

State of Illinois
County of McLean
Village of Hudson

Hudson Village Board Meeting
March 1, 2011

The Hudson Village Board met on Tuesday, March 1, 2011 at 7:00 P.M. in regular session at the community room in the Hudson Public Library. President Mark Kotte called the meeting to order. The Pledge of Allegiance followed.

Roll Call: President Mark Kotte, Trustees, Jason Collins, Kevin Kelley, Betty Scanlon, Dave Brutlag, Richard Bland, Pat O'Grady, Treasurer Kristy Votoupal and Village Clerk Allison Brutlag.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY JASON COLLINS TO ACCEPT THE MINUTES AS AMENDED FROM THE FEBRUARY 8, 2011 BOARD MEETING. SECONDED BY KEVIN KELLEY. ALL YEA!

A MOTION WAS MADE BY PAT O'GRADY TO ACCEPT THE MINUTES AS WRITTEN FROM THE FEBRUARY 22, 2011 WORK SESSION. SECONDED BY JASON COLLINS. ALL YEA!

TREASURER'S REPORT

Kristy stated that the state income tax is now paid up through November 2010. There were 3 payments received in February. Kristy said that in the checks to pay in March was \$6000 for the mower out of parks equipment and to Cook's Auto Body for repairs on the squad car. A bill will be sent to the fire department for a copy of the water map from Kinko's. Jeff asked about the Christmas lighting contest and Kristy said she hasn't received the needed information to pay out the donations to the organizations.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY DAVE BRUTLAG TO APPROVE THE REVENUE AND EXPENSE REPORT AND TO PAY INVOICES DUE. SECONDED BY JASON COLLINS. ALL YEA!

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Mark received an email from Ancel Glink about the wind farm ordinance. They will write one up for us and we will further discuss it at our next work session and then hope to approve something in April or May. Mark received a letter from Miller, Hall and Triggs, a municipal law firm, about an upcoming law seminar that will be held in Peoria

on May 7. Once Mark has more information, he will pass it on to all trustees.

Jeff Waller, Water and Public Property Superintendent, stated the water usage for February was 3,040,000/ 109,000 per day. The new John Deere tractor was purchased. Jeff passed around a couple of sign proposals for the ball field for the board to look over and choose one. The lights will be in in the next 2 weeks and will be installed once the weather cooperates. Jeff will check on when the payment is due.

Frank Heineke, Streets and Zoning Inspector, said that the ISO representative was here. They grade the fire department on the distribution of water. It has to do with the insurance rate for the homeowners in the village. Frank said that the surcharge on fuel is now 10 cents per gallon through the Township as of July 1, 2011. That is up from 5 cents per gallon. Frank thanked Mark, all the trustees and police officers for having such a good working relationship with everyone.

Dale Sparks, Village Marshall, said that February was a lighter month. Squad cars 10 and 12 both were down at the same time but after tomorrow all cars will be up and running. Chief Sparks said he is ready to apply for a vehicle grant. He thanked the part time officers for filling in while some officers were gone. The police contract with Towanda is up in July. That will be discussed in budget meetings.

Civil Defense, absent.

CITIZEN'S HEARING

Kathy Brooks, 1101 McLean, asked what happened to the squad cars. Chief Sparks said one was damaged after hitting a deer and the other was overheating. Ms. Brooks also asked why we would need a windmill ordinance. Dave said he brought it up because he didn't think we had one and he isn't in favor of them being built close to the village. Ms. Brooks stated she wasn't happy about seeing them out her windows.

JASON COLLINS, CHAIRMAN OF THE FINANCE, BUDGET, CONTRACTS AND EMPLOYEES COMMITTEE, no report. Dave asked how many applications were received. Jason said that they currently had received 41. Jason, Frank, Jeff and Kevin will do the initial screening of the applicants next week and then the week of March 14 will be interviews.

DAVE BRUTLAG, CHAIRMAN OF THE STREET COMMITTEE, no report. Dave said that the Lion's Club is going to set up a Meet the Candidates night and he will

notify everyone of the time and date.

RICHARD BLAND, CHAIRMAN OF THE ORDINANCE AND ZONING COMMITTEE, no report.

PAT O'GRADY, CHAIRMAN OF THE POLICE COMMITTEE, gave the report for the month of February. In Hudson the hours for the police department for the officer's were 364.25. The officer's also had 100 vacation/ time off hours making the total 464.25. The chief's patrol hours were 95.75, admin hours were 46.25, training hours were 8 and vacation/time off hours was 16 for a total of 166. In Towanda, the total hours were 59. 4475 miles were driven in Hudson and 649 miles in Towanda. Hudson had 11 details or activity, with Towanda at 8. Hudson had 1 written warning. There were 6 traffic citations in Hudson and 3 in Towanda. Hudson had 14 verbal warnings and Towanda had 11. In Hudson, there were 4 motorist assists and Towanda had 6. There was 1 investigation in Hudson. Hudson received \$334.71 in fines. Towanda received \$233.65 in fines. The department assisted in 20 calls from the McLean County Sheriff's Office, 3 calls from the Hudson Fire Department, 4 calls from the Illinois State Police, 1 call from the Towanda Fire Department, and 1 call from the Lexington Police Department. There were 0 bike patrol hours.

KEVIN KELLEY, CHAIRMAN OF THE WATER COMMITTEE, no report. Kevin has some personnel issues to discuss in closed session.

BETTY SCANLON, CHAIRWOMAN OF THE PUBLIC PROPERTY COMMITTEE, no report.

Mark, as liquor commissioner, had no report.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY JASON COLLINS AT 7:45 TO MOVE INTO CLOSED SESSION TO APPROVE CLOSED SESSION MINUTES FROM THE FEBRUARY 8, 2011 CLOSED SESSION MEETING, TO APPROVE CLOSED SESSION MINUTES FROM THE FEBRUARY 22, 2011 WORK SESSION, AND TO DISCUSS PERSONNEL ISSUES. SECONDED BY KEVIN KELLEY. ALL YEA!

After moving back to open session, there was discussion about a letter that Frank gave to Jason. In the letter he stated he would be interested in coming back to work for the village for mowing (\$15/hr.) and also working as a consultant for a reasonable fee. He would also like the village to pay for him to receive his water operator's license for 2011-

2012. This will be discussed at the work session as we discuss the budget.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS A MOTION WAS MADE BY JASON COLLINS AT 9:10 TO ADJOURN THE MEETING. SECONDED BY RICHARD BLAND. ALL YEA!

The next Hudson Village Board Meeting will be held Wednesday, April 6, 2011 at 7:00 P.M. at the Hudson Public Library.

Respectfully submitted,

Allison Brutlag, Village Clerk