

VILLAGE OF ST. JOSEPH  
BOARD MEETING  
JUNE 28, 2016

Mayor Hackler called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was said by all present.

Roll call was taken.	Hackler	Present
	Rigdon	Present
	Ghera	Present
	McCarty	Present
	Fruhling-Voges	Present
	Rapp	Present
	Silver	Present

Others in attendance: Tiffany McElroy-Smetzer, Village Clerk; Mike Peters, Village Maintenance Superintendent; Julie Hendrickson, Village Office Manager; Susan Monte, Champaign County Regional Planning Commission; and Nora Maberry-Daniels, The Leader;

**MINUTES:** The minutes of June 14, 2016 Village Board Meetings were approved as presented.

**MAYOR'S DESK:** Hackler noted that he had spoken with Jamie Vermillion from Champaign regarding the Illinois American Water rate hike. The Commerce Commission had the issue on the docket for today. The IL Attorney General's Office and Citizens Utility Board are intervening in the issue.

Hackler discussed the uncertainties of the State budget and the distribution and percentages of municipal funds to municipalities. He suggested that due to these issues that the Village hold onto the balances in their account for the present versus doing large infrastructure projects. Discussion took place amongst the Board and agreed with that idea.

Hackler reported that Trustee Aric Silver had submitted his letter of resignation effective at the close of the Board meeting tonight. Silver is leaving the Board due to moving from the Village. The Board expressed their thanks and appreciation for his service.

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**BILLS:** Rigdon motioned and McCarty seconded to pay the bills as presented. Roll call vote was taken: Rigdon – Aye, Gherna – Aye, McCarty – Aye, and Fruhling-Voges – Aye, Rapp – Aye, and Silver – Aye. Motion passed 6-0.

**FINANCE:** Fruhling-Voges reported that the Board would hold off approving the revision for the employee handbook. There needs to be a final review. The Prevailing Wage is on hold due to the State not enacting one.

Fruhling-Voges reported that the sale of the property on Meadow Street is in process.

**SANITARY SEWER:** Rigdon reported that the lift station motor is now working.

**PARKS & RECREATION:** Silver reported that Peters has ordered nets for the ball fields. Fencing for the baseball field will be discussed at the next meeting.

**PUBLIC HEALTH & SAFETY:** Rapp reported that he had received the numbers for the animals picked up by Animal Control in 2015. There were 2 dogs and 4 cats. Discussion took place again regarding the cost of this service versus the benefits. This issue will continue to be looked into.

**BUILDINGS & GROUNDS:** Nothing to report.

**STREETS & ALLEYS:** Nothing to report.

**OTHER:** Fruhling-Voges brought up the issue regarding the High School purchasing the lots on North Main Street. Currently one of the lots is a gravel parking lot. Fruhling-Voges reported that she would not like to see that for all the properties on North Main Street to be gravel parking lots. Main Street is the main entrance into the Village and she would not like it to be a parking lot without mitigating the effect.

**ZONING ORDINANCE WORK UPDATE:** Monte reported that the process was 1 month behind at this time. The new timeline is July 26<sup>th</sup>

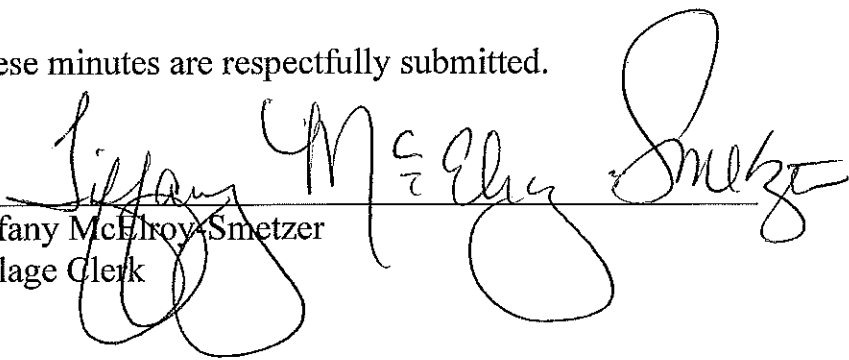
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for the presentation and August 9<sup>th</sup> for questions. The Board agreed with this timetable.

Hackler also noted that the High School would like to talk to the Board about the property on Orchard Street.

At 7:36, Fruhling-Voges motioned and Gherna seconded to adjourn the meeting.

These minutes are respectfully submitted.



Tiffany McElroy Smetzer  
Village Clerk