annual cathodic protection service at the water tower in the amount of \$830.

On roll call the vote was:

Ayes: 5 – Hackney, Kraemer, McGahan, Rossman, Smith **Nays:** 0 – None There being five affirmative votes...**Motion Carried**

Attorney McGrath advised the board that the tax levy ordinance will need to be adopted next month. With the increased EAV, the 5% increase should not be difficult to put together.

The board was also advised to review water and sewer rates after the first of the year. An additional consideration is the 1% grocery tax that the state will be eliminating. This tax can be reinstated through the municipality. The board will consider this ordinance next month.

VII.)	CALENDAR ITEMS		
	Committee Meetings	December 16	6:00 p.m. at village hall
	Regular Village Board	December 17	7:00 p.m. at village hall
	Breakfast with Santa	December 14	9 to 11 a.m. at community center

Let the minutes reflect that Trustee Nick McGahan tendered his resignation effective the adjournment of this meeting. Nick and Breanna are relocating for a new job opportunity. The president and village board thank him for his time in service.

VIII.) ADJOURNMENT:

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

The board unanimously approved the motion by voice vote and the meeting adjourned at 7:18 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lori Lewis Village Clerk