

Village of Catlin
County of Vermilion, State of Illinois
October 21, 2014

The Council of the Village of Catlin met in the Village Boardroom in regular session at 7:00 PM with Mayor James I. Robinson presiding. Mayor Robinson called the meeting to order and instructed the Village Clerk to call the roll.

Mayor: Jim Robinson

Commissioners: Fred Reddy, Jim Miller

Absent: Butch Schmink, Kevin Kirk

Also, present: Sharon Brady, Carl Barnes, Tim McFadden, Matt Johnson

A motion was made by Fred, seconded by Jim to approve the minutes from the October 7th, 2014 board meeting.

Aye Fred, Jim, Mayor Robinson

Nay none

General Fund bills to be presented:

17806	Payroll Clearing	\$4,729.34
17807	Payroll Clearing	\$5,136.73
17808	Arnold's Office Supply	\$48.28
17809	Rush Truck Center	\$131.49
17810	Norfolk Southern Corp.	\$25.00
17811	Bill's Auto	\$118.00
17812	AT&T	\$25.98
17813	Dollar General	\$14.50
17814	PowerNet Global Communications	\$20.64
17815	Ameren	\$1,149.72
17816	Courtesy Ford	\$22.79
17817	AT&T	\$75.00

Water Fund bills to be presented:

11434	Payroll Clearing	\$958.02
11435	Payroll Clearing	\$879.93
11436	AT&T	\$25.97
11437	Bob Ridings (new truck)	\$10,717.50
11438	Aqua Illinois	\$15,217.78

Wastewater Fund bills to be presented:

4959	Payroll Clearing	\$1,233.82
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4960	Payroll Clearing	\$1,534.97
4961	AT&T	\$25.98

Payroll Clearing Fund bills to be presented:

5717	Carl Barnes	\$645.09
5718	Stanley Ed Bean	\$534.12
5719	Cody Benschneider	\$114.45
5720	David Booe	\$108.66
5721	Vince Chambliss	\$272.78
5722	Jerry Cummings	\$307.97
5723	Shelley Darnell	\$520.76
5724	Ryan Ghibaudy	\$268.63
5725	David Harrold	\$198.32
5726	Dwayne High	\$172.38
5727	Toby Krabel	\$195.34
5728	Tim McFadden	\$611.65
5729	Brodie Pirie	\$220.63
5730	Nicoe Richardson	\$137.22
5731	Carl Barnes	\$703.98
5732	Stanley Ed Bean	\$499.35
5733	Tad Beddow	\$144.79
5734	David Booe	\$101.87
5735	Arik Bruens	\$163.01
5736	Vince Chambliss	\$239.98
5737	Cash Cook	\$198.16
5738	Jerry Cummings	\$95.65
5739	Shelley Darnell	\$558.57
5740	Ryan Ghibaudy	\$189.54
5741	David Harrold	\$105.46
5742	Dwayne High	\$250.06
5743	Tim McFadden	\$754.32
5744	Richard Oakley	\$208.33
5745	Brodie Pirie	\$252.93
5746	Nicoe Richardson	\$170.93
5747	David Trimmell	\$90.67

Illinois Funds Waterworks & Sewer Account

534	Fehr Graham	\$74,200.00
535	Bob Ridings	\$10,717.50

Upon reading of said bills, a motion was made by Jim, seconded by Fred that the Treasurer pay said bills.

Aye Fred, Jim, Mayor Robinson

Nay none

Commissioner Miller:

- No report

Commissioner Schmink:

Fred is handling the building permits in Butch's absence.

- A motion was made by Fred, seconded by Jim to issue a building permit to Don Owens, 303 W Vermilion, replace existing fence in same location, \$2,114.62, Lowe's
Aye Jim, Fred, Mayor Robinson
Nay none
- A building permit from American Tower Corp was presented to install three new antennas and associated radios at an elevation of 50 feet on an existing wireless communications tower with a new equipment cabinet at grade within the existing fenced in lease area as per plans at 708 W Vermilion. Mayor Robinson stated that the board should wait to approve this building permit until the Village is put back in order by Metro Communications. Jim agreed that we should hold it up to make sure things are done correctly.

Kevin joined the meeting.

Commissioner Kirk:

- Kevin informed the board that the new backhoe has been delivered to the Village. The warranty that was offered with the backhoe will be reviewed. Kevin stated he initially did not think it was a good idea but after speaking with the Township, that also bought a backhoe from Martin Equipment, Kevin believes it needs to be investigated more. The warranty will cost the Village \$10,000 over the next five years but what is not used, the Village will be refunded. The warranty covers filters, oil changes, everything but greasing. Over a period of one year, oil changes and filters can cost the Village in the neighborhood of \$1400.00. Kevin stated he would present the board with his findings at the next meeting. Financing for the backhoe is currently through Martin Equipment with no payment and no interest for the first year and then four annual payments. Jim stated that after speaking with Shelley, he believed it would be in the best interest of the Village to pay for the entire backhoe after the one year, zero percent interest is up out of the savings account for the general fund.
- Carl stated that the same lady is calling the Village multiple times to have her catch basin cleaned out when it rains. Carl stated that the last time she called, there were three to four leaves in the basin.

Commissioner Reddy:

- A motion was made by Jim, seconded by Kevin to issue a building permit to Fred Reddy, 311 N Sandusky, repair roof and asphalt driveway, \$500.00, Self
Aye Jim, Kevin, Mayor Robinson
Abstain Fred
Nay none
- Truck for the water department is in and can be picked up this week. Tim stated he would get with Fred in order to schedule the pickup. Kevin asked if the truck was going to be lettered. He stated that it is a good idea to have the village residents see the Village workers out and about.
- Fred stated that he or Tim would contact Wade Anderson about the trimming around the windows and doors at the pump station.

Mayor Robinson addressed Matt Johnson from Fehr Graham regarding the change orders and difference between the water tower painting bid and the final bill. Mayor Robinson stated that he believed that Fehr Graham was responsible for the difference. Per the minutes from the April 15, 2014 Village Board meeting, "Andrew Kieser addressed the board that there were two sealed bids that been received for the painting of the water tower. Andy opened both sealed bids. MaxCor Inc bid \$74,200. Harflan Painting bid \$82,000. Mayor Robinson asked if Andy had ever worked with MaxCor previously. Andy stated that he had not, but he has heard of the company before. Andy explained that the outside of the tower would be power washed, cleaned, rust removed, primed and painted. The inside of the tank would be brushed and an overcoat applied. The last time the tower was painted was 14 years ago for \$65,000."

Mayor Robinson stated that Andy supposedly had inspected the tower prior to placing it out for bid. However, he doesn't believe this actually was done or done properly. Kevin stated that his first question was when Andy inspected the tower. Matt stated that he has only worked for Fehr Graham for five months and Andy did give him pictures of the inspection that was done but the tower was not drained. Matt stated that he believed that the Village did not want it drained for the inspection due to financial cost since the Village only has one water tower. Kevin stated that the Village has two towers. Matt stated that after speaking with the Mayor and Shelley a couple of weeks ago, the main problem is the lack of communication between Andy and the Village. Kevin stated that the Village has been trying to get Andy to place the water tower out for bid for two years and it kept getting put off.

Matt stated he spoke with Mike, the project manager from MaxCor and Mike had stated that it would not have been possible to see if the inside of the tower would have needed a full blast and new coat until they started the project. Matt stated that the proposal that was put out was lacking because no one would have known. Bids would have been higher with the blast and recoat. The Village would have saved money with the blast and recoat being competitively bid. Matt stated that a savings of ten to fifteen percent, but not a hundred percent of the difference between the bid and the actual billed amount. Matt also stated that Mike told him that one day was lost due to inspection lag. Kevin stated that it got to the point where no one from your office would come over and inspect the tower to allow the painting crew to continue working. Kevin stated with the size of this job, one would think the engineer overseeing the project would have checked in

frequently, if not daily. Matt stated that invoicing for the engineer to be on-site each day would have been extremely high. Kevin stated that it wasn't the fact that no one was here from your office but rather that when it needed to be inspected, no one would come over and that delay should not have happened. Mayor Robinson stated that due to the engineer not being able to come over for inspection, he was required to sign off on the inspection, which he should not have been forced to do. Andy dropped the ball.

Jim stated that the rods that were removed from the bottom of the tower were rods used by the last paint crew fourteen years ago. He speculated that the higher bid from Harflan Painting was because they had done the project fourteen years ago and they knew what they had left and that the project would take more than what was listed in the bid process. Jim also stated that Andy should have had two proposed bids, the one that was actually used and then one with the potential additional work.

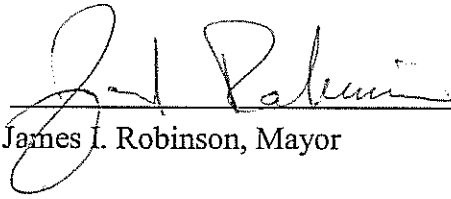
Matt stated that Fehr Graham had received the check for \$74,200 from the Village but it needed to be made out to MaxCor, not Fehr Graham. Shelley stated that she had called Fehr Graham to verify who the check should be made payable to and was told Fehr Graham. Shelley stated she would void that check and have it reissued to MaxCor.

Kevin stated that the Village has had a good relationship, first with Sodemann's and now with Fehr Graham and he would hate to see the relationship end. We need to see if this can be worked out. The painting of the tower was put off for two years by the engineer. The Village relies on our engineers to make sure the job is done correctly. Matt stated that the lack of communication is an issue and Fehr Graham is addressing this issue. Matt stated that they also value the relationship with the Village and they would certainly be willing to take some of the cost of this project. He stated he would be getting with the Mayor and talking about the dollars.

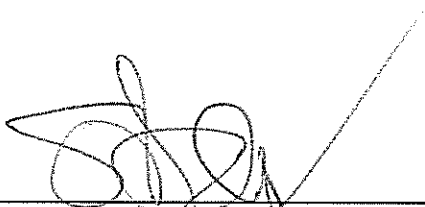
Mayor Robinson stated that he would like to see the entire overage taken care of but would settle for half of it. Fred stated he would also agree to split the difference. Jim stated that he believed this was more than generous since the original bid process was botched and should have had alternate bid criteria. Jim stated that if he asked Kevin to build him a house and got a bid and accepted that bid he would not pay extra if Kevin had forgotten to add the roof to the bid. Kevin stated he would go along with the Mayor's proposal.

Mayor Robinson addressed the board about the current invoices that were received by the Village's engineers. Fehr Graham has offered to waive the current outstanding invoices of around \$2800.00 due to the additional work orders that were placed on the painting of the elevated water tower that were not included within the competitive bidding process. Currently the balance due for the project is \$96,500. The original bid was for \$74,200. Kevin stated that he was sure that in a previous meeting, the engineering firm told the Village that it would cost \$1000 to inspect the water tower but an invoice was paid for \$1800. It was suggested that we hold the check that was previously voted on this evening to pay. Butch suggested that the Village only pay the original bid amount and wait until the engineers attend the next meeting.

A motion was made by Fred seconded by Jim to adjourn the meeting by vote.
Aye Kevin, Fred, Jim, Mayor Robinson
Nay none



James I. Robinson, Mayor



Shelley Darnell, Village Clerk