

**VILLAGE OF KINGSTON
REGULAR VILLAGE BOARD MEETING MINUTES
July 7, 2008
UNOFFICIAL UNTIL APPROVED AS WRITTEN X
OR AS AMENDED BY THE VILLAGE BOARD
ON August 4, 2008.**

MEETING CALL:

The Regular Village Board Meeting with the President and Board of Trustees of the Village of Kingston was called to order at 7:00 PM by President John Munro, Monday, July 7, 2008, in the Village Board Room, at the Kingston Municipal Building, 101 E. Railroad St., Kingston, DeKalb County, Illinois.

ROLL CALL:

Upon roll call by Clerk Edwards, the following were in attendance:

Present: President John Munro, Trustees Jim Baenziger, Jennifer Butler, Jack Fischer, and David McNamara.

Absent: Trustees Joe Hengels and Robert Ruehl Jr.

Also in attendance were Village Attorney Kevin Buick, with the firm Foster & Buick Group LLC, Chief of Police Berna Popenhagen, and Village Engineer Kevin Berry, with Smith Engineering.

MINUTES

Motion by Trustee McNamara, seconded by Trustee Fischer to approve the June 2, 2008, minutes as written.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Ayes: 3, Trustees Butler, Fischer, and McNamara.

Nays: 1, Trustee Baenziger.

Absent: 2, Trustees Hengels and Ruehl.

Motion Carried.

VILLAGE OFFICERS REPORT

Police Department Chief Popenhagen discussed the monthly police activity report.

Chief Popenhagen reported that the new squad car should be in this week. Chief Popenhagen reported that the board will soon need to make a decision on whether or not to donate the old squad car to Cops INC.

Chief Popenhagen reported that Mr. Svoboda brought in the 6 hours of video tape, with regard to vehicles rolling through the stop sign at 4th and Windhaven. Chief Popenhagen reported that the license plates of the vehicles can not be seen. Chief Popenhagen is concerned that the video taping is not just of the stop sign, but of other people and their on goings. President Munro requested that Chief Popenhagen further investigate the video taping issue.

Attorney Attorney Buick reported that he forwarded on Resolution 2008-01 (All Hazards Mitigation Plan) to the IMEA. The village staff should be looking for notification in the mail from FEMA that they received the Resolution.

Attorney Buick reported that he had one prosecution case of a dog running at large case. It was a first time offense for the owner. The defendant did not pay the \$75.00 fine on the pay date, so Attorney Buick filed contempt proceedings. She has since made the payment and Attorney Buick withdrew the contempt proceedings. The defendant has agreed to pay the additional attorney fees that were expended in the contempt proceedings. Beginning July 1st she will make \$50.00 payments.

Attorney Buick reported that he appeared in court on behalf of the village, with regard to two properties with property maintenance violations. Attorney Buick reported that the property owner of 315 S. Main St. did not appear. Attorney Buick had a Summons issued, which is returnable on July 24th. The property owner of 125 S. Main St. did appear in court and Attorney Buick is hopeful that the matter can be resolved prior to the August 15th trial date.

Attorney Buick reported that he received another phone call from Mr. Hirsch's attorney, with regard to annexing a piece of property into the village and developing Phase 2 of Deer Run.

Public Works No report.

Village Engineer No report.

Village Clerk No report.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Driveways Nothing new to report.

Downtown Parking (2008-04) Nothing new to report.

Wastewater Nothing new to report.

Treatment Study	
Habitat For Humanity Of DeKalb County	Nothing new to report.
Water Meters	Nothing new to report.
City of Genoa (Wastewater)	Attorney Buick reported that he had a meeting with Attorney Slingerland, Genoa's Attorney. Attorney Buick requested that Engineer Berry gather all the information on the waste water issue, so Attorney Buick can review it. Discussion followed.
Subdivision A & B	President Munro reported that the lots are for sale.
ICCI (Johnson Subdivision)	President Munro requested Attorney Buick to move forward with legal proceedings.
Dixon Engineering Report (4 th Street Well House)	Engineer Berry commented that they are waiting to see if the village is going to move forward on the issue.
Wastewater (Flow meters)	Engineer Berry reported that the report should be ready next week.
Outdoor Sound Systems in Beer Gardens	Trustee McNamara reported that he has given Clerk Edwards the wording for amending the ordinance. Clerk Edwards will write the ordinance up for the next meeting.
Drinking Water Rate Study	President Munro reported that they are waiting on the Finance Committee.
Glen Woloszyk (Employee Manual)	President Munro reported that the village staff reviewed other municipalities policies, with regard to leave of absence, due to funerals. Consensus of the Board was to add the Leave of Absence policy, Funeral Leave, to the employee manual.
Ordinance	Trustee Fischer motion seconded by Trustee Butler to approve Ordinance

2008-07 (Amending Section 74-148 Prohibited Parking on Certain Streets) of the Kingston Municipal Code.
 ROLL CALL VOTE:
 Ayes: 4, Trustees Baenziger, Butler, Fischer, and McNamara.
 Nays: 0.
 Absent: 2, Trustees Hengels and Ruehl.
 Motion carried.

Police Ticket President Munro reported that the fines will be in resolution form, next meeting.

Sgt. Brett Bouma Benefit Fund The board took no action.

NEW BUSINESS

Ordinance 2008-08 (Permitted Hours of Sale) Attorney Buick explained that the ordinance will prohibit the need for special reviews before Thanksgiving and New Year’s Eve. Attorney Buick suggested that (b) be changed to: On December 31st closing hour shall be extended to 1:00 a.m. of the following day (that is, the first hour of New Year’s Day), regardless the day of the week upon which December 31st falls.

Trustee McNamara motion second by Trustee Butler to approve Ordinance 2008-08 (Permitted Hours of Sales) as amended of the Kingston Municipal Code.
 ROLL CALL VOTE:

Ayes: 4, Trustees Baenziger, Butler, Fischer, and McNamara.
 Nays: 0.
 Absent: 2, Trustees Hengels and Ruehl.
 Motion carried.

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS:

President Munro reported that the Village received a \$10,000 grant with the help of Rep. Ron Wait and a \$40,000 grant with the help of Rep. Bob Pritchard.

ADJOURNMENT

Trustee Fischer motion, second by Trustee McNamara to adjourn the meeting at 7:46 p.m.

Heather Edwards, Village Clerk