

Village of Catlin
County of Vermilion, State of Illinois
August 18, 2015

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

Mayor: Butch Schmink

Commissioners: Fred, Reddy, Kevin Kirk, Jim Miller, Aaron Richardson

Also present: Carl Barnes, Matt Johnson, Doug Toole, Pastor Steven Lamb, Art Wolfe, Nancy Allison, Sue McFarland, Vicki Davis, Cash Cook, Deone Pickett, JoAnne Reynolds, Stephanie Georges-Eychetson, Dwayne High, Dave Biggerstaff, Gail Biggerstaff, Barb Biggerstaff, Sharon Brady

A motion was made by Jim, seconded by Aaron to approve the minutes from the August 4, 2015 board meeting.

Aye Fred, Kevin, Jim, Aaron, Mayor Schmink

Nay none

A motion was made by Kevin, seconded by Fred to approve the executive session minutes from the July 7th board meeting.

Aye Fred, Kevin, Jim, Aaron, Mayor Schmink

Nay none

General Fund bills to be presented:

18205	Payroll Clearing	\$5,281.65
18206	Vermilion Co. Records Office	\$240.00
18207	Payroll Clearing	\$5,287.63
18208	Coffman's Truck Service	\$349.70
18209	AT&T	\$23.03
18210	The Sidell Reporter	\$74.25
18211	PowerNet Global Communications	\$20.51
18212	Bill's Auto	\$45.00
18213	Direct Energy	\$37.60
18214	Napa Auto Parts	\$26.50
18215	Big R Stores	\$147.50
18216	Catlin IGA	\$18.05
18217	Cintas	\$81.37
	Vermilion Co. Dept of Animal	
18218	Regulation	\$25.00
18219	Botts Locksmith	\$55.00
18220	Illini FS	\$1,079.55
18221	Verizon Wireless	\$76.04

18222	Vermilion Co. Treasurer	\$252.76
18223	Ray O'Herron	\$98.97

Water Fund bills to be presented:

11659	General Fund	\$200.00
11660	Payroll Clearing	\$1,069.99
11661	Emily Rancuret	\$50.92
11662	Catlin W&S	\$49.08
11663	Payroll Clearing	\$879.29
11664	Illini FS	\$95.25
11665	Cintas	\$81.37
11666	The Sidell Reporter	\$74.25
11667	AT&T	\$23.02
11668	IMCO	\$240.00

Wastewater Fund bills to be presented:

5128	General Fund	\$200.00
5129	Payroll Clearing	\$1,299.78
5130	Payroll Clearing	\$1,514.00
5131	AT&T	\$23.03
5132	The Sidell Reporter	\$74.25
5133	Cintas	\$81.37
5134	Illini FS	\$95.26
5135	Rahn Equipment	\$93.60
5136	Drennan Septic Service, Inc.	\$225.00
5137	B&D Sales & Service	\$58.37

Payroll Clearing Fund bills to be presented:

6467	Colton Baird	\$97.23
6468	Carl Barnes	\$700.44
6469	Ed Bean	\$622.54
6470	Tad Beddow	\$246.97
6471	David Booe	\$113.54
6472	Vince Chambliss	\$263.03
6473	Cash C. Cook	\$137.96
6474	Jerry Cummings	\$199.10
6475	Shelley Darnell	\$639.73
6476	Dwayne High	\$191.90
6477	Charles Johnson	\$278.81
6478	Tim McFadden	\$640.35

6479	Brent Moody	\$155.32
6480	Nicoe Richardson	\$178.61
6481	Dalton Sacre	\$238.17
6482	David Trimmell	\$95.55
6483	Robert Wahlfeldt	\$82.34
6484	Colton Baird	\$41.42
6485	Carl Barnes	\$884.65
6486	Ed Bean	\$514.72
6487	Tad Beddow	\$259.15
6488	David Booe	\$78.08
6489	Vince Chambliss	\$205.73
6490	Cash C. Cook	\$110.06
6491	Jerry Cummings	\$293.65
6492	Shelley Darnell	\$545.09
6493	Dwayne High	\$105.56
6494	Charles Johnson	\$177.07
6495	Tim McFadden	\$755.32
6496	Brent Moody	\$298.64
6497	Richard Oakley	\$218.10
6498	Nicoe Richardson	\$188.00
6499	Void	\$0.00
6500	Void	\$0.00
6501	Void	\$0.00
6502	Void	\$0.00
6503	Dalton Sacre	\$245.13

IL Funds Motor Fuel Tax

Fund:

1175	Fehr-Graham	\$402.50
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Splash Park Fund bills to be presented:

CC	Brook Street Material Supply, Inc.	\$762.00
CC	Prairieland Farm Drainage	\$2,000.00
CC	Big R	\$86.00

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

Aye Fred, Kevin, Jim, Aaron, Mayor Schmink

Nay none

Pastor Steven Lamb from Faith Church in Fairmount addressed the board. TeenServe, a faith-based youth group would be coming to the Salt Fork area in the summer of 2016. Around four

hundred youths will be living for a week at the South Campus and will be working on homes, doing repairs, painting and building wheel chair ramps for those in need. Pastor Lamb requested that a representative from the Village of Catlin be present at one of the meetings, being held on August 27th at 7 PM or on August 29th at 10 AM. Mayor Schmink stated that the Village Clerk and he planned on attending the meeting.

Art Wolfe presented the board with an ordinance change or addition to not allow trailers, utility, camping, semi-trailers or other types be allowed to park on or along city streets or park trailers or vehicles on city walks. Temporary parking would be allowed for loading or unloading only. He also asked that no one be allowed to throw grass clippings on city streets or walks. Mayor Schmink thanked Mr. Wolfe for his suggestions and time and informed him that the board would take it under advisement.

David Biggerstaff asked if the board would accept the seven written complaints would be accepted into the minutes. Mayor Schmink said that they would. The seven complaints are as follows:

July 18, 2015

JoAnn Reynolds
409 Douglas
Catlin, IL 61817

RE: Stephanie R. Georges-Eytcheson
Case No: 15-1093

To Whom It May Concern:

After 3 years of experiencing continual harassment from the three dogs owned by Stephanie R. Georges-Eytcheson I contacted the Catlin Mayor to file a complaint. During the first week of May, my 11 yr old granddaughter, Emily Moudy of Catlin was visiting me while I was planting a garden in my backyard. While Emily was playing outside in my yard the Huskie dog named Zoe charged at her in front of my garage. I chased the dog out of my yard but it continued to come back barking and growling at us. Emily went into the house for safety. She came outside later and the dog came back again. Frightened to be outside she called her mother to pick her up while I continued to plant my garden. I determined at that moment that I had been too patient with my neighbors irresponsible lack of control of her dogs and decided to contact the city. Until that time these dogs ran loose for hours at a time at ALL hours of the day or night.

As I picked up my tools to put into the garage the dog came back into my yard looking at my work in the garden. I yelled at the

dog and it ran straight up the middle of my freshly planted garden. I noticed that Stephanie had come into the alley to let the dog in her back gate. I told her that the dog had been running through my garden and yard for over 2 hours and had charged at my granddaughter. She denied this and said the dog wouldn't come when she called it so what was she supposed to do? She further stated that the dog was a rescue animal and would be put down because of this issue due to its anxiety issues if there were any further complaints. I told her that if she could not control the animal that she needed to find another home for it that would provide the room and space that it needed, but I was no longer willing to give up my freedom within my home for the freedom of her dogs. I was polite but assertive that I intend to protect myself and my family from any further attacks by her dogs. I further informed her that during the previous winter this very dog had for a straight week been in my yard within 6 yards of my back window barking as late as 2 AM. She said this never happened. I reminded her that dog was very unique and in the moonlight I could clearly identify it as her dog.

The next day I spoke with the mayor, Butch Schmink. When I returned home the dog Zoe was attempting to jump the fence. Someone in the neighborhood a block and ½ away was operating a noisy mower. Two dogs were charging the fence and later barking voraciously charging their fence as I worked on my garden. I also observed a family walking past the house at 412 Sandusky Street with an infant in a stroller and a very young child on a bicycle. Both huskies charged the fence barking at the family on the same day that I filed my complaint with the city. Later that evening the dog Zoe was placed on a very strong chain.

Since my complaint the dog Zoe remains chained in the backyard when out. The other two dogs continue to run loose occasionally. I have observed Stephanie in the yard with two loose dogs at her side. About two weeks later the older black dog came running through my yard and down the back alley into my neighbors back yard. Stephanie came immediately and I indicated that her dog had gone into the neighbors yard. She retrieved the dog. I told her then that I thought part of the problem was the name Zoe as another neighbor has a small dog named Zoe and another granddaughter is named Zoe. Stephanie called the dog and it responded returning to her yard with the other darker Huskie dog which was also loose. As they walked along her side yard facing McKinley street toward the front yard on Sandusky Street, another woman approached with a large black dog on a leash. Stephanie's older black dog ran forward grabbing the other dog by the throat and flipped it down on its back on the front sidewalk.

I did not report this to the city as I felt this incident was the responsibility of the two dog owners.

My granddaughter Emily continued to discuss her fears of the dogs at 412 Sandusky. When I purchased a sand table for my yard she insisted that we place it in front of my garage door "so the big dogs can't see me. If they don't see me maybe that won't bark at me and chase me and I can run into the garage if they come back." Three weeks later my precious granddaughter died suddenly from a very rare and sudden infection that resulted in septic shock. I am very distressed that my last few visits with my precious granddaughter in my home with tainted by fear of Stephanie's dogs. I do not want her younger sister to be afraid of my home.

Eight houses border my home on Douglas Street. Two are vacant. My home is the only one that does not have a dog. This is a family environment. Douglas Street is very quiet. Families love to walk their dogs and take family walks and bike rides past my home. Emily loved to visit with the smaller dogs. ALL of other neighbors walk their dogs on leashes. The household of Mrs. Georges-Eytcheson is the only family that refuses to leash walk their dogs. A week ago I was visiting with a neighbor in my backyard petting his new puppy. Two loose dogs in the Georges-Eytcheson backyard were barking viciously and the darker huskie almost jumped the fence in its attempt to charge at the puppy. The puppy owner picked up his dog to put it into his home to protect it in case the dogs managed to get over the fence. I reported this to Catlin but the mayor was out of town. He has not replied to my verbal complaint. I reported the incident to the Catlin Police Department as well.

These dogs behave differently with their owner. We do not have a problem with the dogs when the owner supervises them. We all have problems when the owner is not with the dogs. I do not want my other grandchildren afraid to visit me at my home. I want the freedom to enjoy my home, my yard, my garden in peace and safety. I do not want to be afraid to walk to my car or to my garage. I want to visit my neighbors in my backyard in safety.

The real victim of my complaint to Catlin, Emily Moudy age 11, is not alive to tell her side of the story. Emily loved all animals. She was seldom afraid of animals; she loved the outdoor school at Kennekuk Park and even gladly petted snakes. She knew all the other neighborhood dogs by name and loved to visit them. She was afraid of the dogs at 412 Sandusky and she was concerned as well for my safety.

Stephanies dogs are beautiful. They deserve the room to run and be the animals that they were designed to be but they do not

belong in a family neighborhood in a confined space. One Huskie would be a problem, but three dogs each weighing over 125 lbs left unsupervised in a small area is a disaster waiting to happen. They become a pack. If action is not taken soon, Mrs. Georges-Eytcherson will resume her lax control of the dogs allowing them out unsupervised. The City of Catlin must intervene or face further legal repercussions if a pet, child or elderly resident becomes a victim of further harm.

I am requesting that the City of Catlin take action to insure that these dogs are supervised 24 hrs a day or failing that, to be removed from 412 Sandusky Street Catlin IL 61817.

Signed- JoAnn Reynolds

To Whom It May Concern,

We have had more than one incident regarding the dogs. We walk our dog down the street using the sidewalk. We have to pass their house when we walk that direction and several times while walking our dog their dogs have come charging after us. I have had to grab up my dog and run to our house which is two doors down from them at 408 N Sandusky St. in Catlin. This has occurred at different times of the day. The dogs have been in our yard more than once. If we are going to take our dog out and we see their dogs out we do not go, for fear they will attack us. These neighbors have a fenced in back yard but let their dogs out in the front yard. My wife has come home for lunch to walk our dog and when she turned the corner to go into our driveway to enter the house the dog was in the corner of our yard. Having been scared of what the dog might do she picked our dog up and ran to the house. One morning this spring I was walking my dog early in the morning and there is an elderly lady who usually takes her morning walk at the same time. As I was walking, two of the dogs were on the next street over and had the lady pinned, she was not able to move. I had to run over with my dog and try to get the dogs away from her so that she could continue her walk while trying to keep my dog safe.

Signed -David Barr

7-18-15

Statement of Barbara Biggerstaff of 409 N Sandusky St neighbor directly across the street from 412 N Sandusky St that is owned by Stephanie Georges-Etchison

Early this spring in 2015, I awoke early one morning around 6:30am to hear my granddaughter who lives with me calling 911. As Danielle was going out front of our house where she parks her car on the North Sandusky street a dog belonging to Ms. Etchison chased her back into our home. As I stood at my front door, the dog was in the street where I watched it chase a car down the road, Danielle attempted to make a run for her car two more times but the dog came right back up on my front door barking viscously. I advised Danielle to stay inside and about that time someone at 412 N Sandusky St opened the front door and the dog ran inside the home. Danielle was late for work because the dog was on my front porch at least three times that day.

The lack of supervision and the dogs running off their property has been an ongoing problem since they moved in the several years ago, in fact my grandsons dog was attacked by one of their dogs on my front porch several years ago. Also my mail box is located across the street directly in front of 412 N Sandusky st, as per US Post office requirements, I am still leery of going to get my mail and often wait until no cars are home to be sure the dogs won't be let out. To this day Ms. Etchison will allow all three dogs to run loose in front of the house to I stay in my house because I do not believe she can control all three dogs at one time.

I would hope they could use their fenced in back yard to help control the dogs rather than letting them run loose. My wish is that when they bring the dogs out front that someone will always have control over them and they will stay out of my yard.

Signed - Barbara Biggerstaff

7-18-15

I Danielle Biggerstaff live at 409 N Sandusky St Catlin, Illinois. I hve resided here for almost six years now. In early March 2015 I was on my way out my door to my car to go to work at 6:30a.m. where one of the neighbors dogs approached me in my driveway barking viciously at me, it scared me enough to make me run back into my house, the dog followed me back to the door.

The dog then sat on my porch barking at me inside of my house while my grandmother and I were trying to figure out a way for me to get out to my car to go to work. There was no owner

outside watching over the dogs, so we stood there and watched them run around the neighborhood into others yards as well.

After 20 minutes of attempting to get out of the house and having this dog approach me every time I opened the door and barking at me on my front porch, I called 911 and told them my situation and that I just wanted the dog to be put away so I can get to my car and go to work. The dispatched said there was no Catlin officer on duty and they were going to try to call the owners of the house and have them put the dogs away. At 7:20a.m. the son finally cracked the front door open and called the dogs back into the house. I then proceeded to work where I was ten minutes late and had to use my own personal sick leave time to cover the minutes I was late.

I have seen the dogs running loose around the neighborhood many many times over the years and would like the owners to keep them on their own property so all the neighbors can feel safe on their own property.

Signed - Danielle Biggerstaff

July 20, 2015

To Whom It May Concern:

My family and I lived at 502 North Sandusky on the corner of Sandusky and McKinley streets in Catlin Illinois from April, 2013 to April, 2015. There were four of us living in the house, myself (Melody Wilson), my mother (Sandra Redenbaugh), and my two teenage daughters (Jessica Wilson and Amber Wilson).

For the first year we lived in the house, we did not have any problems with the neighbors or the dogs next door. The dogs were always let out into the back yard and I did not see them running loose in the neighborhood. However, starting in the fall of 2014, the dogs across the street from us (the yellow house on Sandusky and McKinley), started coming out the front door. On at least two occasions, one of the dogs crossed McKinley and came into our yard. The dog appeared aggressive and was baring his teeth. Both times, my oldest daughter, Jessica and her boyfriend were outside near their cars. They quickly came inside and were visibly shaken. Both of these kids have been around larger dogs their entire lives and are not easily spooked. Jessica is an animal lover and I have never known here to be that afraid of a

dog before. Since the dog did not actually bite them and I did not want to cause any problems with my neighbors, I did not file a complaint. My younger daughter also had a run-in with the dog while out playing in our yard and was forced inside. We have since moved from that property.

My mother and I also witnessed these animals leaving their property and crossing Sandusky on multiple occasions. I have witnessed the dogs in Mrs. Biggerstaff's yard as well as other neighbors around the area.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

Signed - Melody Wilson

Phyllis Clem
501 N Sandusky
Catlin, IL

I have had a couple of issues with the dogs on Sandusky Street. Across the street from my house.

The first time was an evening (late winter) when my brother and sister-in-law was leaving my house from the front door. Walking to the driveway, which is only a few feet away, the dog came running into my yard and was growling/barking at them. Each time they took a step toward the car, the dog barked more and came closer. Someone in the house across the street finally whistled for the dog and it left.

Second time was in early spring when I washed my car one evening. It was dusk and I was in my driveway drying off my car. As I went around the car, to the passenger side, the dog came running across the street and was barking and growling. Each time I moved, he came closer and seemed to be more aggressive in his barking and growling. Finally, my son came out of the house with a bat and had to run the dog off. My son did not use the bat other than wave it in the air but the dog did not seem to back down from that either. Again, it took someone from inside the dog's house to whistle for him and he left.

Both times this dog was in my front yard and I should not have to worry about walking around in my own yard. I have not been walking across the street to my mailbox anymore due to the concerns I have about this dog. I make sure I check my mailbox

while I am in my car now. Again, I should have the comfort of simply walking across the street.

I am not mostly concerned about my grandsons playing outside. They are not allowed in the front yard anyway unless I or one of their parents are with them but now I am concerned about them just playing in the back yard. My grandsons are 7 and 5; they should be able to play outside without fear of a dog.

I am not home during the work weekday so I do not usually see activities going on in the neighborhood but I was home one day (April 28, 2015) with one of my grandsons and I saw one of the dogs take off down the street. I saw the owner actually have to get in her car to go and get the dog. Now, that was not the dog I consider to be aggressive dog but, it was a dog running loose and would not heed to the owners commands to return. We clearly have leash laws and they are not adhering to them.

Several people walk and ride their bikes in our neighborhood, especially families with small children and even though the dog is in the fenced back yard I am still concerned the fence is not tall enough to contain a dog of that size. I have seen him get dangerously close to jumping over. Honestly, you never know either, when they are going to open the front door and out the dogs will run.

Also, I saw the incident the Sunday Mr. Biggerstaff had the broom. He was trying to get the dog out of his mother's yard. (She is my next door neighbor) He was waving the broom around trying to get the dog out of yard. This was another time the dog was not backing down to someone trying to get them out of their yard. I heard someone call for the dog and he ran across the street into the house.

Several people in our community walk dogs and they have a leash on their animals, why can't they? Neighbors should be able to walk around in their own neighborhood without fear of being backed up against their car, or house, unable to move because owners are not responsible for their animals.

Signed - Phyllis Clem

5-22-15

This letter is to attest that I, David Biggerstaff was driving on North Sandusky street in Catlin, IL on Friday May 22, 2015 at approximately 6:45am when I witnessed a black lab dog that is owned by the occupants at 412 N Sandusky St in Catlin IL on public property, unattended by any of the owners and outside the owners property. I would like the village to follow their ordinances and issue the owners all applicable ordinance violations because the owners have had ample warnings, additionally I am willing to testify at municipal court to this incident.

The history with this home is as follows:

- **November 2012**, their dog attacks my dog on my mother's front porch who lives across the street. At the time as a police office for the Village of Catlin, I issued the owners a verbal warning and did not write them because they are my mother's neighbor and did not want to cause problems.
- **March 2013**, while on duty as a police officer, I witness the dogs at 412 unattended off the property at 412 N Sandusky st, the owners were given a final verbal warning as documented in my daily police log that was brought to the village's attention in April of this year, again I did not write them a ticket.
- **March 2015** 2 incidents of 911 being called due to aggressive behavior by a dog from 412 N Sandusky st being off its property approaching neighbors.
- **April 2 2015** Complaint letter given to the village of Catlin detailing multiple incidents from multiple neighbors with aggressive behavior of dogs at 412 N Sandusky St.
- **March-April 2015** Animal control was at the property 3 times about the dogs along with village officials on other occasions.
- **April 2015** Village required a dog be evaluated by animal control for potential label of being a "dangerous dog"

At issue is the actions of the dog owners, not the dogs, and how they continue to show a gross disregard for village ordinances, duties required to be a responsible pet owner, and most importantly disrespect and disregard for their neighbors and the public. Given the fact that the back yard at 412 N Sandusky

St is totally fenced in shows the occupants are making the choice to let their dogs run free and warrants violations be written for this incident and any and all future incidents.

Signed - David Biggerstaff

David Biggerstaff stated that he was not trying to have any animals sent out or put down but the behavior of the owners needs to be addressed. Dave presented the board with another letter of complaint as follows:

Also, as an added issue, on Wednesday evening (8/5/15) which was 1 day after the last town meeting.

Around 8:00-8:30 pm I was locking up my front door and I saw that 2 dogs were our running around in the surrounding yards and street. After looking at the dogs I realized they were the 2 animals that live across the street from me. One of the owners (it was a young person from the house) was talking to someone in a car alongside the street. Once again, I saw the dogs were just running loose---the whiter color husky took off down the street (heading west) and was not back when the owner went into the house. Violation of Catlin ordinance 90.03 I believe.

Obviously an owner was outside when the dogs were running around at the time but, the dogs were obviously not under control otherwise one would have not taken off down the street and the other one would never have been running in the street or other yards.

Since this action is in violation of Catlin ordinance, should I contact the police every time I see these dogs just running loose in the street?

Signed - Phyllis Clem

David Biggerstaff stated that Dave Barr has been affected by these dogs at least ten times, Melody Wilson, multiple times. A ticket was issued to Stephanie Georges on 3/23/15, which she plead guilty to on 5/19/15. David also stated that he and Chief Cash Cook listened to the slanderous things that were said about them at the last meeting but followed the instructions of the Village Board and the ordinances by filing the written complaints. David read a portion of the letter written by the Village attorney, "There is no defense to the dogs leaving the property, even if it's by accident or mistake, an ordinance violation occurs."

JoAnn Reynolds addressed the board about her history with the dogs and the owners of 412 N. Sandusky. JoAnn stated that she filed her complaint for her granddaughter, Emily, who tragically passed away. JoAnn stated she was concerned for her other seven year old granddaughter, that she won't want to come visit for fear of the dogs at 412 N. Sandusky.

David Biggerstaff requested that the two tickets that were issued by the Village be re-instated since they were dropped in error by the municipal court. Mayor Schmink stated that the Village did not drop the charges, nor did the Village attorney direct the court to do so. David stated that he spoke with the municipal court and the court coordinator mistook the dangerous dog incident for the ordinance violation. Kevin asked Chief Cash Cook if he stood behind the two ordinance violations that were issued. Chief Cook said that he did. A motion was made by Jim, seconded by Fred to reinstate the two ordinance violations that were mistakenly dropped by the municipal court.

Aye Fred, Kevin, Jim, Aaron, Mayor Schmink
Nay none

Matt Johnson of Fehr-Graham addressed the board regarding the water main project. Three sealed bids were opened on August 13th, 2015 at 2 PM. Those three bids were as follows: Bob Brown Construction: \$162,962.00, Cross Construction: \$303,982.33 and Drennan Septic Service \$347,088.85. Following review of the submitted bids, Fehr Graham noted the bid from Bob Brown Construction did not include Page 5 of the Bid Form. Page 5 contained the unit price bid schedule. The bid form from Bob Brown Construction was received on Monday, August 17th and after review the sum of the line items shown on the unit price bid schedule was \$205,242.20 rather than the number that was submitted at the Bid Opening. Fehr Graham judges the bid from Bob Brown Construction to be in substantial non-conformance and unresponsive with the competitive bidding procedure outlined in the Bidding Documents.

A motion was made by Fred, seconded by Kevin to reject Bob Brown Construction's bid as non-conformance and unresponsive and accept Cross Construction bid of \$303,982.33 for the water main project on South Paris, Merill and Farrar Street.

Aye Fred, Kevin, Jim, Aaron, Mayor Schmink
Nay none

The Village Clerk stated that it would cost an estimated \$600 to try to resell the property at 107 and 109 Prairie. A new ordinance would be required and republishing it in the local paper as well. Tad Beddow suggested that a sign be put up on the property to see if anyone would be interested in purchasing the property prior to spending additional funds.

Commissioner Miller:

- No report

Commissioner Richardson:

- A motion was made by Aaron, seconded by Jim to issue a building permit to Joseph Alberich, 108 Meadowlane Dr, replace chain link fence with privacy fence, \$6,000.00, Illini Fence Company
Aye Fred, Kevin, Jim, Aaron, Mayor Schmink
Nay none
- A motion was made by Aaron, seconded by Jim to issue a building permit to Steve Elmore for the Fleming Street Apartments, re-roof, \$17,350.00, Amos Construction, 104.005537.
Aye Fred, Kevin, Jim, Aaron, Mayor Schmink
Nay none
- A motion was made by Aaron, seconded by Jim to issue a building permit to David Biggerstaff, 201 Clay, roof house, \$3,000.00, Self.
Aye Fred, Kevin, Jim, Aaron, Mayor Schmink
Nay none
- Aaron informed the board that the water lines, sewer lines and backfill on the Splash Park were done but took two additional days than what had originally been planned. Volunteers are needed to help complete the project. Jim stated he would be able to get some retired laborer's to volunteer.
- Aaron stated he was still gathering information regarding ordinance 92.01. Jim stated that if the ordinance change does pass, it should require those with a permit for chickens to be home owners, not renters.

Commissioner Kirk:

- Kevin reported that the MFT project was completed within four days.
- Kevin had received one bid to seal the parking lot at the Village/Township hall but wanted to wait until another bid was submitted.
- Part-time summer help would end on Thursday.
- Street painting would begin next week.
- The Alley by the funeral home should begin this week.
- Tad Beddow suggested that semi-truck should not be allowed to turn North out of the new Casey's on Short Street.

Commissioner Reddy:

- Fred thanked Matt Johnson from Fehr Graham and Shelley for their work on the water main grant.

A motion was made by Jim, seconded by Fred to adjourn the meeting by vote.

Aye Fred, Kevin, Jim, Aaron, Mayor Schmink

Nay none

Butch Schmit 9/2/15
Butch Schmit, Mayor



Shelley Darnell, Village Clerk