

**STATE OF ILLINOIS**

**COUNTY OF WHITESIDE**

**VILLAGE OF LYNDON**

**OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS**

The Board of Trustees met in Regular Session on March 9, 2021 at Village Hall, 605 West Commercial, Lyndon, IL at 6:00 p.m. Acting Mayor/President Becky Piester called the meeting to order. Clerk Georgia Schaver recorded the minutes.

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

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

President Piester went over the Consent Agenda consisting of: a. Approve minutes from February 9, 2021; and b. Approve Accounts Payable. There being no items removed from the Consent Agenda for further discussion and possible action President Piester asked for a motion and a second to approve. Trustee Wetzell so moved, seconded by Trustee Bowen. On a roll call vote of Six Ayes, (Piester, Scott, Bohms, Wetzell, Sutton, and Bowen), and 0 Nays. Motion carried.

There was much discussion pertaining to the chicken ordinance. Attorney Matthew Cole pointed out the following provisions: Only single family residential use, Permit May 1st to April 30th no matter when someone comes in for a permit expires on May 1st, enclosures or fenced area 30 ft. from neighbor's building and 7 ft. from any property or lot line, and three violations of ordinance immediate revocation of permit. President Piester asked for a motion and second to approve chicken ordinance. Trustee Wetzell so moved, seconded by Trustee Sutton. On a roll call vote of Three Nays, (Piester, Scott, and Bohms), and three Ayes, (Wetzell, Sutton, and Bowen). Attorney Matthew Cole states motion doesn't pass.

Trustee Piester made a motion to approve Town Wide Garage Sales for May 7 - 9, seconded by Trustee Wetzell. On a roll call vote of Six Ayes, (Piester, Scott, Bohms, Wetzell, Sutton, and Bowen), and 0 Nays. Motion carried.

Trustee Wetzell made a motion to approve Spring Clean Up Day for May 10th, seconded by Trustee Scott. On a roll call vote of Six Ayes, (Piester, Scott, Bohms, Wetzell, Sutton, and Bohms), and 0 Nays. Motion carried.

Trustee Sutton made a motion to approve semi load of playground mulch for \$19.95 per cubic yard (90 cubic yards total for \$1795.50), seconded by Trustee Piester. On a roll call vote of Six Ayes, (Piester, Scott, Bohms, Wetzell, Sutton, and Bowen), and 0 Nays. Motion carried.

President Piester stated pertaining to the resale for property at 408 7th Avenue East there is

\$2544.60 in it so far. Attorney Matthew Cole stated can do an ordinance which have to do three publications in paper, Trustees would open sealed bids at a meeting, and can accept any bid you want. Can do a Resolution, have to do one publication in the paper, and bid accepted must be 80% of appraised value of property. Attorney Cole also stated need to do a contract no matter what. The consensus was to think about it and discuss at finance meeting.

Next on the agenda was discuss and approve or deny Capital Asset Policy. Treasurer Alicia Wetzell explained that the Village does not have a Capital Asset Policy and she went over the sample the Auditor had sent. Alicia stated would only need to change the highlighted parts and the amount to spend before have to record it. The consensus was \$1,000.00 for the amount. Trustee Bowen made a motion to approve the Capital Asset Policy, seconded by Trustee Scott. On a roll call vote of Six Ayes, (Piester, Scott, Bohms, Wetzell, Sutton, and Bowen), and 0 Nays. Motion carried.

Discussion about engineering documents from IEPA water main improvement project from IMEG. The consensus was that Trustee Wetzell and Trustee Bowen would see what was agreed to with IMEG and they would put a list together of what is needed. Tabled. This will be discussed at the finance meeting.

Discussion pertaining to the one ton truck maintenance Superintendent John Wright stated the fuel tank is leaking and transmission is slipping. Fuel tank is \$250.00 and transmission work done 7 years ago and he stated cost about \$4500.00 to fix it then. Trustee Sutton stated to drop the pan see if shavings in there. Trustee Bowen asked if replacement is on the 5 year budget. The consensus was to discuss at finance meeting. Tabled.

LEAP Committee update by President Piester stated talked about ideas to raise money for the bridge. President Piester stated the next LEAP meeting is April 7th at 6:00 p.m. at Village Hall. Lindy Greenwood gave \$500.00 to put in the bridge account from the sell of some of the magnets from the gas station. President Piester thanked Lindy for the donation.

Department Heads Reports: Clerk Georgia Schaver: Nothing.

Superintendent John Wright: Letting process for streets repairs Jeff is supposed to let John know. Trustee Scott asked John when is the best time to do hot patch? John stated they don't make hot patch until late May. John stated they still have some cold patch and going to start digging cold patch out and heat it up and will fill some holes then.

Chief Mike Fisk: Chief Fisk stated now that snow's gone yards are getting atrocious and he is working on that. Chief Fisk asked for permission from the Board to have a Community meeting and use the gazebo. He would like to get the public to come and talk about their problems -issues. Chief Fisk passed pictures around to the Board of a yard that he sent a certified letter to the resident but they are not picking it up. Attorney Cole stated that Chief Fisk is hard pressed to do anything unless do fines and then goes to Circuit Clerk. Attorney Cole stated the best course of action is to try to get voluntary compliance. Attorney Cole also stated for Chief Fisk to try to get fines and citations as you can. Chief Fisk stated probably half a dozen in town. President Piester stated need to get this started. Chief Fisk stated he would get more

information together for a Community meeting. Trustee Scott asked Chief Fisk what his uptake on the chicken ordinance is. Chief Fisk stated that his assumption is if follow the ordinance not going to be an issue. Trustee Sutton stated you would have a written contract with them-chicken ordinance.

Reports from the Board of Trustees: Trustee Scott reported that Alicia and he met last week to go over budget stuff. Quickbooks expert is coming to sort some stuff out. Trustee Bohms had nothing. Trustee Wetzell had nothing. Trustee Sutton asked if had a lot of running water prior to the meter what do we do. Superintendent Wright stated EPA accountability less than 18% of loss. Trustee Sutton asked if could do a courtesy check for residents to see if any leaks. Superintendent Wright stated when read meters if high we let them know and they usually just say they will take care of it. Superintendent Wright stated ours is from curb box to water main. It's our meter and two knuckles. Trustee Sutton asked John if the storm drain between Bushy's and fire department across from Bomers is sinking? John stated in 2012-2013 had a problem in front of Loechel's old house and the drain collapsed half way to the river. Trustee Bowen asked if it runs down the east side of street? John replied yes. Trustee Sutton said to Georgia he had been running water since Febuary 25th and he was going to shut it off tomorrow-heads up on that. Trustee Sutton stated he has Johnny's keys to pumphouse #1 & #2 and he will get them back to John. Trustee Sutton stated he has a Village Hall key will get back to Mikey before the next meeting. Trustee Bowen asked Matt how many hours he had spent on chicken ordinance . Matt replied a little over 1 hour. Trustee Bowen asked chicken ordinance still up for discussion correct? The answer was yes.

Public Comment: Michael Piester asked Spring Clean Up Day May 10th he stated that they would be out of town that week. He asked if maybe John would want to move the date. John said could move it to May 17th. President Piester asked for a motion to move the Spring Clean Up Day to May 17th. Trustee Sutton so moved, seconded by Trustee Bowen. On a roll call vote of Six Ayes, (Piester, Scott, Bohms, Wetzell, Sutton, and Bowen), and 0 Nays. Motion carried. Trustee Sutton asked for Georgia to let Dan know about the change. Clerk Schaver acknowledged it.

President Piester entertained a motion to go into Executive Session "To consider the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employee(s) of the public body" 5ILCS120/2(1). President Piester asked for roll call those responding were: Trustees Piester, Scott, Bohms, Wetzell, Sutton and Bowen. Exited regular session at 6:58 p.m. Regular meeting reconvened at 7:19 p.m. President Piester stated no action taken in Executive Session. There being no further business to discuss President Piester asked for a motion and second to adjourn. Trustee Wetzell so moved, seconded by Trustee Scott. On a voice vote of All Ayes. Meeting adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

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Acting Mayor/President Becky Piester

Clerk Georgia Schaver

Date