

**MINUTES OF THE
REGULAR MEETING OF THE
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
January 5, 2010**

A meeting of the Village of Tolono ("Village") Board of Trustees ("Trustees") was held on Tuesday, January 5, 2009, pursuant to notice. The following Trustees were present: Steve Bonner, Mike Golish, Jeff Holt, Jeff Revell and Jim Snodgrass. Trustee Foley and Mayor Plackett were absent. Others present were: Attorney Marc Miller, Clerk Dixie Phillips and Engineer Tom Overmeyer. Following a motion made by Trustee Holt and seconded by Trustee Revell to have Trustee Snodgrass act as Mayor pro-tem, the motion carried. Trustee Snodgrass called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

The first order of business was the reading and approval of the minutes for the December 15 meeting of the Trustees. Following a motion made by Trustee Goish and seconded by Trustee Revell, the minutes were approved as presented.

Public Comments:

Ed Gregg, owner of Lu & Denny's, said that he had heard that the liquor license fees were being raised and presented his opinion on the increase. Trustee Golish told him that the Trustees have not made any changes to the liquor ordinance yet and that it was being reviewed and that there would be a public meeting for comments and suggestions. Mr. Snodgrass said the ordinance was from the 1960s and Trustee Holt told Mr. Gregg that the Trustees are attempting to bring all ordinances to the table to update them. Mr. Gregg also commented that there were too many bars in Tolono but that it would be impossible to cut any of them out because that was their livelihood.

Reports:

The approval of the Audit Report was tabled until next meeting. Mr. Golish said he is attempting to have prepared a Village Income Analysis report for the Trustees to review at the meetings.

The approval of the Treasurer's Report was tabled until next meeting.

Mr. Overmeyer reported on his meeting with IDOT and said it sounds very favorable to the Village to get a stoplight at Route 45 and Holden Street. He will report back as the project progresses.

Mr. Overmeyer also reported on the status of the SW Drainage project. He said that there were still some concerns about one of the owners of the land. Mr. Miller and Trustee Holt agreed to contact a family member and arrange a meeting to explain everything in hopes that the easement will be signed.

Old Business:

Following roll call on a motion was made by Trustee Snodgrass and seconded by Trustee Holt, to approve An Ordinance Approving and Authorizing the Execution of a Tax Increment Financing District Redevelopment Agreement by and between Village of Tolono and Great Plains Land Development, LLC (for Kinderwood South Subdivision - Phase III), the motion passed with Trustee Golish abstaining, Ordinance No. 10-01.

Following roll call on a motion was made by Trustee Revell and seconded by Trustee Snodgrass, to approve An Ordinance Authorizing Execution of an Option to Purchase Real Estate, the motion passed with Trustee Golish abstaining and Trustee Holt voting no, Ordinance No. 10-02.

The Trustees reviewed the Tickler File with the Trustees and noted there has been great progress in some areas and not so great in other areas.

New Business:

The sewer credit for Absolute Style was tabled until further review of the matter.

Trustee Snodgrass advised the Trustees that Mayor Plackett had told him that the salt spreader on one of the trucks had gone bad and probably cannot be fixed. A new spreader will cost in the range of \$3,800. A straw vote was taken and it was agreed that Trustee Bonner would look into this and, if appropriate, purchase a new spreader not to exceed \$3,800 and report at the next meeting.

Trustee Bonner suggested to the Trustees that when there is snow or slush on the roads, no snow truck should be driving around with its blade up. If the trucks are being used they need to be removing snow/slush from the roads. Trustees Golish and Holt concurred.

Trustee Revell reported that a small child had been seen riding in one of the trucks plowing snow. Mr. Miller advised that the superintendent should be notified that no one should be in Village vehicles except Village employees.

Trustee Snodgrass reported that Mayor Plackett had told him that one of the office computers had crashed, a new one purchased, and that the data is being transferred to the new one.

Trustee Bonner asked about time clocks for Village employees. The Trustees discussed equipment that provides GPS and time entry at the same time. Trustee Golish will check into this and report back. Clerk Phillips said she would check with her company to see if they were willing to sell the time clocks they had.

Trustee Holt also reported that he believed the zoning ordinance concerning the Board of Appeals needed to be reviewed and be revised because a \$300 fee is required in

order for a zoning matter to be reviewed and is non-refundable regardless of the outcome. Trustee Snodgrass said that the fee is non-refundable because the Village does not pay them for their meetings. Trustee Holt will speak with Frank Norton concerning the matter.

Following a vote on a motion made by Trustee Golish and seconded by Trustee Holt, to pay the bills, the motion carried.

There being no further business to discuss, Trustee Holt made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Mr. Golish. The meeting adjourned at 8:07 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Dixie L. Phillips, Clerk