

VILLAGE OF ROSCOMMON
Minutes of the April 23, 2012 Regular Council Meeting

President Erine Adams called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. Members of the Council present: Erine Adams, Joan Murphy, Jon Suvada, Bruce Yannatta, Diane Lippert, Jesse Carlson and Marc McKee. Others present were: Mike Butler, Bev Luther, Rick Bertsch, Kathy Murphy, Lonnie Ott, Kathy-Pardo Carlson, Krista Tacey-Cater, Linda Mesler, Pam Ostling, Carol Garlo, Jim Garlo, Mary Lou Jennette, Earl Deloge and Dawn Dodge. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and an Invocation given by Mike Butler.

REGULAR AGENDA

President Adams added the VFW request.

Moved by Yannatta, seconded by McKee, to approve the Regular Agenda. All in favor. Hearing no objections, the motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS

None

CONSENT AGENDA

Moved by McKee, seconded by Lippert, to accept the consent agenda, with additional bills, as presented. Ayes: Carlson, Adams, Yannatta, Suvada, Lippert, McKee. Nays: Murphy. The motion carried.

MANAGER'S REPORT

In addition to the written Manager's Report, Manager Lowe informed the council of the Boy Scout Village cleanup on April 28.

Manager Lowe received notification from Central Dispatch that they have a form for people with disabilities to fill out in case of emergencies.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Mike Butler gave a report on the cemetery.

Moved by Suvada, seconded by McKee, to accept the K & K Masonry estimate for the cemetery repair in the amount of \$1,280.00 and apply the insurance check towards that with the Village making up the difference. Ayes: Murphy, Carlson, Lippert, McKee, Yannatta, Suvada and Adams. Nays: None. The motion carried.

Mike Butler gave a report on the library.

Trustee Yannatta gave a report on the recreation committee.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

-Snow Removal Bill

Manager Lowe spoke with Tim O'Rourke from the Roscommon County Road Commission regarding the snow removal bill. The questions the council had from the previous meeting were answered.

Moved by Suvada, seconded by McKee, to approve the bill from the Roscommon County Road Commission in the amount of \$3,3,62.82. Ayes: Lippert, Murphy, Suvada, Adams, Carlson, Yannatta and McKee. Nays: None. The motion carried.

-Approve Grant Agreement

Trustee Suvada had concerns regarding the bids for the grant. Manager Lowe suggested the council move on with the agenda and come back to this item to give the council an opportunity to look through the grant application as the council, with the exception of President Adams, did not come in to review the packet prior to the meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

-Pro Temp Position

Trustee McKee asked to have this item placed on the agenda. Trustee McKee resigned as president pro tempore effective immediately.

Moved by Murphy, seconded by Carlson, to accept Marc McKee's resignation as pro tempore. All in favor. Hearing no objections, the motion carried.

President Adams appointed Jesse Carlson as president pro tempore.

Moved by McKee, seconded by Lippert, to appoint Jesse Carlson as president pro tempore. Ayes: Adams, Yannatta, Lippert and McKee. Nays: Murphy and Suvada. Carlson abstained. Motion carried.

-November 12th Meeting

Manager Lowe explained that the November 12th meeting date is a holiday and the Village offices will be closed on that day.

Moved by Lippert, seconded by McKee, to move the November 12th meeting to November 13th. All in favor. Hearing no objections, the motion carried.

-Performance Propane Sign Permit

Rick Bertsch spoke regarding the sign.

Moved by Carlson, seconded by McKee, to approve the Performance Propane sign permit as presented. Ayes: Lippert, Murphy, Suvada, Adams, Carlson, Yannatta and McKee. Nays: None. The motion carried.

-Planning Commission Pay

The manager spoke regarding the fact that the planning commission is not paid. He will do more investigations and come back to the council. Tabled until next meeting.

-VFW Request

There was a request received by the VFW to distribute poppies.

Moved by Carlson, seconded by McKee, to say yes to the VFW request. All in favor. Hearing no objections, the motion carried.

-Continuation of "Approve Grant Agreement"

The president asked each council member their opinion.

Trustee Suvada: Believes there is a conflict of interest because the treasurer is an Ostling and the Ostlings own Higgins Lake Landscaping.

Trustee Murphy: Agrees with Jon.

Trustee Yannatta: Does not believe there is a conflict.

Trustee Lippert: Happy with the way Allen handled the grant.

Trustee McKee: Does not have a problem with Higgins Lake Landscaping.

Trustee Carlson: The council did agree to have the manager go forward with the grant process at the previous meeting.

President Adams: Explained that the manager is allowed to accept bids without council approval that are under \$20,000.

Manager Lowe: Explained that using Higgins Lake Landscaping is not a conflict of interest.

Moved by McKee, seconded by Lippert, to approve the Urban and Community Forestry Grant Agreement as presented. Ayes: McKee, Carlson, Lippert, Adams and Yannatta. Nays: Suvada and Murphy. The motion carried.

PUBLIC ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Kathy Pardo-Carlson: Support of the grant.

Mike Butler: Support of the grant. Asked the council to give up the personal vendettas.

Linda Mesler: Concerns about the money given to council by Mike Walker for the cemetery.

Earl Deloge: Questions about the walk-to-school grant.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Trustee Suvada: Asked about the Planning Commission pay and VFW request. Asked about the status of the electrical box at the CRAF center.

Trustee Murphy: Happy to see the blight letters but questioned where the zoning letter was. A discussion ensued between Trustees Murphy and McKee regarding the shed at BC Pizza.

Trustee Murphy stated this was her last meeting.

Moved by McKee, seconded by Lippert, to accept Joan Murphy's resignation immediately.

Ayes: Yannatta, Murphy, McKee, Adams, Carlson and Lippert. Nays: Suvada. The motion carried.

Moved by McKee, seconded by Yannatta, to advertise for the trustee seat on Charter and the local legal newspaper, with applications due by May 24, 2012. Ayes: Lippert, Murphy, Adams, Carlson, Yannatta and McKee. Nays: Suvada. The motion carried.

Trustee Lippert: Thanked Joan for her service. Reminded everyone of the Boy Scout Village cleanup and Tisdale cleanup this weekend.

ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA

Manager has the list.

Moved by Carlson, seconded by McKee, to adjourn the meeting at 8:05 PM. All in favor. Hearing no objections, the motion carried.

Erine Adams
Village President

Dawn M. Dodge
Village Clerk