The Lyndon Village Board of Trustees met for a Regular meeting on September 10, 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, Treasurer Alicia Wetzell, 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 August 13, 2019 meeting; b. Approve Accounts Payable; and c. Approve IEPA Loan Disbursement Request #2 – Including Engineering Invoices and pay application #1 for contracts 1 & 2. There being no items removed from Consent Agenda for further discussion and possible action President Dunlap asked for a motion to approve Consent Agenda. Trustee Piester so moved, seconded by Trustee Engwall. On a roll call vote of Six Ayes, (Sutton, Engwall, Bowen, Piester, Bohms, and Wetzell), and 0 Nays. Motion carried.

Gerry Halpin CPA gave his Auditor’s report for the 2018-2019 fiscal year. The total cash position was $461,468.89. Gerry went over general funds, sales tax, video gaming tax, income tax was the same, property tax was the same, and general government expense was more. Gerry stated that the Public Works spending was down from last year. President Dunlap asked what Gerry suggest for the general fund and Gerry stated to just watch expenses a little but you are at the will of whatever the state sends you – out of your control. Gerry thanked the Board and the Mayor. And Gerry thanked Alicia and Georgia for their help with the Audit.

Attorney Matthew Cole explained the three ordinances pertaining to recreational marijuana and cannabis and he stated that the first one need to move on is the Zoning code as have to go through a public hearing. It was decided to schedule the Public Hearing for September 26th after the finance meeting. This will be published in the paper.

Trustee Sutton made a motion to refer consideration of amendment to Village Zoning Ordinance for cannabis business establishments to zoning committee for public hearing commence after finance meeting on September 26th, 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 Piester made a motion to have Matt draft an ordinance for personnel policy for marijuana and cannabis no consumption at work, don’t come under influence, and don’t possess, seconded by Trustee Bowen. On a roll call vote of Six Ayes, (Sutton, Engwall, Bowen, Piester, Bohms, and Wetzell), and 0 Nays. Motion carried.

Attorney Cole’s recommendation was to approve all the ordinances at once at the October meeting.

Attorney Cole gave an update on the abandoned property at 408 7th Avenue. Attorney Cole stated that a petition had been filed. Notice was published in the paper and after 45 days Attorney Cole will take the next court date and get a default then the Village gets the deed.

Trustee Engwall made a motion to approve to have Becky Piester to apply for grants for new Christmas lights, seconded by Trustee Wetzell. On a roll call vote of Five Ayes, (Sutton, Engwall, Bowen, Bohms, and Wetzell), and One Abstain, (Piester). Motion carried.

Trustee Sutton made a motion to have the Wisp.net vacate the antennae on the water tower, 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 accept Collin’s Tree Service bid of $6,000.00 for removal of 7 trees and stumps, seconded by Trustee Wetzell. On a roll call vote of Six Ayes, (Sutton, Engwall, Bowen, Piester, Bohms, and Wetzell), and 0 Nays. Motion carried.

Superintendent John Wright stated used just over 8 tons of hot patch and stock piled 3 tons of cold patch so far. John stated had some boil orders for the 9th Avenue all the way back to Paul’s house and working through it as fast as can. John passed around samples of what the pipe looks like for the water main as far as the old one and the new being installed. Trustee Sutton asked John if had a cost on the curtain for salt dome. John stated not yet. Trustee Sutton also thanked John as the auditor report stated Public Works expenses had went down. John asked if Gary and Bryan were open on the 28th to do water rounds. Gary stated he could and Bryan stated he could not.

Chief Mike Fisk stated that Jeff Deets from the health department came and talked to Jeanne Osteen the homeowner for the property on 1st Street East that has the drain field problem. Jeanne and Deb Graves are proceeding with legal council. Chief Fisk stated that the property of Arlene Sanders has a condemnation order. Chief Fisk spoke to Leon Walton and he is progressing with his renovation of his house. There was discussion concerning the camper that Amy, the Veteran, has been living in and it was decided to give notice and start writing tickets but to give 3 days abatement period.

Clerk Georgia Schaver stated received the first loan disbursement check for $40,300.00 on September 9th. Also a foreclosure property had an outstanding water bill and Clerk Schaver was
able to track down the mortgage company and sent them a letter and received the check yesterday for the full amount.

Public Comment:
Stephanie Bohms gave a report on the Annual Benefit Memorial Ride for the Veterans Memorial that was held on Saturday, August 17th. There were 32 riders and 3 other rides on the same day and riders from the other rides came and supported with donations at Bushy’s Bar. Stephanie asked if could reimburse for postage and use Village copy machine again next year. Stephanie presented $2,263.00 donation that was raised the day of the ride. Stephanie stated that the donation is to continue care and upkeep of our Memorial. Stephanie thanked everyone for their support.

President Dunlap asked for a motion to go into Executive Session “to discuss litigation affecting on behalf of the particular public body that has been filed and is pending before a court or administrative tribunal, or when the public body finds that an action is probable or imminent”. 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 7:04 p.m.

Returned to Regular Session at 7:15 p.m.

President Dunlap stated no action taken or required from Executive Session.

There being no further Public Comment or business to discuss President Dunlap asked for a motion to adjourn. Trustee Piester so moved, seconded by Trustee Sutton. On a voice vote of All Ayes meeting adjourned at 7:16 p.m.

President Doug Dunlap  
Clerk Georgia Schaver  
Date