

**VILLAGE OF KINGSTON
REGULAR VILLAGE BOARD MEETING MINUTES
June 7, 2010
UNOFFICIAL UNTIL APPROVED AS WRITTEN X
OR AS AMENDED BY THE VILLAGE BOARD
ON July 5, 2010.**

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, June 7, 2010, 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, Joe Hengels, and Dave McNamara.

Absent: 1, Trustee Robert Ruehl Jr.

Also in attendance were Village Attorney Kevin Buick, with the firm Foster & Buick Group LLC, Chief of Police Gerald Taft, and Village Engineer Kevin Berry, with SEC Group Inc.

ADDITIONS AND CORRECTIONS:

Trustee Fischer added Charter Cable to New Business.

MINUTES

Motion by Trustee Baenziger, seconded by Trustee McNamara to approve the May 3, 2010, minutes as written.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Ayes: 4, Trustees Baenziger, Butler, Fischer, and McNamara.

Nays: 1, Trustee Hengels.

Absent: 1, Trustee Ruehl.

Motion Carried.

VILLAGE OFFICERS REPORT

Police Department	<p>Chief Taft reported that he handed out a letter from the DeKalb County Highway. The county passed an ordinance lowering the speed limit on Main St., north of Rt. 72, to 40 MPH.</p> <p>Chief Taft reported that the Illinois Traffic Stop Study for 2009, showed that they stopped 128 individuals.</p> <p>Chief Taft reported that there was a house fire on Thurlby Rd. The police department has been doing extra patrols there.</p> <p>There hasn't been as much traffic since NIU is out.</p> <p>Chief Taft reported that he gave a list of homes with maintenance violations to Trustee Hengels.</p>
Attorney	<p>Attorney Buick reported that the village has had great success with the ordinance violation fines being paid.</p> <p>Attorney Buick commented that a sewer committee meeting needs to be scheduled.</p> <p>Attorney Buick commented that the former business, The Kingston Roadhouse, filed for bankruptcy. It involved the village because of an unpaid water bill.</p>
Public Works	<p>No report.</p>
Village Engineer	<p>Engineer Kevin Berry reported that he reviewed the sewer data from the past month. The flow readings spiked around May 13th because of rain. The average flow reading for the month was between 73,000 and 74,000.</p>
Village Clerk	<p>No report.</p>

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

City of Genoa (Wastewater)	<p>Nothing new to report.</p>
Plan Commission	<p>President Munro reported that three planning commission members have resigned. There now is not enough for a quorum. Attorney Buick commented that state law gives the president 60 days to appoint a person to the position.</p>

Hunter Rd.	President Munro reported that the village received two more bids on fixing the ditches. President Munro requested that the financials be available for the next meeting.
Tornado Siren	Trustee Baenziger received the grant paperwork and will talk with Randy Jennings, G-K fireman, to see if the fire department will collaborate with the village. Clerk Edwards will talk with Steve Olsen, President of Kingston Township Park District, to see if they would also collaborate with the village. Trustee Baenziger commented that the village does not have money to do a matching grant.
Employee Handbook	Trustee Fischer asked if the board members had any questions. The issue will be further discussed at the next meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

Cory J. Boehmer (707 S. Sandra) Zoning Variance	Trustee Hengels reported that the Zoning Board met last Tuesday. Mr. Boehmer was requesting a variance from section 86-157 to reduce the side yard setback from 15' to 10', at 707 S. Sandra St. The individual wants to build a three car garage, to help with storage issues. The Zoning board considered the "Findings of Facts" and after determining the facts of this case the Zoning Board recommended to grant the variance.
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Trustee Hengels motion second by Trustee Butler to a grant a variance from Section 86-157 reducing the side yard setback from fifteen feet to ten feet, at 707 S. Sandra Street.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Ayes: 5, Trustees Baenziger, Butler, Fischer, Hengels, and McNamara.
 Nays: 0.
 Absent: 1, Trustee Ruehl.
 Motion carried.

Ordinance 2010-05 (Appropriation)	The board will wait until the next meeting to discuss the issue.
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Resolution 2010-03 (Fixing Penalties Prior to Prosecution)	Chief Taft reported that the resolution creates a fine for 'Trepassers' and 'Peddlers'. Chief Taft requested that peddlers be taken off until that section of the code book can be reviewed.
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Trustee McNamara motion seconded by Trustee Hengels to adopt Resolution 2010-03 (Fixing Penalties Prior to Prosecution) as amended, removing Peddlers.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Ayes: 5, Trustees Baenziger, Butler, Fischer, Hengels, and McNamara.
 Nays: 0.

Absent: 1, Trustee Ruehl.
Motion carried.

Resolution
2010-04
(Maintenance
of Streets
and Highways
by Municipality
Under the
Illinois
Highway
Code)

Trustee Baenziger commented that this is done every year.
Trustee Baenziger motion seconded by Trustee Butler to adopt Resolution
2010-04 (Maintenance of Streets and Highways by Municipality Under
the Illinois Highway Code)
ROLL CALL VOTE:
Ayes: 5, Trustees Baenziger, Butler, Fischer, Hengels, and McNamara.
Nays: 0.
Absent: 1, Trustee Ruehl.
Motion carried.

Charter
Cable

Trustee Fischer commented that there have been several complaints about
Charter Cable. One of the complaints involved grass being torn up
that is not in the easement.

Trustee Fischer motion seconded by Trustee McNamara to adjourn to
closed session to approve May 3, 2010, minutes and determine if any
closed session minutes can be opened, at 7:31 p.m.
ROLL CALL VOTE:

Ayes: 5, Trustees Baenziger, Butler, Fischer, Hengels, and McNamara.
Nays: 0.
Absent: 1, Trustee Ruehl.
Motion carried.

ROLL CALL:

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

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

Absent: 1, Robert Ruehl Jr.

Also in attendance was Village Attorney Kevin Buick, with the firm Foster & Buick
Group LLC.

Trustee Fischer motion second by Trustee McNamara to open December 7, 2009, and
May 3, 2010, closed session minutes.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Ayes: 5, Trustee Baenziger, Butler, Fischer, Hengels, and McNamara.
Nays: 0.
Absent: 1, Trustee Ruehl.
Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

Trustee Hengels motion, second by Trustee Fischer to adjourn the meeting at 7:37 p.m.

Heather Edwards, Village Clerk