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Village of Catlin County of Vermilion, State of Illinois February 10, 2025

The Council of the Village of Catlin met in the Village Board room for a Study Session at 6:00pm with Mayor Justin Bargo presiding. Mayor Bargo called the meeting to order at 6:01pm and instructed Village Clerk Autumn Lange to call roll.

Roll Call:

Mayor: Justin Bargo

Commissioners: Fred Rinehart, Ross Wilson and Kevin Kirk, present

Absent: Wanda Schmit Village Clerk: Autumn Lange

Also Present: Greg Phillips and Kyle Janesky

The Study Session's purpose was to go over various items that each department is interested in, including for the next fiscal year's budget.

The first item that was discussed was Flock Safety cameras that the Police Department is interested in purchasing. The cameras would be installed at each entrance into the Village that can read license plates and connect to a Nationwide System that would flag for suspended driver's licenses, suspended license plates, stolen vehicles, any criminal activity that would be linked to that license plate number, etc. There are multiple towns with these cameras installed in Vermilion County and the police department believes this could be an asset to our village. The quote that was provided is only for Vehicle Recognition, they do not record any speeds. The officer who was present at the meeting, Kyle Janesky, stated that he was in support of them because it would give the officers much more information to work with when on duty. The annual cost associated with the cameras is \$3,000 so if they were to be installed at each desired location, it would cost the Village \$15,000 annually. Installation costs would be \$650.00 for a County/Township Road and \$1,250 for an IL DOT road.

Commissioner Rinehart then went over the Budget vs. Actuals with the board. Since we are exceeding where we need to be currently and will be going over the budget, we should not make any major purchases between now and May. Purchases should be monitored by each commissioner so that we can limit spending as much as possible over the next few months. He encouraged all the commissioners to get with their superintendents for their departments to discuss potential purchases, break down line items, etc. so that we can make our next budget as accurate as possible. The board then reviewed all line items in the budget for General, Water and Wastewater.

When going through each line item, salaries for each department were discussed and the board agreed that they would like to pay certain public works employees who work in all departments, General, Water and Wastewater, out of those budgets accordingly moving forward instead of just under the Streets department that falls under General.

The board discussed the purchase of Solar Panels was not budgeted for but when they apply for the tax credit, within three weeks, we will receive over 90% of those funds reimbursed.

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The mayor went through some large purchases/line items that certain departments are interested in, that include:

Adding more solar panels to the Village Hall and Wastewater Treatment

Launching the GoGov app for the Village (was approved at a previous meeting but holding off until the next budget)

Sewer Camera

Digital Speed Signs

Generator for Public Works/Police Garage

Purchasing a new Digital Sign at the 4-Way Stop

Larger Plow for the Front Loader

New Mower for Public Works

Mini Excavator

IL Codification Services - Rewriting our Village Ordinances

Public Works Garage Expansion

Fence around the Township Lot

Salary Increases for Police, Streets, Water and Wastewater

Village Hall Building Upgrades

Motion to adjourn meeting at 7:45pm by Fred Rinehart and Seconded by Kevin Kirk. Aye: Rinehart, Wilson, Kirk and Bargo

Autumn Lange, Village Clerk

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