

Village of Homer
Regular Meeting of Trustees
March 11, 2019
7:00pm

Those present: Village Trustees; Kevin Knott, Guy James, Joe Bear, and Zach Wells, not present, Charles Montgomery, and Mike Johnson, also present: Village Board President/Mayor, Raymond Cunningham, Village Clerk, Sharon Jeffers, Chief of Police, John Rouse, Maintenance, Ryan Byerley, and Dale Katterhenry, Water, Ed Shirley, Sewer/Zoning, Dave Hermes, Laura Harris and Aaron Sutton from Busey Bank, and residents, Jim White, Herb Lacey, and Billy Mitchell.

Busey Bank presentation: The Village received to pay outs in 2018, in the amounts of \$35,500 and \$90,500. The payout for 2019 will be \$122,850.00 to be distributed quarterly and one in Feb of 2020. The funds are invested 60% in stocks, and 40% in bonds. A packet was distributed to the board for their review of all investments and history of investments.

Minutes: Joe Bear made the motion to approve Regular, Budget, Cemetery, and Personnel meeting minutes as presented, Kevin Knott second the motion, all in favor, motion approved.

GAR Cemetery: The Legion has used the Altorfer credit that had been offered to us if we needed it. The board agrees that we had no legal rights to the credit but would like to clarify with Altofer that the GAR Cemetery account with them has no ties to the Village.

Kevin Knott made the motion to clarify with Altorfer that the Account named GAR Cemetery has no ties with the Village of Homer, Zach Wells second the motion, roll call vote: Joe Bear, yes, Guy James, yes, Kevin Knott, yes, and Zach Wells, yes, motion approved.

Village Bills: Guy James made the motion to pay Village Bills as presented, which includes a donation to Regional Planning in the amount of \$175 for County wide electronics recycling program, Joe Bear second the motion, rollcall vote: Joe Bear, yes, Guy James, yes, Kevin Knott, yes, and Zach Wells, yes, motion approved.

Reports: Kevin Knott made the motion to approve Treasurers, Water, Police, Maintenance, Sewer, Zoning, and Village Hall reports as presented, Zach Wells second the motion, all in favor, motion approved.

- Looking for a water leak somewhere in the Village
- New pump has been installed at the water plant
- Rent a stump grinder
- Rent a pull behind aerator for \$155 a week
- Garbage Dumpster at Maintenance Building discuss at budget and contact other haulers
- Dale Katterhenry will take off 4 weeks at the end of April and first of May
- Tree on S Church St at house that burned is on Village easement, it will be ok for the owner to cut it down.
- Circulating pump in Village Hall needs replaced

Downtown Engineering: Kevin Knott made the motion to use Farnsworth Engineering for downtown engineering at \$8,600,00, Zach Wells second the motion, roll call vote: Joe Bear, yes, Guy James, yes, Kevin Knott, yes, and Zach Wells, yes, motion approved.

North Drainage: Get new bids for North end only of north drainage for budget.

TIF Applications: Kevin Knott made the motion to approve Intergovernmental TIF applications for South Homer Township, Heritage School, and Homer Fire Protection District, Zach Wells second the motion, roll call vote: Joe Bear, yes, Guy James, recuse, Kevin Knott, yes, Zach Wells, yes, and Raymond Cunningham, yes, motion approved.

Need to schedule TIF Committee meeting to discuss other TIF applications.

Maintenance: Zach Wells made the motion to purchase Sawzall, and Cut off saw in the amount of \$679.00, and to purchase another set of lights for the Maintenance building in the amount of \$159 out of TIF and to reimburse the first set from TIF, Kevin Knott second the motion, roll call vote: Joe Bear, yes, Guy James, yes, Kevin Knott, yes, and Zach Wells, yes, motion approved.

Water/Sewer rates: Kevin Knott made the motion to authorize Clerk to have Lawyer write new ordinance raising water rate minimum to \$17.50 and per thousand to \$8.50, and raise sewer rate minimum to \$39.00 and per thousand to \$7.00, and approve rate increase letter for mailing to residents, Joe Bear second the motion, roll call vote: Joe Bear, yes, Guy James, yes, Kevin Knott, yes, and Zach Wells, yes, motion approved.

Adjourn: Zach Wells made the motion to adjourn, Joe Bear second the motion, all in favor, motion approved. Adjourn 8:30pm

Posted: Sharon Jeffers, Village Clerk

Village of Homer
Budget Meeting
March 18, 2019
6:00pm

Those Present: Village Trustees: Joe Bear, Mike Johnson, Guy James, Zach Wells, and Kevin Knott, Village Mayor/Board President, Raymond Cunningham, Village Clerk, Sharon Jeffers, Treasurer, Cindy Pruitt, and Jim White.

GAR Cemetery Budget, was reviewed and accepted as presented by Cemetery Board. Equipment will be paid through money borrowed from General Fund.

ESDA Budget was reviewed and accepted as presented by ESDA. Siren Maintenance was raised to \$3,000 because \$2,000 has already been appropriated for this year's repairs.

General Fund Budget:

Drop Operations Salary to \$75,000, and Janitors to \$3,000, all other salaries pending on personnel recommendations.
Grant writer dropped to \$2,500
Health Insurance raised to \$35,000
FCIA Payroll dropped to \$9,500
Community Center Improvements raised to \$70,000, to cover parking lot resurface, drainage, and concrete for new pavilion.
Garbage raised to \$2,500
Village Hall repairs and Maintenance raised to \$2,500
Equipment repairs raised to \$5,000
Maintenance Building raised to \$2,000
Remove line item Streets and Alleys
Tree removal dropped to \$10,000
Remove line item Landscaping
Drop Storm sewer/drainage to \$4,000
Janitorial supplies raised to \$1,000
Maintenance tools dropped to \$5,000
Attorney fees dropped to \$7,000
Telephone raised to \$3,000
Remove travel line item
Utilities raised to \$11,000
CC utilities raised to \$14,000
Siren utilities raised to \$1,700
Internet raised to \$1,500
Insurance Workmans comp raised to \$12,000
Office Supplies raised to \$3,000
Office Equipment lowered to \$1,500
Equipment lowered to \$5,000
Transfer to other funds \$305,000

Kevin Knott made the motion to adjourn, Mike Johnson second the motion, all in favor, motion approved.

Adjourn: 7:09pm

Posted: Sharon Jeffers, Village Clerk

Homer Village Hall
500 E. Second Street
Homer, Illinois

Personnel Committee Meeting
April 5, 2019

Attending: Zach Wells, Guy James, Charles Montgomery, Joe Bear, Ray Cunningham

Meeting called to order 5:32 pm.

Salary increases were discussed for each position and the committee decided to recommend the following:

Police: John Rouse raised from \$25.50 to \$26.25. Rodney and Jeff raised from \$16.50 to \$17.50. Other part-time officers raised from \$16.50 to \$17.

Village Clerk: Increase from \$31,549 to \$32,500 annually

Janitor: Raise from \$10 to \$10.50

Treasurer: Increase from \$8,399.88 to \$8651.88

Sewer Department - Raise from \$26.25 to \$26.75

Maintenance Department - As the Maintenance Supervisor was hired in July we are deferring his raise to July. The part time maintenance person will be raised to \$15.

Zach and Ray will meet with Ryan on Monday morning.

Summer help - we should hire one to two people. We recommend advertising now for May interviews.

Meeting adjourned at 6:35 pm.

Cemetery Board
March 26, 2019
9:00am

Those Present: Cemetery Board members, Joe Bear, Guy James, and Ray Cunningham, not present, Billy Mitchell, Larry Anders, and Sharon Jeffers. Also present, George Heppe.

George Heppe presented some ideas for the Cemetery.

Cemetery Clean up will be Saturday April 13th at 9:00am. Sticks and limbs will be put on truck to be burnt, flowers and plastic will be taken to dumpster.

Village Maintenance will put some rock between block 27 and 28 south of block 28 and 29, between block 29 and 30, 12 and 13, south of block 30 and 31, between block 13 and 30 (14 and 31) and east of block 31.

Meeting adjourn, 10:10 am

Minutes taken by Joe Bear, posted by Sharon Jeffers, Village Clerk

Village of Homer

500 East Second Street Homer Illinois

Monday April 1, 2019

TIF Committee Meeting

Attending: Kevin Knott, Charles Montgomery, Ray Cunningham

Meeting called to order at 5:35 pm.

The committee reviewed the two TIF application submitted to the village.

The first was from Cross Trail Outfitters requesting \$150,000. This was rejected in favor of recommending a smaller targeted approach for the project.

Daniel Low submitted a request for signage for Axis Rentals for new signage costing \$1399.38. The committee recommended that this be brought to the board and approved.

The meeting adjourned at 6:05 pm.

HOMER COMMUNITY LIBRARY BOARD MEETING MINUTES FOR JANUARY 8, 2019.

Sara called the meeting to order at 7:09 p.m.

Cindy Happ discussed Friends of the Library needing to be a 501c3 for fundraising. Friends of the Library could also help with fundraising, calendar, business directory, and Danville Garden flower sales.

Angie read the Secretary's Report from December.

Becky gave the Treasurer's Report.

Bills: 1) Mary Kay moved and Becky seconded we pay Baker and Taylor \$165.22 for inventory. Motion carried. 2) Becky moved and Mary Kay seconded we pay the Addison Public Library \$16.99 for a damaged interlibrary loan book. Motion carried. The patron did reimburse us for the cost. 3) Becci moved and Mary Kay seconded we pay Visa Debit charges \$232.12. Motion carried. Note: State of Illinois was paid \$70.68. Practical Homeschooling magazine was purchased for \$25.00 from Homelife Inc.

Christine read the Librarian's Report.

Sara will get in touch with Brian concerning the event banners.

Football Trivia night will be held January 25 if Christine can put it together.

Mary Kay checked in to the price of a placard for Carl Goad. Becky moved and Mary Kay seconded we purchase the placard up to \$225.00. Motion carried.

We will table the replacement of a new trustee.

Becky moved and Mary Kay seconded we adopt the policies as presented. Motion carried.

Becky moved and Mary Kay seconded we amend salary policies for substitutes to be paid at least minimum wage. Motion carried.

Blind Date with a Book will take place early February. Christine will need help selecting and wrapping books for the event.

Christine gave everyone a copy of Investment of Public Funds to review.

Becky moved and Mary Kay seconded we adjourn. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned 8:07 p.m.

Vice President Marla Wienke

HOMER COMMUNITY LIBRARY BOARD MEETING MINUTES FOR FEBRUARY 12, 2019

Those present: Sara Essig, Jane Clark, Becci Powers, Ariel Wells, Director Christine Cunningham, and Assistant Librarian Angela Ray.

Absent: Marla Wienke, Mary Kay Anderson

Sara called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

There were no guests.

Public comment: Cindy Happ and the founders of Friends of the Library have met and organized the by laws. The first official meeting of Friends of the Library is scheduled for February 21, 2019. They will swear in officers. Their April meeting will plan for membership.

There was no Secretary's report.

Becci gave the Treasurer's report.

Bills: 1) Ariel moved and Jane seconded we pay Visa debit charges of \$87.31. Motion carried. 2) Ariel moved and Becci seconded we pay Baker and Taylor \$232.53. Motion carried. 3) Becci moved and Ariel seconded we pay Demco \$119.68 for office supplies. Motion carried. Note: State of Illinois was paid \$64.17. State Employment Security was paid \$28.77. US Treasury was paid \$1,118.69 and Puzy and Wright were paid \$325.00.

Christine reported the Village approved us putting the Free Lending Library over by the new playground at the Community Building. We will pay for installation. Christine is a Notary available during library hours. She has also joined the Association of Small and Rural Libraries.(ARSL).

We discussed the Library budget.

Becci moved we adjourn. Ariel seconded.

Meeting adjourned 8:25 p.m.

Secretary, Jane Clark