

Village of Newark, Illinois
Feb 09, 2022

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by President Jim Davis.

	Jan	Feb	March	April	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec
Jim D	X	X			X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Tracy S	X	7:29pm			X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Brian R.	X	7:25pm			X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Bernie B	X	X			X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Darald N	X	X			X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Gary F	X	X			X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Joe S.	X	X			X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X

Legend: X = present; a = absent

- Minutes from the Jan meeting were presented to the Trustees. Gary made the motion to accept the minutes. Motion was seconded by Joe. Motion passed. Aye votes: Joe, Darald, Bernie, and Gary.
- Bills were presented for payment. Bernie made the motion to pay the bills. Gary seconded the motion. Motion passed. Aye votes: Joe, Darald, Bernie, and Gary.
- Treasurer Report was presented, Darald made the motion to accept the monthly report, seconded by Bernie. Motion passed. Aye votes: Joe, Darald, Bernie, and Gary.
- Cliff: Covid money from the state has been approved, Library is beginning construction phase, Legislative breakfast is Feb. 28
- Police: Reviewed stats and village coverage. Polar Plunge on March 6.

Old Business:

- Code Book: No meeting
- Kencom: No meeting.
- Building Code: No updates
- EEI: John reported that the library has submitted final plans, they want to cut across street to hook up to water and sewer, Bids for filter project will be open on Jan 15th
- Sewer Line Insp. John reported 1 manhole needs replaced and he is still looking at the televised reports but feels we should televise all the way up the pipes.

New Business

- Audit Contract: Jim reported that the new contract with Mack and Assoc will be \$6200. Discussion followed about looking for a new firm. Darald motioned to accept the contract, Bernie seconded. Motion passed. Aye votes; Bernie, Darald, Gary and Joe.
- Eng. Week: Cliff read a proclamation declaring Feb 20-26, 2022 as Engineering Week.
- Water Bills: Jim reported that he is forming a committee to help Ashley explain to the public about the cost of water bills. This committee will help address rising cost in bills, leaks and help to better communicate items to the public.

- Village Garbage: Jim explained that this is only a informational meeting about village wide garbage pickup. Jim Pozzi from republic and Kyle Pennington from Groot were present. Jim explained that we have 5 companies intown to pick up garbage and by moving to 1 company it will save on our streets and we all would benefit from a cheaper cost. Tracy stated that every house in town would have pickup and that if people were to opt out that the cost would be at a higher rate. Both companies discussed their pickup program and what could be included. Ken Verda asked about family's sharing pickup. It was explained that every house would be charged for pickup and this is how the rates are based. Vic Smith wanted to understand who's idea this is and what about people that own their own garbage cans. Jim explained that they all would get new cans but could still use the current cans that they have. Ron Severson asked about people that have a business and can use that to discard their garbage. Tracy explained how it would work and that they might be able to be opt out because of this. Discussion followed. Karen Verda stated that 2 years ago the Village asked the public about this same topic and most of them did not want it, and why was this not communicated better to the public. Tracy explained again that this is only informational as no numbers or contract has even been discussed. Liz Smith wanted to know who would Bid. Discussion about snowbirds and pick up when they are gone. Dave Johnson requested that we investigate commercial pickup, Jim Pozzi explained that this is a longer process to add commercial. Tracy moved and Brian seconded that Cliff prepare a draft Request for Proposal and it be circulated to the trustees prior to the meeting so they have time to review Motioned passed. Aye votes: Tracy, Brian, Bernie, Darald, Gary and Joe.
- Joe moved and Gary seconded to go into executive session to discuss employees' wages. Motion passed. Aye votes: Darald, Gary, Joe, Tracy, Brian and Bernie. 8:47PM
- Joe moved to come out of executive session at 9:24pm Bernie seconded; Motion passed. Aye votes: Tracy, Brian, Bernie, Darald, Gary and Joe
- Discussion about hiring a new public work's worker. Bernie will draft up a notice.
- Joe moved to adjourn; Bernie seconded. Motion passed. Aye votes: Tracy, Brian, Bernie, Darald, Gary and Joe.

Adjourned at 9:48 PM, Submitted by: Matt Johnson, Village Clerk