

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
VILLAGE OF TOLONO BOARD OF TRUSTEES
February 3, 2015**

A meeting of the Village of Tolono Board of Trustees (“Board”) was held on Tuesday, February 3, 2015. Trustees present: Beth Erwin, Beth Hewing, Greg Kingston, and Ryan Perry; Trustees Mike Golish and Kent Plackett were absent. Others present were Building Official Tony Battaglia, Gwen Crawford and Tom Jacobs, TIF representatives from The Economic Development Group, Ltd. /Jacob & Klein, Mayor Jeff Holt, Engineer Larry Johnson, Attorney Marc Miller, and Clerk Dixie Phillips.

The meeting was called to order at 6:35 p.m. by Mayor Holt and Clerk Phillips took roll call. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Public Comments:

Jim Maxwell asked the Board what procedures needed to be taken for a member of his family to build a house outside the Village limits but within Tolono Township. Mayor Holt advised him that he would contact Frank Norton and get back to Mr. Maxwell.

Public Works Department - No report

Reports:

Mr. Johnson advised the Board meetings concerning replacing the bridge on 800 N was on-going and possible partial funding may be coming from various entities, at least from the Champaign County Board. He also stated that because of all the necessary agreements and completion of funding that the project will be not be starting until possibly Spring or Summer of 2015. Mr. Johnson also stated that he was doing the necessary paperwork and documentation to see if MFT funds would be available.

Trustee Perry made a motion, seconded by Trustee Erwin to authorize the Village Board President to sign the Preliminary/Construction Engineering Services Agreement for Motor Fuel Tax funds related to replacing the bridge at 800 North. A roll call vote was taken and the following votes were cast passing the motion:

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

Trustee Perry made a motion, seconded by Trustee Erwin to adopt Ordinance No. 2015-01 entitled Ordinance Approving Variance for 315 N Vorcey Street. A roll call vote was taken and the following votes were cast passing the motion:

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

Trustee Perry made a motion to waive the variance fee for 315 N Vorcey but, because of a lack of a second, the motion failed. Mayor Holt expressed his disappointment in the Board because other fees had been waived in the past and said he would pay the \$300 fee.

Trustee Perry stated that something had to be done with the Zoning Ordinance to keep the Board from continually hashing over the same thing that could have or would have been taken care of before it got to the Board. Mr. Battaglia stated that once a Zoning Board of Appeal is appointed that would alleviate a lot of the Board's decision-making concerning zoning issues.

Mr. Johnson reported that Phase 2 of the North Calhoun Street Storm Sewer Project was ready for bidding and asked if Phase 3 was to be added at this time because of prior conversations it had been decided it would be all done at the same time if funds were available.

Mr. Jacobs and Ms. Crawford presented the 2016 General Obligation Debt Certificates report to the Board concerning North Calhoun St. Storm Sewer Project. No ordinances were passed and will be reviewed and decided at the next meeting of the Board on February 17, 2015. Trustee Erwin made a motion, seconded by Trustee Perry to continue consideration of Items 1-6 of VII Reports on the Village agenda to the next regular meeting. A roll call vote was taken and the following votes were cast passing the motion:

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

Rob Murphy presented his case, with drawings and documentation, for a Provision Use Application for an accessory apartment at his residence. Neighbors were present to support Mr. Murphy's request. Following much discussion from all parties, including asking that the permit fee be waived since this was the third permit to be issued, Trustee Perry made a motion, seconded by Trustee Hewing to continue the public hearing on a provisional use permit for 401 Pamela Drive until 6:30 p.m. on February 17, 2015. A roll call vote was taken and the following votes were cast passing the motion:

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

Mr. Battaglia submitted the actual variance application for 315 N Vorcey for the uncovered entry deck and recommended the variance. Mr. Perry made a motion to adopt Ordinance No. 2015-01 entitled Ordinance Approving Variance for 315 N Vorcey. A roll call vote was taken and the following votes were cast passing the motion:

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

Mr. Ryan then made a motion to waive the variance fee; motion failed for lack of a second. Mayor Holt said he felt it was wrong for them not to waive the fee since other fees had been waived in the past.

Mr. Ryan then stated he felt that the zoning ordinance needed to have some things upgraded in it because the Board spends too much time hashing over items that could or should have been taken care much sooner that the Board makes a decision. Mr. Battaglia advised the Board that the Zoning Board of Appeals would relieve the Board of some of the decision they are now currently making in regards to zoning issues.

Approval of Minutes:

Trustee Erwin made a motion, seconded by Trustee Perry to approve the January 6, 2015 minutes as presented and to approve the January 20, 2015 minutes as corrected; motion carried.

Old Business:

Mayor Holt advised the Board that he had visited with a banker concerning the Treasurer's job but had not received a confirmation. All applicants will be reviewed and discussed in an Executive Session since it involves employment issues.

Trustee Ryan says the office does not need to purchase cameras because the Village does not seem to be able to manage the ones we have. Trustees Erwin and Hewing believe only one camera is needed. Trustee Kingston agreed with Trustee Ryan. Trustee Hewing made a motion, seconded by Trustee Erwin to purchase one camera for the front office. A roll call vote was taken and the following votes were cast causing the motion to fail for lack of majority members holding office voting yes.

Beth Erwin – Yes

Mike Golish – Absent

Beth Hewing – Yes

Greg Kingston – No

Ryan Perry – No

Kent Plackett – Absent

New Business:

There was no information on the salt storage facility.

Mayor Holt reported that the computer had been repaired.

Trustee Perry made a motion; seconded by Trustee Kingston to approve Ordinance No. 2015-02 entitled An Ordinance Abating a Tax Levy in Connection with the Issuance of Series 22012 Alternate Revenue Bonds Village of Tolono, Champaign County, Illinois. A roll call vote was taken and the following votes were cast passing the motion:

Beth Erwin – Yes

Mike Golish – Absent

Beth Hewing – Yes

Greg Kingston – Yes

Ryan Perry – Yes

Kent Plackett – Absent

Mr. Perry advised the Board that he had no figures for the purchase of a GPS system but stated the pros and cons of such, advising the Board that they would save money, help with maintenance problems, and answer questions from residents that ask what the maintenance department does. Trustee Perry will bring figures and the matter will be discussed at the next Board meeting.

Trustee Erwin asked about rocking the Village driveway and Mayor Holt said that Mike Woodworth had drug it and put rock in it last week. Mayor Holt will visit with Mr. Woodworth about it again. Trustee Perry asked if there could be a drain put in to help with the water and the topic will be brought up to Larry Johnson, one of the Village engineers.

Pay Bills:

Trustee Perry made a motion, seconded by Trustee Hewing to pay the bills, contingent upon the Clerk finding out the reason for the \$800 "ask Julie" bill and the \$8,500 bill to the Tolono Fires District. Clerk

Phillips will send an e-mail to all Board members advising them of the reasons. A roll call vote was taken and the following votes were cast passing the motion:

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

Executive Session:

At 9:15 p.m. Trustee Perry made a motion, seconded by Trustee Erwin to enter into Executive Session for the limited purposes of discussing the performance, compensation and/or employment of one or more Village employees. A roll call vote was taken and the following votes were cast passing the motion:

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

At 10:07 p.m. Trustee Perry made a motion, seconded by Trustee Erwin to leave Executive Session and return to Regular Session. A roll call vote was taken and the following votes were cast passing the motion:

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

There being no further business to discuss, Trustee Perry made a motion, seconded by Trustee Erwin to adjourn the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 10:09 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Dixie L. Phillips, Clerk