Village of Dieterich
Village Board Minutes
January 6, 2025

The Dieterich Village Board met in regular session on Monday, January 6, 2025 at 6:30 p.m. at Dieterich Village Hall located at 103 W. Section Street.

The meeting was called to order by President Brad Hardiek and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

The following Trustees were present: Fred Bray; Pam Hartke; Matt Flowers and Carrie Galbraith. Trustees Bill Lane and Berdeena Leturno were absent. With four Trustees and President Brad Hardiek present, a quorum was declared to be present. Also at the meeting were: Village Clerk Brittny Gipson, Maintenance Supervisor Mike Campbell and Village Engineer Lee Beckman.

A motion was made by Trustee C. Galbraith; seconded by Trustee M. Flowers to approve the omnibus agenda: approve minutes of the December 16, 2024 regular meeting, approve the Treasurer's Report, approve Expenditures, and approve Per Diem Pay. Roll call was 4 yes and 0 no.

Engineer Lee Beckman reported the East Section Street storm sewer project is substantially complete. Seeding and mulching will be completed in the spring. The price A&R gave for the additional sidewalk work in the project area was substantially higher than what we expected. We are going to seek other quotes for that sidewalk work to finish out the project. The sidewalk installation will not be completed until spring, so we have some time.

Lee reported the Safe Routes to School sidewalk project is complete and the final walk through was held with IDOT. There were some punch list items noted, but with the cold weather, they cannot be completed until spring when the temperature warms up.

Lee reported the third home in the flood buyout project has been demolished and the site is leveled and cleaned. The weather has turned too cold to seed and straw, so that part of the project will be completed in the spring. The demolition of the fourth home in the buyout was awarded to H&K Excavating. The two neighboring homes are also coming up for demolition bid soon. H&K Excavating is waiting to begin demolition of the fourth home until after the bid opening results of homes five and six are announced. H&K will be bidding on the demolition of five and six and would like to complete all three homes at once, if they are low bidder again.

Engineer Beckman reviewed the CDS grant project scope for relining all existing clay sanitary sewer mains that are remaining in the village limits. The CDS Lee's office is working on the IEPA funding portion of the project. There will be 30% principal forgiveness and a low interest loan for the amount of the project the CDS grant will not cover. The EPA application is due March 31st and we should know the results of our application by July 2025. M&G will camera all sanitary sewers in the project prior to beginning the construction plans.

Maintenance Supervisor Mike Campbell discussed bag worm treatment options with the Board for the North Pointe berm and park. Bag worms were spotted this past fall. Mike is going to complete more research and report back to the Board.

Mike reported the flashing light on the water tower had been replaced, but there are still more lights that need to be replaced. He is working with an EJ Water employee on this project, since they have the proper certifications and equipment to climb water towers.

Mike thanked Higgs Welding for allowing us to use one of their large plow trucks during our recent snow event. The Village's plow trucks were not large enough to plow some of the snow drifts, and their truck was a huge asset.

Mike reported he was going to look into scheduling the annual floor waxing at the Civic Center during the spring months.

A motion was made by Trustee C. Galbraith; seconded by Trustee P. Hartke to approve an agreement with the Illinois Department of Transportation for the resurfacing of Main Street from Rt. 33 to Church Street. Roll call was 4 yes and 0 no.

There was a scrivener's error was made on New Business item 2 of the agenda. The agenda item should have read "Consider for approval Change Order #2 from EJ Water for a $8,861.60 deduct for the LSLI pot holing project work." The Change Order was listed as #1 in error.

A motion was made by Trustee C. Galbraith; seconded by Trustee F. Bray to approve Change Order #2 from EJ Water for an $8,861.60 deduct for the LSLI pot holing project work. Roll call was 4 yes and 0 no.

A motion was made by Trustee M. Flowers; seconded by Trustee C. Galbraith to approve the Final Pay Estimate from EJ Water for $18,064.20 for the LSLI pot holing project work. Roll call was 4 yes and 0 no.

A motion was made Trustee P. Hartke; seconded by Trustee C. Galbraith to approve Ordinance 1184-2025: Authorizing the Transfer of Real Estate (Accent Design Concepts – Lot 10 Hartke Subdivision). Roll call was 4 yes and 0 no.

In Other New Business, the mandatory increase of minimum wage was discussed. For anyone age 18 or over, the minimum wage increased from $14 to $15 per hour on January 1st. All current front desk employees at the Wright Family Center, except one, are aged 18 or over. The Board agreed to increase all employees at the Wright Family Center to $15 per hour, regardless of their age.

At 7:31 p.m. a motion was made by Trustee P. Hartke; seconded by Trustee F. Bray to adjourn the meeting. Roll call was 4 yes and 0 no.

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Brad Hardiek, President

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Brittny Gipson, Clerk