The Lyndon Village Board of Trustees met for a Regular meeting on August 13, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. at the Lyndon Village Hall, 605 West Commercial, Lyndon, IL. President Doug Dunlap called the meeting to order. Clerk Georgia Schaver recorded the minutes.

President Doug Dunlap directed Clerk Georgia Schaver to call roll. Those responding were: Trustees Gary Sutton, Paul Engwall, Bryan Bowen, Becky Piester, Craig Bohms, and Beau Wetzell. Also in attendance were: Attorney Matthew Cole, Superintendent John Wright, Chief Mike Fisk, and several guests.

President Dunlap asked all to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance.

President Dunlap went over the Consent Agenda consisting of: a. Approve minutes from July 9, 2019; b. Approve Accounts Payable; c. Approve Fred Pryor Training Rewards for Clerk Georgia Schaver of $199.00; and d. Approve IEPA Loan Disbursement Request #1 in the amount of $40,300.00 – including reimbursement of design engineering invoices in the amount of $35,300.00 and CFPS, Inc. loan administration invoice #001 in the amount of $5,000.00. There being no items removed from the Consent Agenda for discussion and possible action President Dunlap asked for a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Trustee Bowen so moved, seconded by Trustee Wetzell. On a roll call vote of Six Ayes, (Sutton, Engwall, Bowen, Piester, Bohms, and Wetzell), and 0 Nays. Motion carried.

Trustee Piester made a motion to approve an Outdoor Music Permit for Bear’s Showtown USA on August 17th, 2019, seconded by Trustee Sutton. On a roll call vote of Six Ayes, (Sutton, Engwall, Bowen, Piester, Bohms, and Wetzell), and 0 Nays. Motion carried.

Trustee Bowen made a motion to approve authorizing the Mayor to execute change order to IEPA water tower contract for placement of American flag at cost not to exceed $3,400.00, seconded by Trustee Piester. On a roll call vote of Six Ayes, (Sutton, Engwall, Bowen, Piester, Bohms, and Wetzell), and 0 Nays. Motion carried.

Trustee Sutton made a motion to approve having Attorney send a notice of termination of facilities with the Wisp.net, seconded by Trustee Piester. On a roll call vote of Six Ayes, (Sutton, Engwall, Bowen, Piester, Bohms, and Wetzell), and 0 Nays. Motion carried.

Upon recommendation by Attorney Matthew Cole Trustee Sutton made a motion to approve refund to Blaeco Properties for $437.93, seconded by Trustee Bowen. On a roll call vote of Six Ayes, (Sutton, Engwall, Bowen, Piester, Bohms, and Wetzell), and 0 Nays. Motion carried. It was duly noted that in the future all shut offs or turn ons of water will always be followed according to procedure (call comes in, service request form is filled out, Superintendent John
Wright is notified, water is shut off or turned on per order, everything is documented by notation in the water program in the customer’s account, and a $25.00 fee is assessed for either turning off water or turning water on). All Trustees and the Mayor were in agreement on procedure.

There was much discussion about the regulation of recreational marijuana and cannabis business establishments within the Village pertaining to the new law which goes in effect January 1, 2020. Attorney Cole went over the procedure if need to make a zoning ordinance change. This will be discussed at the finance meeting and the board will go over what to put in the ordinance addressing this new law.

Trustee Sutton made a motion to approve a building permit for Seth Jones, seconded by Trustee Wetzel. On a roll call vote of Six Ayes, (Sutton, Engwall, Bowen, Piester, Bohms, and Wetzel), and 0 Nays. Motion carried.

Trustee Sutton made a motion to approve a building permit for Jerry Sibley, seconded by Trustee Piester. On a roll call vote of Six Ayes, (Sutton, Engwall, Bowen, Piester, Bohms, and Wetzel), and 0 Nays. Motion carried.

Trustee Bowen made a motion to approve a fence permit for Dylon Hambelton, seconded by Trustee Engwall. On a roll call vote of Six Ayes, (Sutton, Engwall, Bowen, Piester, Bohms, and Wetzel), and 0 Nays. Motion carried.

Discussion about the abandoned property at 408 7th Avenue East was concluded with the board being in agreement to have Attorney proceed with abandonment proceedings on the property. Trustee Piester made a motion to authorize Attorney Matthew Cole to proceed with abandonment at a cost of $4,000.00, seconded by Trustee Engwall. On a roll call of Six Ayes, (Sutton, Engwall, Bowen, Piester, Bohms, and Wetzel), and 0 Nays. Motion carried.

Superintendent John Wright when asked about how Austin McKee was doing on the job responded that he is doing a good job and would be an asset to the Village. Trustee Sutton made a motion to approve hiring Austin McKee as a full-time Public Works employee effective June 16, 2019, seconded by Trustee Piester. On a roll call vote of Six Ayes, (Sutton, Engwall, Bowen, Piester, Bohms, and Wetzel), and 0 Nays. Motion carried.

Trustee Bowen made a motion to approve the renewal of the Blue Cross/Blue Shield of Illinois Health Insurance, seconded by Trustee Engwall. On a roll call vote of Six Ayes, (Sutton, Engwall, Bowen, Piester, Bohms, and Wetzel), and 0 Nays. Motion carried. Trustee Bowen stated that next year in June have our broker, Dacla Dennis, look into other companies for health insurance.

Trustee Engwall made a motion to approve obtaining bids for 7 ash trees to be removed (Ed Meremas’, Michelle Sweetser’s, Jerry McCellans’, 2 at Taylor Kelleys’, and 2 at the Northside of
Richmond Park), seconded by Trustee Bowen. On a roll call vote of Six Ayes, (Sutton, Engwall, Bowen, Piester, Bohms, and Wetzell), and 0 Nays. Motion carried.

The Boat Access Development Grant was tabled for further discussion.

Reports for Department Heads:

Superintendent John Wright stated that the Boat access development grant opened July 1st and he just got it 2 weeks ago. He stated that we are a river city but are land locked now. John stated the water main project first valve in and sent a water sample today and as long as it passes will lift the boil order for the homes effected. John stated used just over 8 tons of hot patch so far and he plans on getting one more load in the next week. John stated that he will not do hydrant flushing until full cycling back up. John passed a copy of a picture around of possibly the first dig in Lyndon. The young children in the photo were residents Arlyn Madsen and Doug Dunlap. John stated that Gary and Bryan will be doing water readings for him on Saturday, August 17th and Sunday, August 18th.

Chief Mike Fisk stated other house in question would like to talk in closed not in public. Chief Fisk stated that he would like to use extra set of hands such as community service to help the resident. Chief stated that one of the people residing in a trailer is a Veteran and she came tonight to talk to the board.

Clerk Georgia Schauer had nothing to report.

Public Comment:

Amy, who is a Veteran, stated that she had just sold her house and asked the board for a month extension for living in the trailer until her finances come through. The Board granted the 30 day extension. Amy thanked the Board.

Arlyn Madsen asked if when they do the contract for Wi-fi if can get Wi-fi for the Historical Society as one of the spots. Mike Fisk stated I think we could do that.

President Dunlap asked for a motion to go into Executive Session for “To consider the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employee(s) of the public body” 5ILCS120/2c(1). Trustee Bowen so moved, seconded by Trustee Piester. On a roll call vote of Six Ayes, (Sutton, Engwall, Bowen, Piester, Bohms, and Wetzell), and 0 Nays. Motion carried. Exited Regular Session at 7:06 p.m.

Returned to Regular Session at 7:13 p.m. Roll call: Sutton, Engwall, Bowen, Piester, Bohms, and Wetzell.
President Dunlap asked for a motion to approve hiring a part-time office assistant. Trustee Piester so moved, seconded by Trustee Bowen. On a roll call vote of Six Ayes, (Sutton, Engwall, Bowen, Piester, Bohms, and Wetzell), and 0 Nays. Motion carried.

President Dunlap asked for a motion to appoint a deputy clerk. Trustee Sutton so moved, seconded by Trustee Bowen. On a roll call vote of Six Ayes, (Sutton, Engwall, Bowen, Piester, Bohms, and Wetzell), and 0 Nays. Motion carried.

President Dunlap congratulated Carrie Ritemon as the new part-time office assistant and deputy clerk. Clerk Georgia Schaver did the swearing in of Carrie Ritemon for Deputy Clerk.

There being no further business to discuss President Dunlap asked for a motion to adjourn. Motion made by Trustee Sutton, seconded by Trustee Piester. On a voice vote of all Ayes. Meeting adjourned at 7:16 p.m.

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President Doug Dunlap       Clerk Georgia Schaver        Date