

**Village Board Minutes**  
**Village of Onarga, Regular Board of Trustees Meeting**  
**Monday, January 8, 2018**

1. Call to order at 7:00 p.m.

Clark called the meeting to order at 7:00pm.

2. Roll Call

Shane Cultra, Village President, absent; Fred Walraven, Trustee; Andy McCann, Trustee, absent; Angie Martinez, Trustee; Matt Clark, Trustee; Holly Zirkle, Trustee; Claudia Ramirez, Trustee; Stephanie VonDrehle, Village Clerk; Tommy Davis, Village Treasurer; Tim Hamilton, Village Supervisor, Stephanie Wilson, Park Coordinator; Doug Brenner, Police Chief; Lyle Behrends; Gene May; John Elliot, Gilman Star; and Wendy Davis, Times Republic.

3. Review and approval of minutes of the Village Board Meeting Minutes of Monday, December 11, 2017.

Walraven moved to accept the meeting minutes of Monday, December 11, 2017 as presented. Ramirez seconded the motion. The motion carried.

4. Review and approval of treasurer's report

Ramirez asked if all negative balances had been satisfied. Clark and Davis stated all adjustments were made to correct the negative balances as of 4/30/2017 fiscal year.

Zirkle moved to accept the treasurer's report as presented. Ramirez seconded the motion. The motion carried.

5. Review and approval of bills to be paid

Davis stated that there was an outstanding bill for MFT/Tar and chipping in the amount of \$6,367.47 that was not included in the total disbursements for check detail 12/12/2017-1/8/2018. This check will be added to the total disbursements of \$65,066.59, making the grand total of disbursements to be \$71,434.06.

Walraven informed the board that the Firemen Trustees were willing to pay \$8,000, for the repairs the Village had made to the Fire Station.

Walraven motioned to approve the bills as presented in the amount of \$71,434.06. Martinez seconded the motion. The motion carried.

1. Public comment

Walraven moved to open public comment. Martinez seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Lyle Behrends inquired on the progress of the demolition of 131 N. Chestnut property, which is located next to his business. Clark stated at this time nothing is being completed due to the weather, but recommended Behrends speak with the mayor on this.

Gene May spoke on behalf of Central Illinois Disposal asking the Village if it was okay to change their regular scheduled recycling day from the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of each month to the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday instead. The board did not believe this would be an issue and May said he would inform the town and put up the new schedule in prominent business's in town.

2. Review of correspondence to the board

There was no correspondence to the Board.

3. Standing Committee reports

8.1 Infrastructure (Andy McCann, Holly Zirkle, and Claudia Ramirez)

McCann was absent from meeting and Hamilton was working on a water main break, therefore there was nothing discussed for infrastructure.

8.1.1 There was nothing new currently for Flooding Relief.

8.1.2 There was nothing new currently on Evergreen Street Project.

8.1.3 There was nothing new currently on the Evergreen Seminary Drainage.

8.2 Safety, Security & Enforcement (Matt Clark, Fred Walraven, and Angie Martinez)

8.2.1 Brenner informed the Board the computer the Police have is out of date and needs replaced. Brenner found a computer in the amount of \$1400, the software he will need is \$1800 which has an annual renewal fee after the first year in the amount of \$350.

Ramirez motioned to approve the spending of \$3200 for a new computer and software for the police station. Martinez seconded the motion. The motion carried.

8.2.2 Brenner informed the Board Kyle Boudreau has finished school and been working on this own for the police. Upon completion of school Boudreau was promised a \$1.00 raise. Boudreau will now be making \$16.00 per hour.

Walraven motioned to approve the \$1.00 raise effective as of December 31<sup>st</sup> for Kyle Boudreau. Zirkle seconded the motion. The motion carried.

8.3 Parks and Recreation (Andy McCann, Holly Zirkle, and Angie Martinez)

Wilson informed the Board she did find a memorial for Steve Brantley; however it is \$15 more than the original \$175, that was approved to spend.

Ramirez motioned to approve the spending of \$190 for the Steve Brantley memorial. Martinez seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Wilson also informed the Board that the tentative date for Longaberger Basket Bingo is April 22<sup>nd</sup>.

8.4 Finance (Matt Clark, Fred Walraven, and Claudia Ramirez)

8.5 Local and Intergovernmental Communications (Angie Martinez, Andy McCann, and Holly Zirkle)

8.5.1 There was nothing new currently for the Onarga Digital Sign

8.6 Building Standards (Matt Clark, Fred Walraven, and Claudia Ramirez)

8.6.1 Clark stated that the demolition of 117 N. Chestnut was in process however the weather had put a hold on this.

8.6.2 Clark stated the 131 N. Chestnut demolition will be completed after winter.

8.7 TIF Committee (Matt Clark, Angie Martinez, and Andy McCann)

Clark stated there will be a meeting in January, he will make everyone aware of when this is.

8.8 Litigation Committee (Shane Cultra, Matt Clark, and Mike Tilstra)

Clark stated he has not been able to get a hold of anyone about the litigation but will continue to try.

9. Public comment

Ramirez moved to open public comment. Martinez seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Dana Tilstra spoke to the Board on the fact that Wilson Street was not plowed until January 8<sup>th</sup> and does not know why this took so long to get plowed. Tilstra also stated there is a sign down on Hickory that has been down for a year and has not been replaced. Tilstra asked the Board if they could speak with Central Illinois Disposal and them emptying the dumpsters at 4:30-5:00am, why it needs to be completed at this time. Clark stated he will speak with Hamilton on the plowing of roads, the road sign on Hickory, and will speak with Gene May of Central Illinois Disposal, to see if the time can be changed. Clark will then inform Tilstra on what he finds out.

10. Old business

11. New business

12. Executive session (if needed) for any lawful purpose including but not limited to: Appointment, employment, discipline, performance or dismissal of specific employees; Salary schedules for one or more employees; Selection of person to fill a public office or discipline, performance or removal of the occupant of a public office; Purchase or lease of real property or setting of a price for sale or lease of village property; Litigation, pending or probable.

13. Possible action on any executive session item

14. Adjournment

Zirkle moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:35pm. Walraven seconded the motion. The motion carried.