

# VILLAGE OF WAPELLA

Village Hall  
312 Main Street – P. O. Box 148  
Wapella, Illinois 61777

## BOARD MEETING – MINUTES March 21, 2017

Regular Meeting

7:00 pm

### I. ROLL CALL – 7:00 pm

Name	Title	Status
Nancy Falk	Trustee	Present
John Goergen	Trustee	Present
Suzanna Holland	Trustee	Absent
Mandy Huff	Trustee	Present
Rich Karr	President	Present
Sherry Mears	Trustee	Present
Ryan Carter	Trustee	Present
Steve Mahrt	Village Attorney	Present
Lauren Johnson	Village Clerk	Present

### Pledge of Allegiance

### II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

#### 1. Village Board – Regular Meeting – February 21, 2017

Result:	Motion to amend minutes to add John Goergen and Suzzana Holland's comments
Moved:	John Goergen
Seconded:	Sherry Mears
Ayes:	Nancy Falk, John Goergen, Mandy Huff, Sherry Mears, Ryan Carter
Nays:	

### III. APPROVAL OF OKAYED BILLS

Result:	Approved
Moved:	John Goergen
Seconded:	Sherry Mears
Ayes:	Nancy Falk, John Goergen, Mandy Huff, Sherry Mears, Ryan Carter
Nays:	

### IV. Department Reports

#### A. Streets

No water main breaks.

**B. Health and Safety**

Suzanna absent.

**C. Water**

Nancy addressed water bill issue. No water main breaks.

**D. Zoning**

511 Division needs a variance permit.

**E. Finance**

Just one high bill (that Clyde explained later in the meeting).

**F. Water Operator**

n/a

**G. Clerk**

Clerk explained she was on vacation the previous month.

FOIA report: average of one FOIA a week; talked to the Attorney General's office about disclosing the water billing registers - information that discloses the names, addresses, account numbers and account balances - PAC determined that only the home address can be redacted; had a single FOIA request that equates approximately 1300-1400 pages.

In response to Request for Reviews, clerk made PAC aware that clerk was out of the country and that it was not a noncompliance issue.

Discusses water billing issues: clerk states there was a late charge applied to most accounts on a day that she was out of the country. Bills are unable to be reprinted and there were some errors in printing. Clerk hand addressed and mailed bills for more than 10 hours. Nancy Falk and Lauren Johnson will be meeting later in the week to adjust each bill affected.

**V. PUBLIC COMMENT**

Ed Fleck - Robert's Rule of order should guide meetings; curious about special fund for water SC; Clinton uses same water billing system.

Vernon Meadows - Why are we still talking about Cale Price?

Mark Miller - Wants minutes from December amended.

Dale Karr - Cale Price should finish one project before starting another; FOIAs are outrageous.

Sharon Riddle - Thinks people should act more respectfully.

Kim Donovan - Water bills, W2s, and 1099s are personal information.

Mary Katherine Meadows - FOIAs are something you have to do [as clerk]; clerk's position is thankless.

**VI. NEW BUSINESS**

**A. Thomas Brame request for a liquor license to create and sell wine.**

Looking at approval for a liquor license to develop DBA of Wildcat Country Winery - a place to create and sell wine.

Motion to grant Thomas Brame a license on condition his property get rezoned before he opens.

Result:	Approved
Moved:	Mandy Huff
Seconded:	John Goergen

Ayes:	Nancy Falk, John Goergen, Mandy Huff, Sherry Mears, Ryan Carter
Nays:	

**B. Neal Kuester**

Lack of segregation of duties; allocation of wages for employees - need to be coded properly; contact bank regarding pledge securities.

**C. Vicki Holland**

Discuss park origins, grant info, park blueprints. Stipulations of grant - the park must remain a park.

**D. Discuss New Water Billing System**

New system is an upgrade, makes it more compatible with other programs, waiving 1/2 training costs, current system is not user friendly.

Motion approve new software program for \$4050

Result:	approved
Moved:	Nancy Falk
Seconded:	Sherry Mears
Ayes:	Nancy Falk, John Goergen, Mandy Huff, Sherry Mears, Ryan Carter
Nays:	

**E. Backhoe**

Under warranty, will get fixed.

**F. Cale Price Settlement**

Steve explains that he must remove mobile home by July 21, and then submit new plans to village. Needs to be zoned for commercial purposes to sell firewood.

Motion approve the agreed order that Cael Price's trailer be gone by July 21, 2017

Result:	approved
Moved:	Sherry Mears
Seconded:	John Goergen
Ayes:	John Goergen, Mandy Huff, Sherry Mears, Ryan Carter
Nays:	

**G. Garage Doors**

Clamps are broken, need fixed.

Motion to approve fixing two garage doors not to exceed \$1300

Result:	approved
Moved:	Sherry Mears
Seconded:	John Goergen
Ayes:	John Goergen, Mandy Huff, Sherry Mears, Ryan Carter
Nays:	

**Motion to go into Executive Session.**

<b>Result:</b>	approved
<b>Moved:</b>	Ryan Carter
<b>Seconded:</b>	Mandy Huff
<b>Ayes:</b>	John Goergen, Mandy Huff, Sherry Mears, Ryan Carter
<b>Nays:</b>	

**I. ROLL CALL return from closed session.**

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**Motion to recess meeting until Thursday March 23 at 6PM**

<b>Result:</b>	approved
<b>Moved:</b>	Sherry Mears
<b>Second:</b>	Mandy Huff
<b>Ayes:</b>	John Goergen, Suzanna Holland, Mandy Huff, Sherry Mears, Ryan Carter
<b>Nays:</b>	