

VILLAGE OF PAWNEE
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Minutes of March 11, 2024

Call to Order:

- President Clarke called the meeting to order at 7:00pm

Roll Call:

- Village Clerk, Devona Martin called roll
- Trustees in attendance: Dale Walters, Troy Grant, David Skinner, Brian Whitlow
- Trustees Absent: Phillip Thompson, Patrick Murphy
- Also in attendance: Attorney Don Cravens, Treasurer Brent Wise, Chief Barclay Harris, Jeff Schober, Jay Smith with Locals, David Lee

Visitor's Recognition/Comments:

- Jay Smith with Locals appeared before the Board. They are having a fundraiser SXS run on Saturday, April 20th. They will depart at 10am and will be back later in the day. They are supporting the Land of Lincoln Honor Flight. Consensus was to allow.

Clerk's Report:

- Minutes of February 26, 2024 were presented for review and approval
Motion made by Trustee Skinner to approve the minutes of February 26, 2024 as presented
Second made by Trustee Whitlow
Roll Call Vote Taken: Walters-yes, Grant-yes, Skinner-yes, Whitlow-yes
Motion Carried: (4-0)

Personnel & Finance Committee Report: Committee Chair, Trustee Skinner

- Trustee Skinner presented the bills payable for the week ending March 11, 2024 in the amount of \$140,683.11
Motion made by Trustee Skinner to approve the bills payable for the week ending March 11, 2024 in the amount of \$140,683.11
Second made by Trustee Whitlow
Roll Call Vote Taken: Walters-yes, Grant-yes, Skinner-yes, Whitlow-yes
Motion Carried: (4-0)

Gas and Water Committee Report: Committee Chair, Trustee Whitlow

- Trustee Whitlow advised there was 1 shut off last month.
- Trustee Whitlow advised that Petersburg is on pace to be out of here in 4-5 weeks. President Clarke advised he talked to Jeff and with Trustee Whitlow. We are planning to fill the trenches and then overlay the roads with asphalt. Then we'll let Petersburg come back in and rock and chip. This will be done between now and when school is out. Then in the fall, we'll hit the same streets again with rock and chip. Prior to this, they'll fill the trenches again if needed.
- Trustee Whitlow advised the odorizer finally came in and they will be installing it.
- President Clarke advised we received the \$500,000 grant from Nikki Budzinski our congresswoman. We owe \$460,000 to Petersburg that is still to be billed. We'll likely have to

borrow the money and then pay it back with the grant. We are still awaiting \$200,000 from Mike Murphy and \$50,000 from Steve McClure.

- Discussed the road between Aumiller's and Lee's. The easement between them is a road. Mr. Lee put an invisible dog fence up. Aumiller's asked us to rock this. Mr. Lee appeared before the Board. He is a grandpa, 6 kids, 4 grandbabies. His yard is not deep and his kids and grandkids play in that area. He does not want the road to be graveled. Attorney Cravens suggested we abandon the street, but reserve the easement for the sewer line. Then we would split the road in half between the two properties. We'll find out if there is a working sewer there and then we'll make a decision.

Streets, Alley and Sidewalk Committee Report: Committee Chair, Trustee Grant

- Jeff Schober advised they will start filling the trench in front of the school tomorrow while the weather is nice.

Police Committee Report: Committee Chair, Trustee Skinner

- Chief Barclay Harris presented the Monthly Police Report.
Motion made by Trustee Skinner to approve Chief Barclay Harris's Monthly Police Report
Second made by Trustee Walters
Roll Call Vote Taken: Walters=yes, Grant=yes, Skinner=yes, Whitlow=yes
Motion Carried: (4-0)

Sewers and Parks Committee Report: Committee Chair, Trustee Thompson

- No report.

Zoning Committee Report: Committee Chair, Trustee Murphy

- Treasurer Brent Wise advised we received a letter from Sangamon County regarding the properties at 915 Lincoln Street and 507 S. 4th Street. They stated the properties appear structurally fine and that we should talk to the neighbors to see what we would like to do. The property on Lincoln Street has delinquent taxes in the \$6,000-\$7,000 and then to demolish the house would be another \$10,000. We would not get \$16,000 for the lot. Attorney Cravens stated that eventually, the property will go back to the county and then we could buy it for a small amount. Attorney Cravens will check into the back taxes and potential timeframe let us know.

Bargaining Committee Report: Committee Chair, President Clarke

- No report.

Energy Committee Report: Committee Chair, President Clarke

- No report.

Infrastructure Committee Report: Committee Chair, President Clarke

- No report.

Unfinished Business:

- none

New Business:

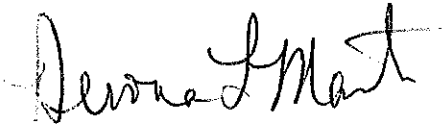
- none

Motion to Adjourn:

- **Motion** made by Trustee Skinner to adjourn
Second made by Trustee Grant
Roll Call Vote Taken: Walters-yes, Grant-yes, Skinner-yes, Whitlow-yes
Motion Carried: (4-0)

Meeting adjourned at 7:24pm on Monday, March 11, 2024. The next scheduled meeting of the Pawnee Village Board of Trustees is Monday, March 25, 2024 at the Village Hall.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Devona L Martin". The signature is written in a cursive style with a horizontal line extending from the end of the name.

Devona L Martin
Village Clerk