

**Village of Germantown
Meeting of the President and Board of Trustees
October 15, 2019**

The regular monthly Board meeting of the President and Board of Trustees for the Village of Germantown was held on October 15, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. Those present included the following: Trustees: Ken Albers, Ken Brauer, Roger Rickhoff, Jerald Schroeder and Brad Schroeder. Village President Duane Ripperda, Clerk Dawn Lakenburges, Village Attorney Aaron Epplin, Police Chief Jeff Wuebbles and Supt. Steve Mullins and were also present. Guests included: Dawson Huelskamp and Cole Kruep, newly graduated Police Officers, Philip Timmermann of Casper Stolle Quarry, Residents: Dawn & Ryan Strake, Linda Lohman, and Rhonda Thole, Maurice Spihlman, Duane Kampwerth and Steve Arentsen of Germantown Fire District, Joe Voss and Jeff Schulte of Carlyle Southwest Water District, Central High School Students: Nicole Diesen, Amber Zobrist, Karlie O'Brien, Jenna Hemker and her father Tom Hemker Trustee Michael Albers was absent.

The minutes of the previous month's meetings were available for review. A motion to approve the minutes as presented was made by Trustee Jerald Schroeder, second by Trustee Ken Albers. Motion carried.

President Duane Ripperda and the rest of the Board congratulated Dawson Huelskamp and Cole Kruep on graduating from the Police Academy. Both Officers will continue to work part-time for the Police Department.

Joe Voss and Jeff Schulte of Carlyle Southwest Water District were present to discuss putting an antenna on the Village's water tower for a RF Meter Read Collector. The District is in the planning stages of the project and they are unsure what system they will go with. The Board had no real issue with the project but would like to have some form of written agreement. Once the District has a plan, they will work with Supt. Steve Mullins on the details.

Dawn Strake of 1204 Hanover Street was present to request a sidewalk in front of her home and extent of the subdivision. Strake has small children and she is concerned with their safety as they walk and ride bikes on the shoulder of Hanover St. A few years ago, the Village installed sidewalks to Birch Street. Strake, along with Thole and Lohman, are requesting the sidewalk be extended past their properties to Ash Lane in Midway Acres Subdivision. After a brief discussion, the Board agreed to have Supt. Mullins get some estimates together and try to plan a portion or whole project next spring. This was tabled for a later date.

Duane Kampwerth, Steve Arentsen, and Maurice Spihlmann were present, representing the Fire District, to discuss the Quit Claim deed from the Village to the Fire District. Trustee Ken Brauer then made a motion to give the Village President and Village Clerk authority to sign the Quit Claim Deed giving the Fire District the property they need. Trustee Roger Rickhoff seconded the motion and the motion carried. Village Clerk Lakenburges will record the deed.

Philip Timmermann, salesperson for Falling Springs Quarry was present to discuss the letter he received from the Village concerning the rock used for oiling. Timmermann agreed there was a

definite dust issue. He explained that IDOT has strict regulations on rock and all the rock the Village used passed IDOT tests for that grade of rock. Timmermann also had several samples of rock showing the different classes and sizes of rock. Timmermann also said different factors could have resulted in the excess dust (too thick, not laying the rock with a chipper gate, etc). Supt. Mullins said the rock was laid as it has in the past without this dust issue. President Ripperda explained the Village has spent nearly \$2,000 trying to pick up the dust. It has been a burden on the Village as well as the residents. Timmermann agreed to remove approximately 30 Ton of excess rock from the Village stockpile. He also offered to have Wilke Trucking use their chipper truck the next time we oil (this year) to see if that makes a difference. The Board discussed using different types of rock and slag but all come with pro's and con's. Timmermann said next MFT year, his quarry will cut the cost per ton by \$2-3. President Ripperda thanked Timmermann for coming.

Police Chief Jeff Wuebbles gave his report next. Wuebbles said he has prices regarding a portable speed monitoring sign. He found a smaller, battery operated sign that connects to existing sign posts. The estimated cost is \$3300-\$3400. Trustee Schroeder asked if we could test the sign before purchasing. Wuebbles will inquire and report back next month.

Supt. Steve Mullins reported next. Mullins said the curbing project is going well and the Village should be oiling streets again in about 2 weeks.

Clerk Lakenburges brought up a conversation with a concerned citizen. Lorinda Jansen came into the Village Hall upset about the dust and the condition of her house and porch. Jansen said he had her porch cleaned the dust creates a film and will not come off. She asked what the Village was going to do to repair this. A discussion was held regarding this situation. It was determined that the Village did not create the dust on purpose, nor was it done intentionally. Corrective measures were taken to eliminate the dust and if the Village does it for one home, all homes will be treated the same. Clerk Lakenburges will send a letter to Mrs. Jansen explaining the Board's view.

Trustee Jerald Schroeder, chairman of the Finance & Insurance Committee, said the Committee met to discuss the health insurance renewal for the employees. It was decided to renew with the same company and keep the same deductible reimbursement policy in effect. The Village reimburses the first \$450 of each deductible then reimburses 80% of the remainder deductible. Trustee Brad Schroeder made a motion to approve the renewal and deductible reimbursement. Trustee Ken Brauer seconded the motion and the motion carried.

Trustee Ken Brauer, Chairman of the TIF, Subdivision and Zoning Committee, said Attorney Aaron Epplin has drafted a repayment agreement with Gordon Cachola, owner of the Red Deuce, regarding the TIF agreement repayment. Clerk Lakenburges will contact Cachola.

Attorney Aaron Epplin presented the Board with several zoning code updates.

Trustee Ken Albers made a motion to adopt Ordinance 2019-11, *AN ORDINANCE RENAMING SECTION 4-5-3 AND CREATING SECTION N40-5-3(E) OF ARTICLE V IN CHAPTER 40 OF*

THE REVISED CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE VILLAGE OF GERMANTOWN, CLINTON COUNTY, ILLINOIS. Trustee Ken Albers seconded the motion and the motion carried.

Trustee Jerald Schroeder made a motion to adopt Ordinance 2019-12, *AN ORDINANCE CREATING SECTION 40-6-6 OF ARTICLE VI IN CHAPTER 40 OF THE REVISED CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE VILLAGE OF GERMANTOWN, CLINTON COUNTY, ILLINOIS.* Trustee Ken Brauer seconded the motion and the motion carried.

Trustee Roger Rickhoff made a motion to adopt Ordinance 2019-13, *AN ORDINANCE CREATING SECTION 40-5-12 OF ARTICLE V IN CHAPTER 40 OF THE REVISED CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE VILLAGE OF GERMANTOWN, CLINTON COUNTY, ILLINOIS.* Trustee Ken Brauer seconded the motion and the motion carried.

Trustee Ken Albers made a motion to adopt Ordinance 2019-14, *AN ORDINANCE CREATING SECTION 40-5-13 OF ARTICLE VI IN CHAPTER 40 OF THE REVISED CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE VILLAGE OF GERMANTOWN, CLINTON COUNTY, ILLINOIS.* Trustee Brad Schroeder seconded the motion and the motion carried.

Attorney Aaron Epplin gave the Street Committee a draft copy of the Parade and Public Gathering Ordinance. The Committee will review and report back next month.

Trustee Jerald Schroeder made a motion to pay all bills as presented. Trustee Ken Brauer seconded the motion and the motion carried.

Trustee Ken Brauer then made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Trustee Roger Rickhoff seconded the motion and the motion carried. Meeting adjourned 8:10 pm.

