

**MINUTES  
BOARD MEETING  
November 8, 2010 - 6:00 P.M.  
VILLAGE OF PORT BYRON IL**

The second November Board Meeting was called to order with the Pledge of Allegiance by Mayor Robert Wilson at 6:00 p.m. on Monday, November 8, 2010.

**ROLL CALL / ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM**

**Roll Call #1: Present: Trustees George Bathje, Harold French, Scott Sidor, Janet Stoltenberg, Shawn VanDriessche, Todd Wiebenga**

**Absent: Trustees: None**

**Also present:** Attorney Graham Lee; Public Works Superintendent Rick Kessler

A quorum was declared by the Mayor.

**COMMENTS FROM THE MAYOR**

There will be another Christmas lighting contest again this year in the Village, with the judging to be done on December 20<sup>th</sup>. Prizes will be awarded, and the contest will again be sponsored by Mid American Energy. Last year's winners cannot be eligible for prizes this year.

**GALLERY** (Comments must be limited to 5 minutes per person, 30 minutes per subject.)

Five residents of Byron Woods brought up their concerns about the pump house in Byron Woods, and possible plans for that area of and around the pump house. Those present felt that the Village should consider selling the pump house property back to the Byron Woods Homeowners Assn. Mayor Wilson said discussions of possibilities are in preliminary stage and no decisions have been made.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**A. PUBLIC INFORMATION/FINANCE COMMITTEES**

1. **TIF** (Mayor Wilson)
  - a. Post Office Update – closing paperwork is proceeding between attorneys; bid process underway shortly for asbestos removal, roof removal, and roof replacement
  - b. Annual TIF review meeting with school and library will be 11/15/10
2. **Village Finance Committee** (Trustee Sidor)
  - a. Presentation by Kevin Heid, First Midstates
    - 1) Kevin Heid shared information as to possible financing options for raising money for big issues that may be facing the Village, such as extension of water and sewer lines.
    - 2) He explained debt limits; different types of bonds; mechanisms for putting various options into place; legal and tax requirements; possible costs and timing of a bond project
3. **Planning/Zoning Committee** (Trustee French)
  - a. Meeting on 11/17/10
4. **Ordinance, Personnel, Grants & Audits** (Trustee Wiebenga)
  - a. Concerns have been expressed recently about noise; since there is a Village noise ordinance, Trustee Wiebenga recommended complaints be referred to the RI County Sheriff
5. **Public Health** (Trustee Stoltenberg)
  - a. No report

- B. PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE** (Rick Kessler, Public Works Superintendent)
  - a. Illinois EMA exercise drill to test nuclear emergency preparedness will be 10:00 AM Wednesday 11/17/10, coordinated between Village, school, county
  - b. Flushing hydrants this week, should all be done within a day or two
  - c. Update on testing of molybdenum presence in sludge, new testing shows lower concentration; further testing will be done; working with EPA
  - d. Holiday lights going up this week
  
- 1. Water/Sewer/Garbage** – (Trustee Bathje)
  - a. J Ehmke, MSA, provided update on construction of waste water treatment plant – concrete work should be done on Aero-Mod; weather has been great for construction so all proceeding well; building has HVAC in it, Mid American has finished power install
  
- 2. Buildings & Grounds/Streets & Street Lights** (Trustee VanDriessche)
  - a. Pump house in Byron Woods  
Discussion ensued as to tearing down pump house, and possibility of residual arsenic in the water tank that is part of the facility; EPA suggested inside of tank be tested for arsenic; EPA also felt asbestos testing should be undertaken.  
R Kessler estimated that the cost of asbestos testing would run approx \$700 and cost of tearing down pump house at approx \$6000-\$7000, and suggested any useable building materials be recycled

**Trustee Sidor made motion to spend up to \$1000 to obtain the necessary testing of hazardous materials in the Byron Woods pump house, seconded by Trustee Bathje**

**RC #2: Ayes: Trustees: Sidor, Bathje, Stoltenberg, French, VanDriessche, Wiebenga  
Nays: None  
Absent: None**

**Mayor Wilson declared motion approved. Funds will be paid from Water fund.**

- 3. Cemetery** (Trustee Wiebenga)
  - a. Clarify that price list does not include opening/closing of grave – that is a separate item furnished by funeral home
  - b. Also have further discussion pending as to defining “resident” vs. “non-resident” for purposes of grave site purchase which will be brought back to Board in future
  
- 4. Administrative** (Mayor Wilson)
  - a. Minutes from 11/1/10 Board Meeting (C/A Item A)
  - b. RCFPD/PB Fire Report for October 2010 (C/A Item B)
  - c. Minutes from 09/10 TIF meeting (C/A Item C)
  - d. Minutes from 09/10 Green Committee meeting (C/A Item D)

**VI REVIEW ITEMS ON CONSENT AGENDA  
CONSENT AGENDA**

<i>ITEM</i>	<i>Action</i>	<i>Description</i>
A	Approve	Minutes from 11/1/10 Board Meeting
B	Receive	RCFPD/PB Fire Report for October 2010
C	Receive	Minutes from 09/10 TIF meeting
D	Receive	Minutes from 09/10 Green Committee meeting

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**MOTION TO APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA**

Trustee Sidor made motion to approve the Consent Agenda, seconded by Trustee VanDriessche

RC #3:           Ayes: Trustees: Sidor, VanDriessche, Bathje, Stoltenberg, French, Wiebenga  
                  Nays: None  
                  Absent: None

**Mayor Wilson declared Consent Agenda approved.**

**CORRESPONDENCE**

None

**OLD BUSINESS**

None

**NEW BUSINESS**

There was an inquiry from the Methodist Church about hooking up to Village water supply. As part of that discussion, R Kessler suggested that the Board may need to re-evaluate in general the water hook-up fees, because the meter costs are nearing the amount of the hook-up fee.

**GALLERY – QUESTIONS, COMMENTS**

T Stocking wanted a ride to Hampton on Saturday

J Walters asked for the Village to work with the Byron Woods Homeowners Assn in decisions about the pump house property

P Zumaris – questioned placing of cremation urns in Oak Grove Cemetery; no structure at present.

T Wiebenga said current ordinance allows two urns or one casket and one urn per grave site

**ADJOURN**

**Trustee Stoltenberg made motion to adjourn, seconded by Trustee VanDriessche**

**All Ayes**

**Mayor Wilson declared meeting adjourned at 7:00 PM.**

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Approved (Date)

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Mayor - Robert Wilson

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Village Clerk – Barbara Cray