STATE OF ILLINOIS } REGULAR MEETING
COUNTY OF CHRISTIAN } SS. December 4, 2017
VILLAGE OF STONINGTON }

The Board of Trustees met in Regular Session Monday, December 4, 2017, at 7:00 p.m. in the Village Hall.

The Meeting was called to order by President pro tem, David Blakeman with the following Members present:

President: Ryan Marucco (Absent)

Trustees: David Blakeman, Bruce Dowdy, Ray Likes, Todd Thomason, Andrew Callan,

and Jordan Adams

Clerk: Jill Gilpin

Treasurer: Kevin LeVault Superintendent: Jeff Tumiati

Village Engineer: Steve Bainbridge

Village Attorney: Scott Garwood (Absent)

Chief of Police: Travis Peden Zoning Officer: Doug Hoy

Others in attendance: Debbie Niles, Office Manager; Officer Kyle Corriveau; and, Allen Barringer, Village Employee

Minutes of the Regular Meeting November 6, 2017 were presented to the Board for their approval. **Motion** made by Dowdy, seconded by Thomason, that the Minutes be approved and filed as presented. Motion passed by all "Yea" votes.

The Treasurer's Report for the month of November was presented to the Board for their approval. **Motion** made by Dowdy, seconded by Likes, that the Treasurer's Report be approved and filed as presented. Motion passed by all "Yea" votes.

The Gas Report for the month of November was presented to the Board for their approval. **Motion** made by Blakeman, seconded by Dowdy, that the Gas Report be approved and filed as presented. Motion passed by all "Yea" votes.

The Water Report for the month of November was presented to the Board for their approval. **Motion** made by Thomason, seconded by Callan, that the Water Report be approved and filed as presented. Motion passed by all "Yea" votes.

The Sewer Report for the month of November was presented to the Board for their approval. **Motion** made by Likes, seconded by Dowdy, that the Sewer Report be approved and filed as presented. Motion passed by all "Yea" votes.

The Police Report for the month of November was presented to the Board for their approval. **Motion** made by Callan, seconded by Thomason, that the Police Report be approved and filed as presented. Motion passed by all "Yea" votes.

Bills against the Village were presented for the approval of the Board. **Motion** made by Dowdy, seconded by Likes, to approve and issue warrants for all bills. Motion passed by all "Yea" votes.

Zoning Officer's Report: There were no zoning permits in the month of November.

<u>President's Report</u>: President pro tem Blakeman read the "Thank you" from the Blue Mound food bank for money given in the name of Dale LeVault.

President pro tem Blakeman presented Vee Spikes' email informing us that the United States Postal Service has decided to move forward with acquiring the Stonington Police space as a possible option to lease. The offer from the Postal Service for the rental space is \$1,000 (\$12,000 annually) with a 5-year renewal rate offer of \$13,200 annually with a lease start date of January 1, 2018.

There was much discussion regarding either accepting the proposal or making a counteroffer.

Motion by Dowdy, seconded by Thomason, to accept the terms of the proposed lease agreement from Vee Spikes contingent on February 1, 2018 be the start date of the Lease. **Motion** failed with a roll call vote that went as follows: Dowdy "Yea"; Callan, "Nay"; Adams, "Nay"; Thomason, "Yea"; Likes, "Nay"; Blakeman "Nay". Motion failed with a 2-4 vote.

After further discussion on a counteroffer to the Postal Service.

Motion by Adams, seconded by Likes, to counter the Postal Office's \$1,000 monthly offer for rent with a \$1,200 monthly offer for rent and February 1, 2018 be the start date of the Lease. **Motion** passed with a roll call vote that went as follows: Dowdy "Yea"; Callan "Yea"; Adams, "Yea"; Blakeman, "Yea"; and Likes "Yea". **Motion** passed with a 5-0 vote.

President pro ten Blakeman asked for a **motion** to approve the Mutual Aid Agreement with the City of Assumption. **Motion** by Likes, seconded by Dowdy, to approve the Mutual Aid Agreement with the City of Assumption. **Motion** passed with a 5-0 vote.

<u>Village Attorney Report</u>: Nothing to report.

<u>Engineer's Report</u>: Engineer Bainbridge updated the Board on the construction of the water treatment plant upgrade.

<u>Superintendent's Report</u>: Superintendent Tumiati informed the Board that Rob Carls has looked at and will be getting appraisals for the Bobcat, Trencher, and the John Deere tractor.

Superintendent Tumiati advised the Board that is will cost \$4,200 to have the alley behind Gary Powell's repaired and rocked. If the alley has the center cut out and rocked it will cost between \$600 and \$1,000.

WATER – The Water Report for September 27-October 25, 2017 billing period was presented.

GAS – The Gas Report for September 27-October 25, 2017 billing period was presented.

SEWER – The Sewer Report for September 27-October 25, 2017 billing period was presented.

Committee Reports: STREETS & ALLEYS: Nothing to report.

HEALTH & SAFETY – Nothing to report.

FINANCE – Nothing to report.

WATER – Nothing to report.

SEWER – Nothing to report.

GAS – Nothing to report.

Officer Peden discussed with the Board the discontinued defibrillator that is in the squad car. A refurbished defibrillator costs \$1,000 and a recertified defibrillator costs \$750. No action taken.

President Marucco set the date and time for the January Regular Meeting as Wednesday, January 3, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. in the Village Hall.

With no further business coming before the Board, a **motion** was made by Callan, seconded by Thomason, to adjourn the Meeting at 7:58 p.m. Motion passed by all "Yea" votes.

APPROVED:	
Ryan Marucco, Village President	

ATTEST:		
Jill Gilpin, Village Clerk		