

**MINUTES OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING  
FEBRUARY 9, 2015  
VILLAGE OF CLAYCOMO, MISSOURI**

The recessed Board Meeting of January 26, 2015 was called to order at 7:00 pm by Chairman Stoufer.

Trustee Harvey, seconded by Trustee Powell, moved to adjourn the Board Meeting of January 26, 2015. All yeas. Motion carried.

The regular meeting of February 9, 2015 was called to order.

**Present:** Trustees Barker, Harvey and Powell; Chairman Stoufer, Chief Coonce; Chief Stewart, and Clerk King.

**Absent:** Trustee Cooper

Chairman Stoufer requested that all stand for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Trustee Barker moved, seconded by Trustee Harvey, to approve the minutes of the Special Meeting of January 23, 2015. All yeas. Motion carried.

Trustee Harvey moved, seconded by Trustee Barker, to approve the minutes of the Special Meeting of January 26, 2015. All yeas. Motion carried.

Trustee Barker moved, seconded by Trustee Harvey, to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of January 26, 2015 with stated corrections. All yeas. Motion carried.

Trustee Barker moved, seconded by Trustee Harvey, to approve the Payment of Bills for the period of January 23, 2015 – February 5, 2015. All yeas. Motion carried.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

Trustee Powell asked about the following:

1. When would Clerk King's 6-month evaluation be done since his anniversary date was February 3. She also asked when Department head evaluations would be done. Chairman Stoufer recommended all future evaluations be done in January for Department head personnel. A time would be set up to conduct the evaluations for this year.
2. She asked about the life of ~~street~~ **stop sign decals** since we are in the process of replacing them. Jason Wallace replied signs are usually good for ten (10) years.
3. She stated the park lights which were not working before now were working and the ones working were not. She asked if Jason could look into them and get fixed.
4. She asked if the insurance company had ever reimbursed us for the work done on 109 S. Drake back in July/August. Clerk King responded he had not heard anything from them since his email to them in October. He would follow-up with another call and letter to the adjuster.
5. **Laceda Electric is out of business and their company sign should be removed.**

Trustee Barker informed the audience that the light to the I-435 north ramp had been fixed. Chairman Stoufer stated he called MDOT once he heard about the light and they had it fixed the next day.

Trustee Barker asked about the Garden Show posted on the website. Clerk King replied the EDC had discussed and agreed putting together a spring event for the community and had a general outline of what the event would look. Trustee Barker indicated she knew nothing of this and it had not been presented to the Board. She requested, and supported by Chairman Stoufer, that no information/activity should be

posted on the website until approved by the Board **and that any, and all, minutes including minutes from the EDC should be provided to the Board.** Clerk King will remove the posting immediately.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Mr. Bud Hensley, resident, thanked the Village for helping in getting his fence fixed by the property owner at 425 Park. He was pleased with the repairs done. He did ask if more dirt was going to be put in the front yard as it still was completely filled in. It was acknowledged that more work was needed. He asked if the Village could look into the concrete the owner of the property had placed in the back yard and filled over with dirt. His concern was the slope created may possibly cause water to now run off in the direction of his property and create problems. Jason Wallace will look into the request.

Linda Calligan, resident, asked if the Board could look into having microphones and a sound system for the Board meetings. It is difficult for her, and others agreed, to hear the discussion of the meetings even though she is sitting up close to the Board table. The Board agreed to look into getting the sound system fixed and having it for use at future meetings. She also asked about the dumping on Park Street. Discussion was held if Blue Nile Contractors or the Road District may be the ones involved. Chairman Stoufer asked Chief Coonce to have the Nuisance Officer look into this and determine who may be dumping.

Dale Goeller, resident, stated the dumping has created a change in elevation on the property which may be impacting the water flow in the creek. Chairman Stoufer asked Clerk King to contact the DNR and Corp of Engineers to have them come out and evaluate the property. **It was also mentioned that Blue Nile had been dumping water into the creek which had left some type of sediment.**

Linda Calligan asked if it was true that Debbie Crossley had been fired from City Hall. Clerk King replied this was not accurate. He had been evaluating the staffing needs of the office since starting in the position. After several months of understanding the full responsibilities, he made the determination that the office could be staffed with three persons. Debbie had been notified of this in early January and a transition plan was put in place with her last day of employment near the end of January.

The discussion and approval of the Audit bids was tabled until the next Board meeting due to the absence of Mr. Bruce Culley one of the auditors under consideration.

Trustee Barker moved, seconded by Trustee Harvey, to approve the rezoning of the property located at 228 E. Park Ave (Lot 34) from Zone A (residential) to Zone D (commercial) at the recommendation of the Zoning Board. All yeas. Motion carried.

The Zoning Board informed the Board during their process with the rezoning application for the property at 228 E. Park Ave, it was discovered that the property at 226 E. Park (Lot 33) was still recorded as residential. The property was purchased by Blue Nile Contractors several years ago and has been conducting business as if the property was commercial. The prior owner also had used the property as commercial for some time. There had been an assumption by all parties that the property was zoned as commercial. For some unknown reason this had not happened and recorded appropriately with the County.

Trustee Barker moved, seconded by Trustee Powell, grandfather the property due to the number of years as commercial use and approve the rezoning of the property located at 226 E. Park Ave (Lot 33) from Zone A (residential) to Zone D (commercial) at the recommendation of the Zoning Board. All yeas. Motion carried.

Chairman Stoufer thanked the Zoning Board for all their efforts in this process and for their continued work in reviewing all the properties within the Village.

Trustee Barker moved, seconded by Trustee Harvey, to approve the new business license for Traditional Logistics & Cartage, LLC located at 461 E. 69 Hwy. **They are contracted by Ford to handle all Transit logistics requirements for a 1 year period.** All yeas. Motion carried.

Trustee Barker moved, seconded by Trustee Powell, to approve the two sign permits for Guiding Light Inspectors, LLC located at 9 NE Munger Road subject to the Building Inspectors approval. All yeas. Motion carried. **This application was received late and was not included on the original agenda.**

Trustee Powell asked the Board to consider changing the sign ordinance from a square foot rate to a flat rate to make it easier to determine fees and possibly increase revenues for the Village. Trustee Barker also mentioned that we have a number of billboards in the Village which she didn't believe have paid fees for several years. Decision was made to evaluate the current ordinance to see if there was a benefit in possibly changing to a flat rate.

The reading of Bill No. 2961 was tabled to review the entire liquor ordinance section and not just the Sunday sales detailed in the bill.

Trustee Powell asked how the Amnesty Week went for the Village. Clerk King replied he did not have the exact revenue generated but 14 individuals with warrants did come in for a court date on February 3<sup>rd</sup> and paid their fines.

Trustee Harvey welcomed Chief Coonce back from his recent health issues.

Chief Coonce informed the Board the 2011 Crown Vic Police Vehicle (Unit 103) was in need of a new transmission. He received a quote of \$1,900 for rebuilding the transmission. **Trustee Powell asked for a second quote before determining which vendor to accept.** Trustee Barker moved, seconded by Trustee Harvey, to approve having the transmission rebuilt not to exceed \$1,900 and to receive a second quote before proceeding. The purchase will be made from the Police Vehicle Maintenance Fund. All yeas. Motion carried.

Trustee Barker, seconded by Trustee Harvey, moved to go into Executive Session to discuss pending employee matters and that all records be kept sealed and confidential according to RSMo 610.021 (3). Trustee Barker - yea, Trustee Harvey - yea, Trustee Powell - yea and Chairman Stoufer - yea. Motion carried. Recessed at 8:30 pm.

The meeting was called back to order at 8:53 pm.

There being no further business with the Board, Trustee Powell moved, seconded by Trustee Harvey, to recess the meeting subject to the call of the Chairman. All yeas. Motion carried. Recessed at 8:54 pm.

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Dennis W. King, Village Clerk

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Jim Stoufer, Chairman  
Board of Trustees