# CRAINVILLE VILLAGE BOARD

**Board Meeting**

# Tuesday June 11, 2024

Mike Harbin Yea Sam Jones Yea

Julie Aue Yea John Oetjen Yea

Martin Bruyns Jr. Yea Jim Rains Yea

Brad Olson Yea Jaci Chapman Yea

Tena Steinacher Yea

A quorum was present:

**Minutes:**

Minutes from the May 14, 2024 Board Meeting were presented. There were no corrections.

**Motion 1:**  Harbin made the motion and Rains seconded the motion to approve the May 14, 2024 Village Board Meeting minutes as presented. All present voted yea and the Acting President declared the motion carried.

**Treasurer’s Report:**

The Treasurer’s report was given to all Board Members prior to the meeting.

**Motion 2:** Aue made the motion and Bruyns seconded the motion to approve bringing $30,000 from the Illinois Funds to the Village of Crainville’s General Fund. All present voted yea and the Acting President declared the motion carried.

**Bills**:

June 2024 bills were presented.

**Motion 3:** Harbin made the motion and Bruyns seconded the motion to pay the June 2024

bills as presented. All present voted yea and the Acting President declared the motion carried.

**Visitor Participation**

Kevin McCamish lives on Jennie Lane, and is upset with the Village. The Village is in the process of replacing the old clay sewer line that runs through his family’s property. McCamish is upset because the contractor cleared a path through his property and took down several trees. McCamish says that he was not given notice when the clearing on his property was to begin, and the contractor cleared more than 20 feet. McCamish said that the Village does not have an easement to be on his property, and if the Village does not provide him with a copy of an easement he will take legal action. Jones will meet with McCamish within the next several days to discuss his concerns.

Joyce Davis was also present at the meeting. She told the Board that the Water Office contacted her to tell her that the Water monitoring program a water leak at her home. She has a plumber coming out to fix the leak, however, the plumber will not be able to fix the leak until next week, and she is concerned about the impact the water leak will have on her water bill. The Board told her to get a water appeal form and the Village will work with her.

**PSC Engineering Reports (Ron Modglin Reporting)**

*Samuel Road--Update*

PSC told the Board that within the next several weeks Benji Cain will work on reshaping the ditch on Samuel.

*Main Street –North Drainage*

On the intersection of Main Street and Grand where the two roads join there is a “V” that hinders a smooth transition from road to road. Part of the problem with the road is that the culvert in this area needs to be replaced. The Village added Permapatch and cold patch which smoothed out the transition from one road to the other. This is a temporary fix. Farrar will contact Jerry Hampton from Carterville and discuss working together to extend the culvert which would make a more permanent fix, and benefit both communities.

*Regional Sewer Plant/Headworks*

The money for the new sewer plant in Carterville has been appropriated. As soon as the Village has a firm cost for their part of the project and also has an approved contract with Carterville; the Village will need to start applying for loans for the headworks.

*Robbie Church*

Modglin told the Board that a camera has gone through the sewer line that goes through Robbie Church’s property. The line is clay but no major issues were found on the line. Modglin told the Board that they might recommend that the sewer line be lined instead of being replaced.

*Charles Avenue*

The Water Department has had several calls from residents on Charles Avenue regarding their sewer backing up. The sewer line on Charles has, in the past, had a problem with roots growing through the line which causes the sewer backups. The Water Department has periodically jetted out the line, but the last sewer backup was so severe that the Water Department had to call Skuta to come in and use their jetter to clean the line out. The long-term fix would be to either line the sewer or install a new sewer line. Potts will talk to Skuta regarding the cost estimates on lining the sewer line.

**Department Heads**

*Water Report—Water Appeals (Pam Borders)*

1. There were 808 water customers
2. 619 garbage customers
3. 2 building permits
4. 6 new customers
5. 3 disconnects
6. Room Rental 1 ($75.00)

There were two Water Appeals.

Wendi Johnson and Steven Hutchins both filled their swimming pools and would like credit for the excess sewer charge that is assessed with filling their pool. They feel that since the water used to fill their pool does not go down the sewer; they should get a break on their sewer cost for the month that they filled their pool.

**Motion 4:** Oetjen made the motion and Harbin seconded the motion to just charge Wendi Johnson and Steven Hutchins their average sewer bill for the month they filled their pools. All present voted yea and the Acting President declared the motion carried.

*Street/Water—Sewer (Ryan Farrar)*

1. Relocated yard hydrant at Crainville Gardens, and did some dirt work.
2. Replaced fire hydrant on Old 13
3. Cleaned the ditch area on the west side of Main Street
4. Worked on a sewer force main leak behind Victor Lane
5. Received diagnostic training from Midwest Meter to test/repair our water meters that have stopped reporting readings
6. Used shoulder bam to fill in holes on Donna Drive

*Police (David Lindley)*

Presented written report.

**Old Business**

*Coy Struckhoff-Security*

The Village is looking into purchasing a new security system for the Village Hall. At the May Board Meeting Coy Struckhoff made a presentation to the Board regarding an upgraded security system. Harbin and Chief Lindley met with Coy Struckhoff and they looked over the Village Hall and adjacent property for possible camera placement. Coy Struckhoff presented the Board with several options for cameras and security. The Board decided to purchase the Standard Analytics Service, and put up 14 cameras in the Village Hall and outside property.

**Motion 5**: Harbin made the motion and Aue seconded the motion to purchase the Standard Analytics Service from Security Alarm with 14 cameras; with a $15.00 a month charge per camera ($210 monthly cost) All present voted yea and the Acting President declared the motion carried.

*Employee Medical Insurance*

Jones told the Board that he decided to go with a local health insurance broker. The current Village Employee Health Care Plan from Benefits by Design has been hard to get a hold of, and do not always get back with us in a timely manner. Jones contacted Karen Cripps from Insurance House Risk Solutions from Marion Il., and they will start looking for health insurance policies for Village Employees. Jones should have new rates and insurance options for the July Meeting.

*Crainville Gardens—Julie & Fence Bid*

Aue told the Board that Terrace Fence will remove the existing fence and the fence to the new property line and will install new fencing at the back of the property. The Street/Water Department has done some dirt work in the Crainville Gardens, and moved the yard hydrant. Aue would like to put up a flag pole on the property. She passed out estimates on flag poles

*Credit Card*

The Village has received the new credit card. The credit card has a $2500.00 limit and will be located in the Village Water Office. Borders will hand out the card when needed, and receipts will be required when turning in the card.

**New Business**.

*Village Phones*

The Village has 5 phones that the President, the Street/Water Department, and the Chief of Police use. These phones are 7 years old and are having reception issues. The Board agreed to contact First Net and see what the cost would be to upgrade the phones. The Village is in the process of contacting First Net.

*Old Truck*

The Village put a for sale ad in the paper for the old Ford Truck. There was no interest. Farrar will put in an ad on Marketplace.

*GPS*

Jones told the Board that the GPS app that is on some of the vehicles is not being used, and costs the Village $140.00 a month. Jones would like to put this service on hold; which would save the Village money. The Village could reinstate this service if there is a need for this app in the future.

**Motion 6:** Aue made the motion and Rains seconded the motion to put the GPS vehicle tracking system on hold until further notice. Bruyns (Yea), Oetjen (Nay), Jones (Yea), Harbin (Yea) the Acting President declared the motion carried.

*Dropbox*

There was a party that was held at the Village Community Room, and a person who attended the party ran over the Village dropbox. The Village charged him $100.00 for labor and materials. He has paid for the damages.

*Fire Hydrant*

In May a driver in a truck ran over one of the Village’s fire hydrants located off of Old Route 13. The cost to replace the fire hydrant, labor, and equipment used was $5,322.20. The insurance carrier will be contacted to file a claim.

***Executive Session***

**Motion 7:** Aue made the motion and Rains seconded the motion to go into Executive Session at 7:50 pm to discuss personnel issues. All present voted yea and the Acting President declared the motion carried.

The Board returned to regular Board Meeting at 8:40 pm.

**Motion 8:** Harbin made the motion and Aue seconded the motion to approve appointing J. D. Williams to the Village Zoning Board. All present voted yea and the Acting President declared the motion carried.

**Motion 9:** Harbin made the motion and Rains seconded the motion to hire Isaiah Blades as a full-time police officer starting at $19.00 an hour for a 90-day probation period, and if he successfully passes his probation period his hourly wage will be $19.50. All present voted yea and the Acting President declared the motion carried.

**Motion 10:** Harbin made the motion and Bruyns seconded the motion to adjourn the May 14, 2024 Board Meeting at 9:55 pm. All present voted yea and the President declared the motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted

Jacquelyn Chapman, Village Clerk