

**MINUTES**  
**BOARD MEETING**  
**September 21, 2015 – 6:00 P.M.**  
**VILLAGE OF PORT BYRON IL**

The second September Board Meeting was called to order with the Pledge of Allegiance by Mayor Kevin Klute, at 6:00 p.m. on Monday September 21<sup>st</sup>, 2015.

**CALL TO ORDER BY MAYOR KEVIN KLUTE**

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

(Any item on this agenda could result in possible action.)

**Roll Call #1: Present: Trustees Peterson, Meade, Bitler, Wells, Sullivan, Sidor**

**Absent: None**

**Mayor Kevin Klute declared a quorum to be present**

**Also Present: Jared Fluhr- MSA Manny Rivera-Rock Island County Sheriff**

**OFFICIAL BUSINESS**

NONE

**COMMENTS FROM THE MAYOR**

a. Tom Stocking-award

Tommy and his mother received a letter from RIM and the Illinois rural transit center, appreciating their work. These were read and Pat Fidler took some photos.

**GALLERY** (Comments must be limited to 5 minutes per person, 30 minutes per subject.)

Wanda Larson asked about the dirty streets, wondering if a cleaning was planned. Mayor Klute explained that we are working on this.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**A. PUBLIC INFORMATION/FINANCE COMMITTEES**

1. **Tug Fest Committee** **LIAISON CLINTON SULLIVAN**

NOTHING TO REPORT

2. **TIF** **TODD WIEBENGA**

NOTHING TO REPORT

3. **Village Finance Committee** **TRUSTEE SCOTT SIDOR**

NOTHING TO REPORT

4. **Economic Development** **TRUSTEE CLINTON SULLIVAN**

a. Choosing a Realtor for Old Academy site

**Trustee Peterson made motion to give Kevin and Clinton the authority to interview and hire a commercial realtor to list the Academy property, seconded by Trustee Sidor**

**RC #2: Ayes: Peterson, Sidor, Bitler, Meade, Wells, Sullivan**

**Nays: none**

**Absent: none**

**Mayor Klute declared the motion approved.**

There was some discussion as to the benefits/concerns of hiring a realtor, and the costs involved. It was decided that these concerns would be addressed during the interview process.

b. Approve Minutes from the Aug.10, 2015 Econ. Dev. Meeting (C/A Item B)

c. Website- property information

The available commercial properties are now being listed on the Village website. Mean Mel's and It's on the River are presently listed, the others will be posted once information is available. It is being discussed as to whether residential rental properties should also be listed, as the Village Hall gets several inquiries. Clerk Rozeboom will contact landlords in the near future to inquire if there is any interest in this option.

**5. Planning/Zoning Committee TRUSTEE GERRY MEADE**

a. Approve minutes from August 12, 2015 P&Z Meeting (C/A Item C)

There are 2 new homes under construction, as well as a lot of in ground swimming pools being put in.

**6. Ordinance, Grants & Audits TRUSTEE WES WELLS**

NOTHING TO REPORT

**7. Personnel TRUSTEE BRIAN BITLER**

NOTHING TO REPORT

**8. Public Health TRUSTEE BRUCE PETERSON**

NOTHING TO REPORT

**9. MSA**

a. Project Updates

Nothing new to report.

**10. IRDC Committee TRUSTEE WES WELLS**

a. Updates

The last meeting was lengthy, working out budgets for water and sewer long term.

b. Academy site

The tank should be removed in the near future. All should be cleaned up by early November.

c. Will 2 Ben T-Shirts (Bruce Peterson)

Bruce picked up a T-shirt while in Sparta Wisconsin, promoting the bike ride. He thought it would be a nice promotion for the Great River Trail, to have some shirts made up with Will B Rolling. Any profit will be used maintain the statue and flower beds along the bike trail.

**Trustee Sullivan made motion to approve spending up to \$800 from the promotional fund for the bike ride, to purchase 115 promotional shirts, contingent on first contacting the local vendor, RAD to see if they can match the current bid, seconded by Trustee Wells**

**RC #3: Ayes: Sullivan, Wells, Sidor, Bitler, Meade, Peterson,**

**Nays: none**

**Absent: none**

**Mayor Klute declared the motion approved.**

d. Great River Trail Website (Bruce Peterson)  
 Bruce received a request from Borderless, proposing a promotional website for the Great River Trail. They are looking for communities along the trail to contribute. They are asking for a onetime expense of \$500 for website development and 3 years of maintenance, which Bruce thought a little steep; he thought \$250 was more appropriate.

**Trustee Sidor made motion to approve the expenditure of \$250, from the Will B Rolling marketing budget, for a Great River Trail promotional website, seconded by Trustee Peterson**

**RC #4: Ayes: Sidor, Peterson, Bitler, Meade, Wells, Sullivan**

**Nays: none**

**Absent: none**

**Mayor Klute declared the motion approved.**

**B. PUBLIC WORKS DON LOY**

Well #4 replaced, Well #5 repaired...at a cost of \$25,000. They ordered a new pump and all is well within the budget approved.

**1. Recycling and Refuse TRUSTEE BRUCE PETERSON**

Rock Island County Waste Management is having a drug drop off, where residents can dispose of old medications, so to keep them out of the water systems. This will be held at Milan Municipal Center and Silvis Police Dept. on September 26<sup>th</sup> 10 AM-2PM.

Port Byron curbside Bulk Pickup is October 3

**2. Water/Sewer TRUSTEE WES WELLS**

- a. Well Problems-update  
 Already covered

**3. Buildings & Grounds/Streets & Street Lights TRUSTEE BRIAN BITLER**

The electronic sign is only working on one side. This is being addressed, and should be repaired soon.

**4. Cemetery TRUSTEE GERRY MEADE**

They are still looking for 2 members

**5. Administrative MAYOR KLUTE**

- a. Minutes from the September 8<sup>th</sup> Board Meeting (C/A Item A)

**REVIEW ITEMS ON CONSENT AGENDA**

ITEM	Action	Description
A	Approve	Minutes from the September 8 <sup>th</sup> , 2015 Board Meeting
B	Receive	Minutes from the August 10, 2015 Economic Dev. Meeting
C	Receive	Minutes from August 12, 2015 P&Z Meeting

**MOTION TO APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA**

**Trustee Sullivan made motion to approve the Consent Agenda, seconded by Trustee Meade**

**RC #5: Ayes: Sullivan, Meade, Bitler, Sidor, Wells, Peterson,**

**Nays: none**

**Absent: none**

**Mayor Klute declared the Consent Agenda approved.**

**CORRESPONDENCE**

NOTHING TO REPORT

**OLD BUSINESS**

United Liquid Waste is trying to bring Port Byron back into a law suit. There is a meeting on Monday, with all attorneys, and more information will be coming.

Gerry Meade inquired about the property across the street. It ties into the Comprehensive Plan, if we could purchase it at appraisal price.

Bruce Peterson suggested the proposed playground would be nice in that location, or in place of the Old Gazebo.

**NEW BUSINESS**

NOTHING TO REPORT

**GALLERY – QUESTIONS, COMMENTS**

Scott Sidor pointed out that property taxes have gone up 2% in Port Byron. It was suggested that the tax assessor be questioned and asked to justify the increase.

Jeanine Ingalls pointed out that there is a tree with low hanging limbs on Graham Avenue that scrapes vehicles as they pass. There is also a lot with some very high weeds that need attention. There is a dumpster, for the 6 plex, that needs to be moved closer to the complex. There is also a cul de sac that is washing out. Brian explained that drainage from another property is causing this wash out, and that he and Eric would check into this further.

Tammy Knapp stated that the handicap parking needs to be repainted, and there is a pipe exposed at Quarry and Main Street that needs to be capped off. Tammy asked about plans for the bike ride. She was curious if there would be any street closings. She was told there would not be any closings.

**ADJOURN**

**Trustee Peterson made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Trustee Bitler  
All Ayes**

**Mayor Klute declared the meeting adjourned at 7:05 PM.**

Oct. 5, 2015  
Approved (Date)

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Mayor – Kevin Klute

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Village Clerk – Kari Rozeboom