

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
February 4, 2014**

A meeting of the Village of Tolono Board of Trustees ("Board") was held on Tuesday, February 4, 2014. Trustees present: Beth Erwin, Greg Kingston, and Ryan Perry; Trustees Mike Golish, Beth Hewing and Kent Plackett were absent. Others present were Denny Davis and Roger Hayden from the Tolono Fire District, Mayor Holt, Attorney Marc Miller, and Clerk Dixie Phillips.

The meeting was called to order at 6:40 p.m. by Mayor Holt and Clerk Phillips took roll call.

Public Comments:

Mr. Davis advised the Board that the Fire Association would like to have a raffle at Lu & Denny's on Saturday, April 26, 2014, to raise money for the Association. Because of the gaming machines at Lu & Denny's, he was told that the Village needs to provide a letter stating that Lu & Denny's has nothing to do with the raffle. Mr. Davis said it would be like the raffles in the past wherein there will be no guns on the premises; the raffle ticket allows them to be picked up at the gun shop. The Board polled itself and found no reason not to allow the raffle. Mr. Miller will provide the necessary letter to the Fire Association.

Tom Schweighart advised the Board that the road in front of Monical's and the alley had not been plowed and he had seen the plow truck plowing Casey's several times and he would appreciate it if his business was treated the same as others. Mr. Schweighart angrily left and a discussion began between Mayor Holt and Mr. Kingston concerning how to handle the situation.

Public Works Department - No report

Reports:

No engineer report.

Mr. Miller gave an explanation about the tax bond levy, after which, Mr. Perry moved, seconded by Ms. Erwin, to approve the Ordinance Abating a Tax Levy in Connection with the Issuance of 2013 Alternate Revenue Bonds, Village of Tolono, Champaign County, Illinois – Ordinance No. 2014-02; motion passed.

Approval of Minutes:

Trustee Perry made a motion, seconded by Trustee Erwin to approve the January 21, 2014 minutes as presented; motion carried.

Old Business:

The vote on the Tolono Fire District's (Fire District) TIF application was deferred to the next meeting because of lack of Trustees in attendance. Mr. Kingston said that he felt that the Fire District needed to

get the financial contribution, property and other stuff in order. The Board authorized Mayor Holt to work with the Tolono Fire District to get as much information as possible for the project.

Following further information needed, Mr. Miller was authorized to prepare an ordinance to vacate a portion of Galloway Street and will attempt to have it for action at one of the March 2014 meetings.

New Business:

Mr. Haydon presented a summary of the Champaign County Emergency Management Agency (“CCEMA”) seminar held January 29, 2014. He said that it belonging to Illinois Public Works Mutual Aid Network (“IPWMAN”) would be beneficial to the Village because if a disaster occurs and they are not part of IPWMAN, FEMA will not assist without local governments without a fight. The fee is based on the number of residents and for Tolono the fee would be \$100 per year. Following discussion, Mr. Perry moved, seconded by Ms. Erwin to approve the fee of \$100 to join IPWMAN. A roll call vote was taken and the following votes were cast passing the motion:

Beth Erwin – Yes

Mike Golish – Absent

Beth Hewing – Absent

Greg Kingston – Yes

Ryan Perry – Yes

Kent Plackett – Absent

Mr. Holt advised the Board that Randy Grace approached him and asked if the Board had any objections to the fundraiser for the Central State Spikes Travel Baseball Teams based in Tolono was moved to February 8, 2014 due to weather. The Board had no objections.

Mr. Perry questioned about a remedy when a Trustee consistently is absent if there is no good reason for the absence. Mr. Miller said that a Trustee can only be removed for negligent actions.

Mr. Perry inquired about the status of obtaining a building inspector and Mayor Holt said he was visiting with someone about it. Mr. Perry said one needs to be hired because of new homes being built and possible easement violations.

Mr. Holt advised the Board that he had spoken to a contractor and would have an estimate of the cost for putting in a pocket door between the Village office and its conference room for review and/or approval at the next meeting

Mr. Perry advised the Board that he had someone approach him concerning part-time work at the Village to remove snow. Mr. Holt said that he was hiring part-time help at minimum wage to assist the Public Works Department and to have him come in and fill out an application. Mr. Holt also advised the Board that Dan Williams said he would assist.

Executive Session:

At 8:04 p.m. Trustee Perry made a motion, seconded by Trustee Erwin to enter into Executive Session to discuss the performance, compensation, and/or employment of one or more Village employees. A roll call vote was taken and the following votes were cast passing the motion:

Beth Erwin – Yes	Mike Golish – Absent	Beth Hewing – Absent
Greg Kingston – Yes	Ryan Perry – Yes	Kent Plackett – Absent

At 9:25 p.m., Trustee Perry made a motion, seconded by Trustee Kingston to leave Executive Session and return to Open Session. A roll call vote was taken and the following votes were cast passing the motion:

Beth Erwin – Yes	Mike Golish – Absent	Beth Hewing – Absent
Greg Kingston – Yes	Ryan Perry – Yes	Kent Plackett – Absent

Mr. Perry made a motion, seconded by Mr. Kingston to approve a one-time pay adjustment for full time employees of \$150 and part-time employees of \$75 for employees still employed with the Village as of February 5, 2014. A roll call vote was taken and the following votes were cast passing the motion:

Beth Erwin – Yes	Mike Golish – Absent	Beth Hewing – Absent
Greg Kingston – Yes	Ryan Perry – Yes	Kent Plackett – Absent

Mr. Perry asked if the village could have more snow routes in the Village to eliminate parking on the streets for a certain timeframe so the streets could be cleaned better.

There being no further business to discuss, Trustee Perry made a motion, seconded by Trustee Kingston to adjourn the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 9:29 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Dixie L. Phillips, Clerk