

# Village of Deer Creek

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Deer Creek, IL 61733

**Tuesday November 17, 2020**

## MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF DEER CREEK HELD AT DEER CREEK VILLAGE HALL.

Village President Jim Hackney called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

### I.) **ROLL CALL**

**Present:** Trustees Mary Eschelbach, Grant Hackney, Mark Rich, Jake Smith

**Absent:** Trustee Tony Berardi

**Also Present:** PWS Gordon Robertson, Chief Potts, Jeff Rogers, Attorney Pat McGrath, Clerk Lori Lewis

### II.) **APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA**

Trustee Rich moved, and Trustee Smith seconded the motion to approve the Consent Agenda as presented.

#### **On roll call the vote was:**

**Ayes:** 4 – Eschelbach, Hackney, Rich, Smith

**Nays:** 0 – None.

**Absent:** 1 – Berardi. There being four affirmative votes...**Motion Carried.**

### III.) **PUBLIC COMMENT** – The clerk presented two thank you notes for the village board.

### IV.) **REPORTS**

A. **Public Works Department** – None.

B. **Planning/Zoning Board of Appeals** –

Trustee Hackney moved and Trustee Rich seconded the motion to adopt Ordinance 675 regarding the request from Dalton Andrews to change the zoning on the property at 104 S. Main Street from B-1 to R-1 as recommended by the Zoning Board of Appeals.

#### **On roll call the vote was:**

**Ayes:** 4 – Eschelbach, Hackney, Rich, Smith

**Nays:** 0 – None.

**Absent:** 1 – Berardi. There being four affirmative votes...**Motion Carried.**

C. **Police Chief** – Monthly report was presented.

Trustee Hackney moved and Trustee Rich seconded the motion to direct the village president to sign the complaint prepared against the Bates property, 205 S Mason due to the lack progress or response regarding the condition of the structure.

**On roll call the vote was:**

**Ayes:** 4 – Eschelbach, Hackney, Rich, Smith

**Nays:** 0 – None.

**Absent:** 1 – Berardi. There being four affirmative votes...**Motion Carried.**

Attorney McGrath informed the board that the complaint needs to be filed and service will be done by the county sheriff’s department.

D. **Engineer** – None.

E. **Attorney** – None.

**V.) OLD BUSINESS**

The final payment request for the current CURE reimbursement amount has been submitted, approved, and paid. Village President Hackney asked if it might be prudent to look into purchasing rapid COVID tests to have for the police, fire, and public works.

Trustee Rich moved and Trustee Hackney seconded the motion to authorize the village engineer to update the construction plans for the Cimino subdivision and send a letter to the EPA requesting an extension of the water main construction permit.

**On roll call the vote was:**

**Ayes:** 4 – Eschelbach, Hackney, Rich, Smith

**Nays:** 0 – None.

**Absent:** 1 – Berardi. There being four affirmative votes...**Motion Carried.**

**VI.) NEW BUSINESS**

Trustee Eschelbach moved, and Trustee Smith seconded the motion to approve the purchase of pit covers for the wet wells from Loos Service and Supply at a cost of \$8,103.54..

**On roll call the vote was:**

**Ayes:** 4 – Eschelbach, Hackney, Rich, Smith

**Nays:** 0 – None.

**Absent:** 1 – Berardi. There being four affirmative votes...**Motion Carried.**

At this time, the attorney reported on the upcoming tax levy. The actual amount received with this year’s levy is \$83,382.56. In order to capture the taxes created by the years of new construction within the TIF District, the maximum levy for this year can be \$137,090.94. A truth-in-taxation hearing will be required. The rate of increase will appear high, but property owners should not see any noticeable increase in their total tax bill. The president and board directed the attorney to prepare the tax levy in the amount of \$137,000. A supplemental appropriations ordinance may also be needed due to the increase in certain line items.

**VII.) CALENDAR ITEMS**

Committee Meetings	December 14	6:00 p.m. at village hall
Regular Village Board	December 15	7:00 p.m. at village hall
Breakfast with Santa	December 12	9 to 11 a.m. at community center

**VIII.) ADJOURNMENT:**

There being no further business to conduct, Trustee Smith moved, and Trustee Eschelbach seconded the motion to adjourn.

The board unanimously approved the motion by voice vote and the meeting adjourned at 7:13 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lori Lewis  
Village Clerk