

Village of Catlin  
County of Vermilion, State of Illinois  
November 21, 2023

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

Mayor: Justin Bargo

Commissioners: Jamie Ridge, Kevin Kirk, Fred Rinehart, Wanda Schmit

Also, present: Tad Beddow, Todd McLain, Sue Tinkle, Tom Terrien, Carol Rinehart, Tonya Hucks

A motion was made by Wanda, seconded by Fred to approve the minutes from the regular board meeting held on November 11, 2023.

Aye: Fred, Jamie, Wanda, Kevin, Mayor Bargo

Nay: none

A motion was made by Kevin, seconded by Wanda to approve the Executive Minutes from the regular board meeting held on November 11, 2023.

Aye: Fred, Jamie, Wanda, Kevin, Mayor Bargo

Nay: none

Bills to be presented November 21, 2023

General Fund bills to be presented:

87964	Janna Nicholson	\$ 709.91
87965	Payroll Clearing (SRO)	\$ 3,002.63
87966	Payroll Clearing	\$ 7,877.57
87967	Payroll Clearing (SRO)	\$ 3,006.27
87968	Payroll Clearing	\$ 8,622.40
87969	Payroll Clearing (SRO)	\$ 3,000.27
87970	Payroll Clearing	\$ 8,025.79
87971	AT&T Mobility	\$ 243.50
87972	AT&T (Phone)	\$ 1,025.68
87973	Cintas	\$ 88.22
87974	Crowder CPA	\$ 6,227.50
87975	Catlin Water & Sewer	\$ 144.40
87976	CentralManangement Services	\$ 2,452.00
87977	Constellation New Energy	\$ 144.88
87978	DP Supply	\$ 144.90
87979	Green Tech	\$ 61.00
87980	Illini FS	\$ 1,047.13

87981	Larry Fredericks	\$ 945.00
87982	Mid-West Truckers	\$ 170.00
87983	Progressive Chemical & Lighting	\$ 905.92
87984	Ray O'Herron Supreme Radio	\$ 331.99
87985	Communications	\$ 1,531.87
87986	Shirley's Custom Lights	\$ 3,400.00
87987	Tom's Marine Sales & Service	\$ 163.88
87988	Verizon Wireless	\$ 152.04

Water Fund bills to be presented:

13533	Payroll Clearing	\$83.19
13534	Aqua Illinois	\$19,378.64
13535	Constellation New Energy	\$52.62
13536	Crowder CPA	\$6,227.50
13537	Illini FS	\$92.40
13538	Midwest Meters	\$52.00
13539	Travis Pearman Plumbing	\$300.00

Wastewater Fund bills to be presented:

6658	Ricmar Industries	\$ 517.50
6659	VOID	
6660	Payroll Clearing	\$ 1,647.99
6661	Payroll Clearing	\$ 1,648.00
6662	Payroll Clearing	\$ 1,647.99
6663	Alta	\$ 1,592.75
6664	Crowder CPA	\$ 12,455.00
6665	Claypool Excavating	\$ 1,500.00
6666	Hughes Network Systems	\$ 202.46
6667	Hawkins Inc	\$ 120.00
6668	Illini FS	\$ 92.40
6669	USA Bluebook	\$ 4,328.22
6670	Y's Communications	\$ 1,910.00
6671	Village of Titlton	\$ 330.00

Payroll Clearing to be Presented:

13666	Troy Chew (SRO)	\$ 217.72
13667	Dustin Heckerson (SRO)	\$ 213.16
13668	Billie Hurt (SRO)	\$ 836.53
13669	Kyle Janesky (SRO)	\$ 725.52
13670	Allison Allison	\$ 755.09
13671	Nick Beddow	\$ 244.17
13672	Tad Beddow	\$ 631.31

13673	Dustin Campbell	\$	298.31
13674	Vince Chambliss	\$	702.14
13675	Troy Chew	\$	428.37
13676	Ethan McLain	\$	687.60
13677	Todd McLain	\$	860.71
13678	Rick Oakley	\$	362.83
13679	Greg Phillips	\$	815.92
13680	Derek Weston	\$	413.51
	Gina McLain/Verm County		
13681	Clerk	\$	230.77
13682	State Disbursement Unit	\$	100.00
13683	Troy Chew (SRO)	\$	455.46
13684	Dustin Heckerson (SRO)	\$	426.34
13685	Billie Hurt (SRO)	\$	631.46
13686	Kyle Janesky (SRO)	\$	553.19
13687	Allison Allison	\$	839.21
13688	Tad Beddow	\$	631.31
13689	David Booe	\$	279.23
13690	Dustin Campbell	\$	319.20
13691	Vince Chambliss	\$	746.00
13692	Troy Chew	\$	145.18
13693	D. Alex Cundiff	\$	517.25
13694	Kyle Janesky	\$	159.01
13695	Shirley Lamb	\$	66.70
13696	Ethan McLain	\$	590.85
13697	Todd McLain	\$	860.71
13698	Rick Oakley	\$	188.79
13699	Greg Phillips	\$	840.15
13700	Derek Weston	\$	413.51
13701	Lane Weston	\$	211.68
	Gina McLain/Verm County		
13702	Clerk	\$	230.77
13703	State Disbursement Unit	\$	100.00
13704	Troy Chew (SRO)	\$	435.45
13705	Dustin Heckerson (SRO)	\$	618.92
13706	Billie Hurt (SRO)	\$	631.46
13707	Kyle Janesky (SRO)	\$	380.61
13708	Allison Allison	\$	875.26
13709	Nick Beddow	\$	233.97
13710	Tad Beddow	\$	631.31
13711	Samuel Bernardi	\$	149.15

13712	David Booe	\$	141.59
13713	Dustin Campbell	\$	277.40
13714	Vince Chambliss	\$	452.77
13715	Troy Chew	\$	231.37
13716	D. Alex Cundiff	\$	157.63
13717	Kyle Janesky	\$	325.28
13718	Ethan McLain	\$	590.86
13719	Todd McLain	\$	860.71
13720	Greg Phillips	\$	737.39
13721	David Trimmell	\$	322.09
13722	Derek Weston	\$	291.37
	Gina McLain/Verm County		
13723	Clerk	\$	230.77
13724	State Disbursement Unit	\$	100.00

Kevin asked about check for #87987 Tom's Marine Sales, clerk Allison advised it was for service done to the side by side. Tad noted that in order to keep the warranty we have to have it serviced within a certain time frame/hours. Mayor Bargo questioned check for Y's Communication, asked if it was in the budget and voted on? Jamie noted we discussed it but Todd stated it was not voted on, just discussed previously.

A motion was made by Kevin, seconded by Jamie to approve the bills as presented.

Aye: Jamie, Fred, Wanda, Kevin, Mayor Bargo

Nay: none

Public Expressions: Sue Tinkle presented the board with a list of questions, concerns, and ideas regarding the Butler Branch walking path. Sue questioned if the path at Butler Branch needed to be 10ft wide and what the reasoning was with that. She noted a path at Forest Glen was ADA approved at 5ft wide. She is concerned that the wider path invites golf carts and other motorized vehicles that are not conducive to the safety of others walking the path. She stated that bicycles and walkers don't mesh well on such a trail. She inquired if we could use aglime instead of asphalt for the trail and that it's approved by ADA.

Sue asked if lighting will be on the trail. She noted a few options for lighting and that having lights on all night long it could be detrimental to wildlife. She asked about the exercise stations and noted in her visits to other parks that they weren't used very much. What would the maintenance down the road entail and would that be budgeted to maintain in the future? She wondered about what the insurance liability coverage would be and if there would be an increase? Next Sue addressed parking, is the parking lot going to be scaled down or are we expecting so many cars there at once? Lastly Sue asked regarding the idea of the butterfly garden, that it's a wonderful idea, but will we be getting input from a master gardener, arborist, etc. as to what would be the best species of plants to put there? There needs to be a little bit of caution used when picking out the plants as some will do better than others. Sue concluded by thanking Wanda and everybody involved in the project.

Wanda responded to some of Sue's questions. She started by noting that she would have to check with our IDNR coordinator regarding the width of the path to see if it can be changed. As far as motor vehicles, they will not be allowed. Authorized vehicles only will be allowed back there. A list of rules will be posted as to what is and isn't allowed. Bicycles were going to be allowed but can be discussed further. If the width has to be maintained, then a bicycle path and walking path can be marked for safety. As far as aglime vs asphalt/concrete. We need to be able to maintain it during the winter and if it's aglime you can't plow that so that's why the concrete path. As far as lighting goes, there is not going to be any lighting back there because it will be open from dusk to dawn. As far as the exercise equipment, we carry liability insurance on all of our properties. Not sure if that will increase but that's something we will find out same as play equipment. Wanda is looking to see if the Boy Scouts can help with the building of them. Has not gotten that far in her plan on maintaining. In regards to the parking lot Wanda will again have to check with the IDNR coordinator as she believes we cannot change the parking lot for ADA purposes, but Wanda will ask to clarify. As far as the butterfly garden we haven't committed to it yet as it was originally an idea from the Girl Scouts that they wanted to do for one of their projects.

Commissioner Rinehart:

- A motion was made by Fred, seconded by Kevin to approve the building permit for Michael Cottle at 117 Kent Dr. to place an 8 x 12 utility shed according to his drawing with an estimated cost of \$3,000.00  
Aye: Fred, Jamie, Wanda, Kevin, Mayor Bargo  
Nay: none
- A motion was made by Fred, seconded by Jamie to issue a building permit for John Almy at 102 Westwood Circle to install PV solar panels on residential roof according to plans submitted, the work will be performed by LGCY Installation Services LLC with an estimated cost of \$40,833.42.  
Aye: Fred, Jamie, Wanda, Kevin, Mayor Bargo  
Nay: none
- A motion was made by Fred, seconded by Kevin to approve Ordinance No. 780, Tax Levy for the Village of Catlin, Vermilion County, Illinois for year 2023 in the amount of \$192,722.00  
Aye: Fred, Jamie, Wanda, Kevin, Mayor Bargo  
Nay: none  
The Tax Levy increased by .049% which is allowable by law without a public hearing, it is roughly a \$9,000 increase.

Commissioner Schmit:

- Wanda just wanted to ask for everyone to come out to parade on Sunday. There will be ice sculpting from 2-4, community meal 4-6, photo booth 5-7, craft fair at the Methodist church 1-4, and carriage rides from 3-5.

Commissioner Kirk:

- Kevin stated the guys will get things ready for the parade. The guys have been busy getting the flags up for Veterans Day and then taking them down and putting the decorations up for Christmas. They repaired a water main break on Mapleleaf Dr. There will need to be

some driveway repair there after the winter. Day to day operations, they have talked about the Taylor project, is scheduled to meet with him, did have a conversation with him and talked about pricing. The price that we have is \$36,500 is a not to exceed bid, but Kevin believes there are things we can do to scale the project down and still be satisfied that it will hold for 25-40 years which is what we are looking for. He will know more after Monday. Mayor notes that the ARPA spending that we only have the one meeting in December and these funds need to be spent. Kevin noted the materials are in stock and it shouldn't be an issue.

#### Commissioner Ridge:

- Jamie noted that we are in need of a new skid steer which Todd has gotten quotes on. \$67,817.00 includes bucket & street sweeper. The forks that we have should work with a new one. Kevin noted we do have an old street sweeper but it creates so much dust that we don't use it. The one with the new skid steer will pick up. The board discussed its main purpose for the drying beds. Kevin noted that the front loader was purchased for this last year. Todd stated that it was difficult to use the front loader on the drying beds. Wanda asked if the Taylor project doesn't work out could ARPA funds be used on this. Jamie noted the first quote was for the John Deere and the CAT is more at around \$74K, the forks would not come with the John Deere but do with the CAT but the CAT doesn't have the other attachments. Jamie asked for Todd to get a new quote for the John Deere with Forks
- Jamie noted that we have postponed flushing the fire hydrants until Monday the 27<sup>th</sup>, after Thanksgiving. That will give them an entire week to get it done.
- Jamie said it looks like things are improving at the sewer plant. Todd added that the tanks are doing better and the smell is better aside from what's in the drying beds.
- Mayor did ask about the smell, said he smelled it in town but not by the sewer plant and if they noticed anything. Sue Tinkle noted that she's noticed if the wind is coming from a certain way she can smell what she thinks is what they are spraying on the fields.
- Fehr Graham Training – Kevin stated that we were supposed to receive something from Matt, Jamie stated that we did get it. Matt is supposed to get with the clerk regarding getting reimbursed from some other expenditures.
- A motion was made by Jamie, seconded by Kevin to approve the Time and Material contract from Fehr Graham for the water/wastewater CMOM implementation program not to exceed \$10,000.00  
Aye: Fred, Jamie, Wanda, Kevin, Mayor Bargo  
Nay: none

#### Mayor Bargo:

- Mayor noted that last year Christmas bonuses were given at \$75 for part time employees/officers and \$200 for full time employees/supervisors.
- A motion was made by Wanda, seconded by Jamie to give Christmas bonuses at \$75 for part time employees/officers and \$200 for full time employees/supervisors.  
Aye: Fred, Jamie, Wanda, Kevin, Mayor Bargo  
Nay: none
- Mayor noted that he knows we've discussed the potential of using ARPA funds on Taylor as well as the skid steer. Fred asked if he was planning on using the funds on this budget

or next budget. Jamie noted he isn't sure what's in this budget. Next meeting will have the budgets. ARPA funds have to be spent by December 31<sup>st</sup>. Mayor would like to use some of those funds for the generator for the police/maintenance garage. Tad has given a price of \$16,500.00 for this. Will run water controls, fuel controls, etc.

- A motion was made by Fred, seconded by Wanda to purchases the GENERAC generator for the maintenance building in the amount of \$16,500.00

Aye: Fred, Jamie, Wanda, Kevin, Mayor Bargo

Nay: none

- Mayor spoke on the Girl Scouts project. Mayor noted that the Girl Scouts would like to build a gaga ball pit as part of their bronze award. Mayor turned it over to Tonya Hucks to explain more. Tonya noted that there is a delay with the pollination garden so the girls are looking for something they can move forward with. They have one out at the Boy Scouts Camp Drake, so the Girl Scouts are interested in doing a gaga ball pit for their bronze award at the town park. A standard pit is 26 x 26. Tonya believes there is an area by the splash park that it would be able to fit. They would also do a container to hold balls, they would furnish the first balls but then when they are gone it would be on kids to bring their own. The ground would need to be leveled, materials, dirt/sand lumber etc. It would need to be completed by September of 2024 for their Bronze award. The board would like to see more of a plan including rough cost, size, location, etc. Including the possibility of relocating equipment.

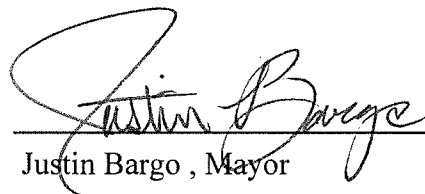
#### Chief of Police

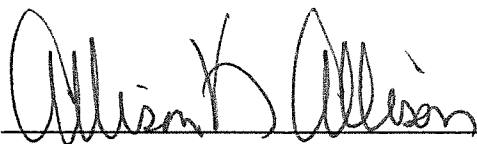
- Tad says thank you for going forward with the generator.
- Thank you to the board for the Thanksgiving gift cards for the officers
- SRO are still going well.

A motion was made by Kevin, seconded by Jamie to adjourn the meeting by vote.

Aye: Fred, Jamie, Kevin, Wanda, Mayor Bargo

Nay: none

  
Justin Bargo, Mayor

  
Allison K. Allison, Village Clerk