

**STATE OF ILLINOIS  
COUNTY OF WHITESIDE  
VILLAGE OF LYNDON  
OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS**

The Lyndon Board of Trustees met in Regular Session on October 13, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. at Village Hall, 605 West Commercial, Lyndon, IL. Acting Mayor/President Becky Piester called the meeting to order. Clerk Georgia Schaver recorded the minutes.

Acting Mayor/President Piester directed Clerk Schaver to call roll. Those responding were: Trustees Becky Piester, Tyler Scott, Beau Wetzell, and Gary Sutton. Trustees Craig Bohms and Bryan Bowen were absent. Also in attendance were: Attorney Matthew Cole, Chief Mike Fisk, Superintendent John Wright, Treasurer Alicia Wetzell, and several guests.

Acting Mayor/President Piester asked all to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Acting Mayor/President Piester went over the Consent Agenda consisting of: a. Approve minutes from September 8, 2020 meeting; and b. Approve Accounts Payable. Trustee Scott questioned what the Martin Equipment was for and Clerk Schaver stated for the backhoe for repairs which Superintendent Wright confirmed and explained further. Trustee Scott also asked what the Sutton & Sons bill was for. Clerk Schaver explained they fixed the thermostat. There being no items removed from the Consent Agenda for further discussion and possible action Acting Mayor/President Piester asked for a motion and second to approve. Trustee Scott so moved, seconded by Trustee Sutton. On a roll call vote of Four Ayes, (Piester, Scott, Wetzell, and Sutton), and 0 Nays. Motion carried.

Arlyn Madsen addressed the board about several people wanting to amend the ordinance to allow chickens (hens) in town. Mr. Madsen passed a sample ordinance that the Village of Erie had. Mr. Madsen also stated that Erie had a petition signed by people who wanted chickens. Mr. Madsen stated could have immediate neighbors sign off on it. He also stated that if the board thinks a petition is needed he can get some signatures. Sterling's is 4 hens and \$25.00 license fee. The sample covers their bases over there referring to Erie. Lyndon's Ordinance is 6.04.170. Mr. Madsen stated the Village guys doing a good job on patching. Acting Mayor/President Piester thanked Mr.Madsen.

Trustee Sutton made a motion to approve IMLRMA 2021 Annual Contribution for Work Comp and Insurance Option #1 \$55,495.95 due by 11/20/20, seconded by Trustee Piester. On a roll call vote of Four Ayes, (Piester, Scott, Wetzell, and Sutton), and 0 Nays. Motion carried.

Trustee Sutton made a motion to approve Trick or Treat Hours on Halloween from 4:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m., seconded by Trustee Piester. On a roll call vote of Four Ayes, (Piester, Scott, Wetzell, and Sutton), and 0 Nays. Motion carried.

Trustee Piester made a motion to approve moving the November Finance meeting to November 19<sup>th</sup> due to the Thanksgiving holiday, seconded by Trustee Wetzell. On a roll call vote of Four Ayes, (Piester, Scott, Wetzell, and Sutton), and 0 Nays. Motion carried.

Trustee Piester made a motion to approve moving the December Finance meeting to December 17<sup>th</sup> due to the New year's Eve holiday, seconded by Trustee Sutton. On a roll call vote of Four Ayes, (Piester, Scott, Wetzell, and Sutton), and 0 Nays. Motion carried.

Trustee Piester made a motion to approve a building permit for Richard Blumhoff for a storage shed at 104 – 1<sup>st</sup> St. West, seconded by Trustee Sutton. On a roll call vote of Four Ayes, (Piester, Scott, Wetzell, and Sutton), and 0 Nays. Motion carried.

Trustee Sutton made a motion to approve a building permit for Richard Blumhoff for storage shed at 106 W. Commercial, seconded by Trustee Piester. On a roll call vote of Four Ayes, (Piester, Scott, Wetzell, and Sutton), and 0 Nays. Motion carried.

Trustee Piester made a motion to approve a building permit for Craig Bohms for a patio and cement, seconded by Trustee Sutton. On a roll call vote of Four Ayes, (Piester, Scott, Wetzell, and Sutton), and 0 Nays. Motion carried.

Trustee Piester made a motion to approve a building permit for Sam Wanckett or Gary Gibbs for a self-storage rental building, seconded by Trustee Sutton. On a roll call vote of Four Ayes, (Piester, Scott, Wetzell, and Sutton), and 0 Nays. Motion carried.

Trustee Scott made a motion to approve \$40.00 total additional for bridge planks, seconded by Trustee Wetzell. On a roll call vote of Four Ayes, (Piester, Scott, Wetzell, and Sutton), and 0 Nays. Motion carried.

Trustee Wetzell made a motion to approve additional cost for streets resurfacing up to \$8,000.00, seconded by Trustee Piester. On a roll call vote of Four Ayes, (Piester, Scott, Wetzell, and Sutton), and 0 Nays. Motion carried.

Trustee Sutton made a motion to approve additional \$300.00 for Saw Tree Removal for emergency tree service due to storm, seconded by Trustee Piester. On a roll call vote of Four Ayes, (Piester, Scott, Wetzell, and Sutton), and 0 Nays. Motion carried.

Treasurer Alicia Wetzell stated the Trees Forever Grant has been approved. Alicia stated awarded \$2,000.00 which is a 100% match. For reimbursement they issue the check after completed and work is done. Project must be completed within three growing seasons. There was discussion about the types of trees. Tabled till Finance meeting for more discussion.

Attorney Matthew Cole stated that he will pickup the title for 408 – 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue East property. They had refunded the \$750.00 that the Village had paid for processing.

Department Heads Reports:

Clerk Georgia Schaver had nothing to report.

Chief Mike Fisk: The new mitigation idea for officers is not to go in and arrest. Everything has shifted to the health department basically on a complaint. He doesn't think the last time that there was even one complaint in Whiteside County. Had complaints on feral cats. He explained what the County does is catch and release them out farther after they are altered. For Halloween it's up to the parents if they are going to do it.

Acting Mayor/President Piester told Mike good job on getting moving of vehicles and getting things cleaned up.

Superintendent John Wright: Me and the guys did our Sexual Harassment Training, so we are compliant there. The backhoe spool spring in the bottom was bad had Martin Equipment fix it. Streets need 3 loads of patch in front of Beau's for that street alone. Would like to get another 6 to 10 loads of patch. We will be flushing hydrants next Tuesday and Wednesday (October 20<sup>th</sup> & October 21<sup>st</sup>). For streets resurfacing when they swept the streets on 1<sup>st</sup> Street East turned skid loader around and tore up street. Spot came up short by old ball diamond so didn't do curve. Tree planted at Richmond Park a Magnolia tree in memory of Pete & John Crady. Had a salesman come in about meter reads \$1,500.00 cost. Meters read not a big deal to me but is to other persons. The reads would come into Georgia's computer. Can shut off water from computer by pushing a button. If a major leak can shut off from the computer. The meters are \$45.00 cheaper than what we are buying. It takes 2 guys 3 hours each to read meters now.

Reports from Members of the Board of Trustees: Acting Mayor/President Piester went down the standing committees: Streets, Alleys, & Storm: Tyler the streets hope they hold up. Building & Property: Beau nothing. Zoning and Building Permits: Gary nothing. Police & Public Safety: Becky nothing. Bryan was absent so no report for Licenses or Waterworks. Craig was absent so no report for Sidewalks and Streetlights or Health, Animal, & Sanitation.

Lindy Greenwood asked if could have LEAP committee meeting at the Village Hall on November 2<sup>nd</sup> at 6:00 p.m. No cannot as the Village Hall will be set up for Voting. She then asked about November 3<sup>rd</sup>. No that is Voting. She asked about Thursday, November 5<sup>th</sup>. Yes that is okay. Lindy then stepped up to the podium to give her report for the LEAP Committee. The greatest history landmark is the bridge. The bridge is a backdrop for a lot of pictures. The LEAP Committee request relocate signs near the trash can as you enter the cable part. There are fall holiday pictures taken at the bridge. There will be Christmas lighting of the bridge. Going to decorate the bridge on Saturday, November 7<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 p.m. anybody can help. Not having a big lighting thing like usually do. Friday after Thanksgiving turn them on. The light in gazebo put a motion light there. Trustee Sutton stated put an eye on it like church steeple. Lindy stated if manpower is a problem relocating sign one of us at LEAP Committee with your permission be willing to do it.

Public Comment: Randy (Tompkins) and his wife, Sharon and I (Richard Nolan) thank you the street looks really nice. Trustee Sutton thank you for being patient.

Trustee Sutton asked John when you putting up Christmas lights? Can use scissor lift.

Acting Mayor/President Piester asked for a motion and a second to go into Executive Session for: a. "Discussion of minutes of meetings lawfully closed as provided by 5ILCS120/2/©21" and b. "To discuss litigation affecting or 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" 5ILCS120/2(c)(11). Trustee Piester so moved, seconded by Trustee Sutton. On a roll call vote of Four Ayes, (Piester, Scott, Wetzell, and Sutton), and 0 Nays. Motion carried. Exited Regular Session at 6:38 p.m.

Returned to Regular Session at 6:46 p.m.

Acting Mayor/President Piester asked for a motion and a second to keep Executive Session minutes closed. Trustee Piester so moved, seconded by Trustee Wetzell. On a roll call vote of Four Ayes, (Piester, Scott, Wetzell, and Sutton), and 0 Nays. Motion carried.

There being no further business to discuss Acting Mayor/President Piester asked for a motion and second to adjourn. Trustee Sutton so moved, seconded by Trustee Scott. On a voice vote of All Ayes. Meeting adjourned at 6:48 p.m.

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Acting Mayor/President Becky Piester

Clerk Georgia Schaver

Date