

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
October 21, 2014**

A meeting of the Village of Tolono Board of Trustees ("Board") was held on Tuesday, October 21, 2014. All trustees were present: Beth Erwin, Mike Golish, Beth Hewing, Greg Kingston, Ryan Perry and Kent Plackett. Others present were Attorney Marc Miller, Clerk Dixie Phillips, Engineer Larry Johnson, Randy Grace from the Tolono Park District, Roger Hayden from the Tolono Fire District ("TFD"), and Tony Battaglia, Village Building Official. Mayor Holt was absent

Pursuant to an approved motion made by Mr. Perry, seconded by Ms. Erwin, to approve Trustee Golish as Mayor pro tem to serve during any absence of the current President for the balance of 2014, the meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Mr. Holt and Clerk Phillips took roll call. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

**Public Comments** – None

**Public Works Department** – None

**Reports**

Mr. Johnson reported that the Calhoun storm sewer extension is in its last phase and suggested the Village contact local banks for funding a 10-year note. Mr. Johnson will craft a letter to send to review at the next board meeting for soliciting financing storm sewer. He also mentioned the sidewalk project for the TFD and it will be discussed at the next meeting.

Mr. Hayden said the original estimate for the sidewalk project is now \$985 over the \$5,000 for Reynolds; \$5,500 for Bourne Street, and they also found more school foundation at a cost of approximately \$1,200. The TFD is not asking for reimbursement on the \$1,200 but did ask for reimbursement for the sidewalks and a contribution for moving the power pole approximately 20 feet, which is about \$15,000, because the TFD's building site is considered residential. Mr. Hayden is to bring a more substantial estimate for the project to the next meeting.

Mr. Battaglia advised the Board he to Ray Eckstein to request a variance for an 8x8 porch deck with stairs and rails. Following discussion, the Board decided that requesting a variance hearing was the correct way to resolve the issue. Mr. Battaglia will inform Mr. Eckstein.

Mr. Battaglia also asked for clarification on an application for a pad to be poured to allow a boat to be parked at 215 Campbell Street to park a boat. Mr. Perry advised the Board that it would be only overnight parking because the resident stores the boat elsewhere. The Board decided the resident needed to request a variance hearing. It was reported that a draft of the Kinderwood covenants was read and it does not allow recreational vehicles to be parked for extended periods of time. However, it is believed that the covenants are not yet adopted.

**Minutes:**

Trustee Perry made a motion, seconded by Trustee Erwin to approve the minutes of the September 16 and 29, 2014 meeting as presented. Motion passed.

**Old Business:**

There was nothing to report on the status of letters sent to homeowners or the purchase of a camera for the office. Mr. Golish will, however, have someone or something for the next Board meeting concerning the camera.

Mr. Golish informed the Board that he spoke with Gary LaForge, the Public Works Director of Mahomet. Mr. Golish said Mahomet uses three trailer vacuums with two trucks and five personnel working three days out of five during the peak season, which is about 30 hours per week – ten weeks total for the year. He also said that Mahomet’s collection increased from 3,000 cubic to 3,800 cubic yards in a year. Mr. Kingston advised the Board that the City of Champaign is cutting out their contractors and going to use the City’s personnel. Mr. Golish suggested a two-year phase out program with a total ban on leaf burning at the end of the two years. Mr. Plackett feels the State should be the one to govern leaf burning and Mr. Golish said they were not so it was up to the Village. Mr. Plackett made a motion to do nothing at this time; the motion failed for lack of a second. Mr. Perry made a motion; edited by Mr. Golish, seconded by Trustee Hewing to restrict leaf burning on Wednesdays and Saturdays at specified times towards an eventual ban in two years. Mr. Kingston said he is against restricting leaf burning because there appears to be more residents that burn than those that object. Motion carried by a four to two vote; Mr. Kingston and Mr. Plackett opposed the restriction. Mr. Miller will prepare a couple of options for the Board to review at the next meeting.

**New Business:**

Mr. Golish made a motion, seconded by Mr. Perry, to approve the following sewer credits:

\$ 75.58	Kelly Daugherty – 703 E Boone
54.62	Joshua Mikeworth – 602 E Maple
37.95	Matt Talbott – 9 N Bourne
<u>21.67</u>	Jamie Henkelman – 401 S Calhoun
\$189.82	

A roll call vote was taken and the following votes were cast passing the motion:

Beth Erwin – Yes	Mike Golish – Yes	Beth Hewing – Yes
Greg Kingston – Yes	Ryan Perry – Yes	Kent Plackett – Yes

Mr. Golish made a motion, seconded by Ms. Hewing, to authorize the merging of the two MFT accounts if the bank is unwilling to waive the current monthly fees. A roll call vote was taken and the following votes were cast passing the motion:

Beth Erwin – Yes	Mike Golish – Yes	Beth Hewing – Yes
Greg Kingston – Yes	Ryan Perry – Yes	Kent Plackett – Yes

Trustee Hewing made a motion, seconded by Mr. Plackett to approve the findings of the Planning Commission and waive the Village’s extraterritorial jurisdiction as it pertains to the proposed division of the 1.26 acre tract by Illinois Electric Cooperative for the south side of 700 North Road approximately 1,000 feet West of 1000 East Road in the NE1/4 of the NE1/4 of Section 34, Township 18 North, Range 8 East of the Third Principal Meridian. The Board President is directed to send the county a letter as recommended by the Planning Commission. Motion passed.

Randy Grace of the Tolono Park District explained the reasoning for wanting aprons at the East Side Park on Walnut Street. The Board will consider the request in next year's sidewalk project.

Mr. Golish explained that the purchase of a Total Pitcher machine would pay for itself fairly quickly by the Village doing its own sealing of cracks in the roads. The cost would be approximately \$60,000 with a five-year payment plan making annual payments at 3.999%. Mr. Johnson advised the Board that MFT monies could not be used for a capital investment but maintenance of the equipment could be used. Mr. Johnson will orchestrate a visit to see how it works and Messrs. Golish and Perry will go view the operation of the machine, including the attachment for filling smaller cracks.

Mr. Kingston said a Treasurer needs to be hired, as well as someone to assist the front office either on a part-time or a full time basis. No discussion was held.

**Pay Bills** – No bills were presented; all paid at the September 29, 2014 special meeting.

**Executive Session:**

Trustee Perry made a motion, seconded by Trustee Golish to enter into Executive Session at 8:24 p.m. A roll call vote was taken and the following votes were cast passing the motion:

Beth Erwin – Yes	Mike Golish – Yes	Beth Hewing – Yes
Greg Kingston – Yes	Ryan Perry – Yes	Kent Plackett – Yes

Trustee Golish made a motion, seconded by Trustee Perry to return to open Session at 9:01 p.m. A roll call vote was taken and the following votes were cast passing the motion:

Beth Erwin – Yes	Mike Golish – Yes	Beth Hewing – Yes
Greg Kingston – Yes	Ryan Perry – Yes	Kent Plackett – Yes

There being no further business to discuss, Trustee Plackett made a motion, seconded by Trustee Golish to adjourn the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 9:06 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Dixie L. Phillips, Clerk