

CRAINVILLE VILLAGE BOARD
Board Meeting
Tuesday March 10, 2020

Crainville Village Board met in a regular session on Tuesday March 10, 2020 at 6:30 p.m. Roll call as follows:

Mike Harbin	Yea	Sam Jones	Yea
Julie Aue	Yea	John Oetjen	Yea
Martin Bruyns Jr.	Yea	Jim Rains	Nay
Ron Mitchell	Yea	Tena Steinacher	Yea
Brad Olson	Nay	Jaci Chapman	Yea

A quorum was present:

Chief Rogers is leaving the Village after working for the community for 17 years. During his 17 years he went from a patrolman to Chief of Police. The Board honored Chief Rogers for his service and dedication to the Village of Crainville with a plaque.

Minutes:

Minutes from the February 11, 2020 regular Board Meeting were presented. There was one correction the numbering on the Board Motions was off.

Motion 1: Oetjen made the motion and Harbin seconded the motion to approve the February 11, 2020 Village Board Meeting Minutes as corrected. All present voted yea and the President declared the motion carried.

Treasurer's Report:

Steinacher presented the Treasurer's Report. Steinacher brought to the Boards attention that in order to pay for street work out of the Motor Fuel Tax Fund, the Village has to fill out the required paperwork. The Village has been taking money out of the Motor Fuel Fund to pay for road striping, and the Village has not submitted the required paperwork to the State. The Motor Fuel Audit found several striping bills that were taken out of Motor Fuel Funds in 2012 and 2014 but did not have the proper paperwork submitted to the State. The Village needs to reimburse the Village's Motor Fuel Fund \$5,269.27.

Motion 2: Oetjen made the motion and Harbin seconded the motion to reimburse the Village's Motor Fuel Fund \$5,269.27 from the Village's General Fund. All present voted yea and the President declared the motion carried.

Steinacher recommended to the Board that they approve bringing down \$35,000 from the Illinois Funds to the Village General Fund.

Motion 3: Jones made the motion and Aue seconded the motion to approve bringing \$35,000 from the Illinois Funds to the Village of Crainville's General Fund. All present voted yea and the President declared the motion carried.

The Board questioned the line item in the Treasurer's report where the property tax revenue has gone down from last year. Mitchell will talk to the County Assessor's Office to find out why the revenue from property tax is lower than last year. The Board is also concerned that the telecommunication tax continues to decline. Mitchell said that since the Village has the same zip code as Carterville, that Carterville is getting some of our telecommunication tax. He will look into this issue with cell phone providers.

Bills:

March bills were presented.

Motion 4: Harbin made the motion and Oetjen seconded the motion to pay the March bills as presented. All present voted yea and the President declared the motion carried.

Visitor Participation

See under John Crawford Reports.

John Crawford Report

East Grand Improvements

At previous Board Meetings, the Board has questioned the bill from John Crawford & Associates for the engineering work on East Grand Improvements. John Crawford and Associates went over the initial contract allotment for engineering services on the East Grand Improvements Project. John Crawford submitted a contract to SIMPO to cover the additional engineering costs. SIMPO granted his request to pay the additional engineering cost that were encountered in the project. According to the initial contract with SIMPO, the Village is responsible for 20% of the project costs. The Board is questioning whether or not they should have to pay the 20% of the overage costs on the project. The issue was tabled until the April Board Meeting.

Drainage Issues on Plaza Drive/Marilyn Drive

Crawford told the Board that the State has approved the Resolution to fix the drainage issues on Plaza Drive in front of the Asian Bistro, the drive-way in front of the NAPA store, and where Susan Lane meets Plaza Drive. Crawford will put this road improvement project out for bid.

No new information was presented on the drainage issues on Marilyn Drive.

Sewer from Guido Lift Station to Main Street

Lorie and Matt Barnett who live on East Grand told the Board that they are having issues with one of the manholes in their yard overflowing after a rain. When the overflow occurs, raw sewage backs up into their yard. Mitchell told the Board that this area behind their house from Guido Lift Station to Main Street needs to have the sewer line replaced. Several years ago, the Village received an estimate on replacing the sewer line in this area, and the cost was approximately \$350,000. Mitchell will look into any grants that the Village might be eligible for to replace the old sewer line in this area. In the meantime, Farrar will camera the area and if roots have grown in the pipe, they will cut them out. If roots are part of the problem; grinding the roots out should help with the manhole overflowing.

Department Heads

Water Report: (Pam Borders)

1. There are 763 water customers
2. 576 garbage customers.
3. 2 Building Permits
4. 5 new customers
5. 5 disconnects
6. Room Rental 5 days for a total of \$275.00

Water Appeals

James Holderfield came into the Water Office and complained that his water bill is much higher than normal. Brandon Smith went out and checked his meter and told Holderfield that he does have a water leak. Holderfield is asking the Village for a reduction in his water bill. The Board tabled his appeal until the April Meeting. The Board requests that Holderfield provide the Board with additional information regarding his water leak.

Street/Water-Sewer Report

1. Farrar told the Board that the Street/Water Department put in two new water installations.
2. The new park equipment is in, and will be installed in the Village Park in April, weather permitting.
3. Farrar told the Board that Crain Street has been patched, repairs continue on Donna Drive, and a broken culvert on Supply Road has been replaced.

Farrar asked the Board for guidance on what to do with the pothole on California. The area of the road on California that needs repair is close to the line between Carterville and Crainville. Carterville wants Crainville to fix the road and Crainville believes that Carterville needs to fix the road. Mitchell will ask Crawford to survey this area of the road that needs to be repaired, and this should determine exactly which town is responsible for the repair work.

Farrar told the Board that the old Dixie Chopper mower needs to be replaced. Brandon Smith presented the Board with estimates from John Deere, Little Tractor Equipment Co, and KBs Outdoor. Smith recommends that the Board purchase from Little Tractor Co. the 2019 Bad Boy

Renegade-61 for \$13,500.00. The Board asked that he make sure that the mower has engine protection features.

Motion 5: Harbin made the motion and Oetjen seconded the motion to purchase the 2019 Bad Boy Renegade-61 for \$13,500 from Little Tractor Equipment Co. contingent on the mower having engine protection features. All present voted yea and the President declared the motion carried.

Police Report (Officer David Lindley Reporting)

Officer David Lindley submitted a written report.

Old Business

United Systems Bill

There was a discrepancy with the United Systems Bill for the new water billing program. United Systems originally told the Village that the cost for the new program was \$7,395. They initially sent the Village a bill for over \$10,000. Mitchell negotiated the bill down to \$8,095.00. United Systems told Mitchell that the cost was for past and future training for staff in how to use the new program. Mitchell told the Board that he was unable to negotiate the bill down any further.

Motion 6: Oetjen made the motion and Jones seconded the motion to pay the United Systems bill for \$8,095.00. All present voted yea and the President declared the motion carried.

New Sign

Scott Bolen representing Roth Signs was present at the meeting. He had submitted a written proposal for a new Village sign that was given to all Board Members to review prior to the Board Meeting. At a previous meeting the Board had asked him to give them a price quote for a 5-foot sign. His price quote for the 5-foot sign is \$19,961.00. The Board had a few questions regarding getting electricity to the sign, and the durability of the sign.

The Village had two proposals for a new Village of Crainville sign. One from T-Ham Sign Company/Watchfire Signs for \$21,874.47, and Roth Signs for \$19,961.00.

Motion 7: Jones made the motion and Harbin seconded the motion to award the contract for a new Village of Crainville sign to Roth Signs for \$19,961.00. All present voted yea and the President declared the motion carried.

New Business

Line Drive Garage

Tabled until more information is provided.

A.E.S. Proposal

A.E.S. submitted a proposal to put up 6 solar lights at the new walk-way on Plaza Drive. The lights would be next to the benches along the walk-way. The cost would be \$14,643. The Village will continue to explore other options to light this area.

Pole Barn Application

Matt Crain who lives on Skeeter Ridge wants to build a pole barn. The Board approved Matt Crain's Pole Barn Application.

Executive Session

Motion 8: Jones made the motion and Aue seconded the motion to go into Executive Session to discuss personnel issues at 8:45 p.m.

Board returned from Executive Session at 9:20 p.m.

Motion 9: Harbin made the motion and Jones seconded the motion to hire Stacey Sperling as a full-time police officer starting April 1, 2020 for \$16.00 an hour, after a 90-day probationary period the hourly wage will be reevaluated. All present voted yea and the President declared the motion carried.

Adjournment

Motion 10: Jones made the motion and Aue seconded the motion to adjourn the March 10, 2020 Board Meeting at 9:30 p.m. All present voted yea and the President declared the motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted
Jacquelyn Chapman, Village Clerk