

**VILLAGE OF KINGSTON  
REGULAR VILLAGE BOARD MEETING MINUTES  
November 5, 2007  
UNOFFICIAL UNTIL APPROVED AS WRITTEN X  
OR AS AMENDED    BY THE VILLAGE BOARD  
ON December 3, 2007.**

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, November 5, 2007, 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, Joe Hengels, and David McNamara.

Absent: Trustees Jack Fischer and Robert Ruehl Jr.

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

MINUTES

Motion by Trustee McNamara, seconded by Trustee Hengels to approve the October 1, 2007, minutes as written.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

Nays: 0.

Absent: 0.

Motion Carried.

VILLAGE OFFICERS REPORT

Police Department Chief Berna Popenhagen reported that Officer Taft will be attending D.A.R.E. school from December 3, 2007 to December 14, 2007. Officer Taft will teach the program, to fifth graders at the Genoa Elementary School, after Christmas break.

Chief Popenhagen reported that she has gathered information, with regard to parking tickets. Chief Popenhagen will discuss the information with Attorney Buick.

Attorney Attorney Buick reported that the PrimeCo litigation lawsuit has surfaced again. Attorney Buick reported that PrimeCo, a cellular company, filed a lawsuit for the collection of telecommunication infrastructure tax throughout Illinois. PrimeCo felt they should not have had to pay taxes for the infrastructure, since they were a wireless provider. The Village paid a small amount to participate in a class action lawsuit. Since the Village was part of the class action lawsuit it received notice of motion for the distribution of settlement funds to certain not-for-profit entities.

Attorney Buick reported that letters were sent out, the first week of October, to violators in the Johnson Industrial subdivision, with regard to the lack of an all-weather dustless surface. Attorney Buick reported that the letter informed the violators that they had 30 days to comply. Consensus was expressed by the Village Board to have Attorney Buick move forward with litigation, since the 30 day period has passed.

Attorney Buick reported that a property on Main St. was sent a notice, with regard to property violations. Attorney Buick has not heard anything from ICCI. Trustee Hengels will follow up with ICCI.

Attorney Buick reported that an administrative search warrant was obtained in October for the property at 109 S. Main St. Attorney Buick reported that there was concern that the property was using water even though the water has been turned off since March 23, 2005. Attorney Buick reported that he is waiting on a report from ICCI. Discussion followed.

Public Works President Munro reported that the tanks at the 4<sup>th</sup> Street well house will be inspected by Dixon Engineering on Tuesday, November 6, 2007, to determine how much life is left in tanks. President Munro reported that the sidewalk project on Main St. has been started.

Village Engineer Engineer Kevin Berry reported that the state has a program going on called Capital Infrastructure Improvement, where the village can apply for money, for infrastructure improvements. Engineer Berry reported that Smith Engineering is recommending that the Village try for a grant on suggested items: Wastewater Treatment Plant, Street Infrastructure, and an Overflow Channel (next to Casey's property). Engineer Berry reported that the letter is near completion and will need the President's signature.

Village Clerk No report.

#### UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Development Team Nothing new to report.

Driveways	Nothing new to report.
Township Park District	Nothing new to report.
Downtown Parking	Nothing new to report.
Wastewater Treatment Study	Engineer Berry reported that Paul Gassmann issued a letter to the Village Board explaining his findings with regard to the wastewater treatment study. Engineer Berry reported that he will have Engineer Gassmann send documentation of the study to Attorney Buick.
Habitat For Humanity Of DeKalb County	Attorney Buick reported that he has not had contact with Habitat for Humanity in the last month.
Water Meters	President Munro requested the bid from HD Waterworks.
City of Genoa (Wastewater)	Nothing new to report.
Village Lot (Between Casey's and Township Building)	Engineer Berry will check with Engineer Huinker to see if there has been any progress with regard to splitting the lots.
Village Health Insurance	President Munro reported that the Board's questions from the last meeting were answered in a letter left for them on their desks. President Munro reported in order for the employees to have pregnancy coverage their must be two participating families in the plan. President Munro reported that a drug card does not exist, but the Village will be putting \$1,000.00 in to the health savings account that can be used for prescriptions.
Angela Valley (614 S. Sandra St.)	Engineer Berry reported that a rough estimate for a survey and drainage analysis upstream and downstream, in the Windhaven subdivision, would be \$12,000. President Munro requested a formal proposal, from Smith Engineering, for the next meeting.
4 <sup>th</sup> Street Well House	President Munro reported that there are three options with regard to fixing the pipe at the 4 <sup>th</sup> Street well house.
	Trustee Hengels motion seconded by Trustee McNamara to authorize the

expenditure of Village funds to have H.I. Stone replace the pipe completely at the 4<sup>th</sup> Street well house not to exceed \$4,890.45.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

Nays: 0.

Absent: 2, Trustees Fischer and Ruehl.

Motion carried.

#### NEW BUSINESS

Old Squad Chief Popenhagen reported that the old squad car is sitting at Tri State Towing.  
Car Trustee Baenziger volunteered to try to fix the old squad car. The car, if fixable, would serve as a third vehicle. Chief Popenhagen will have the vehicle towed back up here.

#### ADJOURNMENT

Trustee Butler motion, seconded by Trustee McNamara to adjourn the meeting at 7:36 p.m.

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Heather Edwards, Village Clerk