

**Minutes**  
**BOARD MEETING**  
**Monday April 19th, 2021, 6:00 P.M.**  
**VILLAGE OF PORT BYRON IL**  
Meeting Conducted Via Zoom

The Village Board Meeting was called to order by Mayor Bruce Peterson at 6:01 p.m. on Monday, April 19th, 2021. Via Zoom meeting/Trustees present

**ROLL CALL / ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM / PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**Roll Call #1: Present: Trustees Stacey Getting, Gerry Meade, Bo Mathis, Patty Lindley, Brian Bitler**

**Absent: Oney**

**Also Present: Sarah Gorham, Attorney; Kristie Guardia, Deputy Clerk, Laura Johnson, Utility Clerk, Eric Sikkema, Public Works**

**GALLERY**

Lou Dilauro, Jeanine Ingalls, Sarah Ford

**Mayor Comments**

Mayor Peterson welcomed Jesse Clark.

**Gallery Comments**

No gallery comments.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**A. PUBLIC INFORMATION/FINANCE COMMITTEES**

**1. VILLAGE FINANCE WAYNE ONEY**

Nothing to Report

**2. TIF BRUCE PETERSON**

Mayor Bruce Peterson stated nothing to report.

**3. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PATTY LINDLEY**

Working on Baby Blues Fest, Farmers Market starting May 16<sup>th</sup> 9 am to noon

**4. IRDC COMMITTEE/MSA WAYNE ONEY/JARED FLUHR**

**a. IL 84 Sidewalk CRS Amendment #1**

Jared stated that there will be a Pre-Construction meeting April 29<sup>th</sup>. A Utility meeting will be scheduled at a later date. Jared stated he hoped that the work would be completed by Thanksgiving.

Jared explained the Sidewalk Amendment was for storm drain specs that the state required that MSA was un aware of at beginning of project. Amount was originally \$63,000. After meeting with members of the Village, MSA has come to an amount of \$30,000 for the Village to pay.

Trustee Mathis made a motion to approve Il 84 Sidewalk CRS Amendment #1 for \$30,000.00, Seconded by Trustee Getting

Roll Call #2: Ayes: Meade, Getting, Mathis, Lindley, Bitler

Nays: None

Absent: Oney

Mayor Peterson declared the motion passed.

b. IEPA's Unsewered Communities Planning Grant Program – MSA Task Order for Preliminary Engineering Report

Jared spoke on the \$19,000 grant we received. N River Drive and N Shore Drive are the primary focus areas. This task order is completely covered by this grant.

Trustee Meade made a motion to approve the Task Order for Preliminary Engineering Project for \$19,000.00, Seconded by Trustee Mathis

Roll Call #3: Ayes: Meade, Getting, Mathis, Lindley, Bitler

Nays: None

Absent: Oney

Mayor Peterson declared the motion passed.

**5. PLANNING/ZONING COMMITTEE GERRY MEADE**

Gerry Meade discussed that they had our meeting April 18, 2021. Hoped to be discussing updating the comprehensive plan. Bi State has not given us the information to discuss.

**6. ORDINANCE, GRANTS & AUDITS PATTY LINDLEY**

Nothing to report at this time.

**7. PERSONNEL BRIAN BITLER/BRUCE PETERSON**

Nothing to report at this time.

**8. TUG FEST**

Mayor Peterson discussed they are moving forward with Tug Fest. Trustee Bitler stated he had concerns that Tug Fest gives money out to nonprofits, and should we be donating tax payer dollars if they are going to donate it. We pay for barricades, but he feels that we should not give away town money to be donated. Trustee Bitler stated he would address it at a future meeting. Mayor Peterson stated that the board has in the past requested a financial report and should also request a copy of the audit at the time of the request for donation to Tug Fest.

**B. PUBLIC WORKS DON LOY/ERIC SIKKEMA**

**1. PUBLIC WORKS (RECYCLING/REFUSE, BLDG. & GROUNDS/STREETS & STREET LIGHTS BRIAN BITLER/BO MATHIS**

**2. WATER/SEWER BRIAN BITLER**

a. Approval of MidAmerican bill from Nov 18, 2020 water main break for \$2998.23

Trustee Bitler made a motion to approve MidAmerican Energy Bill for \$2998.23, Seconded by Trustee Mathis

Roll Call #5: Ayes: Meade, Getting, Mathis, Lindley, Bitler

Nays: None

Absent: Oney

Mayor Peterson declared the motion passed

**3. CEMETERY GERRY MEADE**

Nothing to report at this time

4. **ADMINISTRATIVE BRUCE PETERSON**

a. Minutes from 040521 Board Meeting (C/A Item A)

Trustee Bitler made a motion to approve consent agenda including minutes from 040521 and RCPBFPD Report, Seconded by Trustee Lindley

Roll Call #6: Ayes: Meade, Getting, Mathis, Lindley, Bitler

Nays: None

Absent: Oney

Mayor Peterson declared the motion passed.

b. Approval of ORDINANCE M210419A Surplus of old Computer Towers that were replaced April 2020

Trustee Lindley made a motion to approve Ordinance M210419A Surplus of old Computer Towers, Seconded by Trustee Getting

Roll Call #5: Ayes: Meade, Getting, Mathis, Lindley, Bitler

Nays: None

Absent: Oney

Mayor Peterson declared the motion passed.

**REVIEW ITEMS ON CONSENT AGENDA**

<b>ITEM</b>	<b>Action</b>	<b>Description</b>
A	Approval	Minutes from 040521 Board Meeting
B	Receive	RCPBFPD Report for March 2021
C	Receive	
D	Receive	

**MOTION TO APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA**

**CORRESPONDENCE**

**OLD BUSINESS**

**NEW BUSINESS**

**GALLERY – QUESTIONS, COMMENTS**

Sarah Ford asked when the flag at the Memorial will be replaced. Trustee Mathis stated that we are waiting for the contractor that is bringing a bucket truck to allow it to be fixed.

**COMMENTS FROM THE MAYOR**

Mayor Peterson stated that the last 4 years have been challenging but rewarding. Peterson wanted to thank all the staff, volunteers, engineers, and the trustees for all their hard work. From the flood in 2018 to COVID in 2020 which brought on many challenges, we made it through. Property taxes have not been raised in 4 years. The harmony in the office is the best its been in years. He also stated that he hopes that everyone supports Barb Cray. He stated she is a professional and a nice person and he hopes everyone works with her. She will need all your support as the job of Mayor is quite challenging at times.

**ADJOURN**

Trustee Meade made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Trustee Mathis

Roll Call #7: Ayes: Meade, Getting, Mathis, Lindley, Bitler

Nays: None

Absent: Oney

Mayor Bruce Peterson declared the meeting adjourned at 6:49 p.m.

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Approval Date

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Mayor – Bruce Peterson

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Deputy Clerk – Laura Johnson