

Minutes
City of Villa Grove, Illinois
Committee of the Whole Meeting
December 28, 2020

Call to Order—Roll Call: The City Council of the City of Villa Grove met in committee session on Monday, December 28, 2020, in Council Chambers. Mayor Eversole-Gunter called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Roll call found the following members present: Aldermen Pangburn, Blaney, Johnson, Griffith, Hooker and Garrett. City Administrator Athey and PW Director Arbuckle were present. City Clerk Osborne was absent.

Pledge of Allegiance: The Mayor stood and led all attendees in The Pledge of Allegiance.

Public Comments: There were no members of the public present.

Mayoral Reports: The Mayor said that she had nothing outside of the upcoming executive session.

City Administrator Reports: Athey reported that Melinda Retter, part-time janitor of the City's Senior Center, had died unexpectedly over the weekend. She noted that funeral services were not available yet, but that she would like to make a donation from the City according to the family's wishes once the obituary becomes available; Council concurred. Athey also noted that the City's TIF attorney had determined that there are two more years' payments due to the developers of Pheasant Pointe, estimated to be about \$140,000 each year.

Athey also noted that she had attended the opening of the three water projects bids in the offices of Fehr Graham on Friday, December 18. Each project had a separate low bidder, and the total of the projects was about \$70,000 over the original engineer's estimates. She noted that Andy Kieser had participated in the opening via conference call and that he was sure that the IEPA would approve the higher cost and that 50% of the total would still be available for loan forgiveness. These items will be on the next voting agenda as "Intent to Award" as the full authorization for the vendors to begin work cannot be done until the IEPA approval is received.

Other Reports: There were no other reports given.

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Discussion of Pending Business: There were no items presented.

Executive Session: Alderman Garrett motioned to enter closed session under the Open Meetings Act according to Section 2(c)(1) for Personnel. Alderman Johnson seconded the motion. Roll Call: Blaney, yea; Johnson, yea; Griffith, yea; Hooker, yea; Garrett, yea; Pangburn, yea. Council entered closed session at 6:08 p.m. and returned to open session at 7:08 p.m.

Adjournment: With no further items to be discussed, all members concurred to conclude the meeting at 7:09 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jacqueline S. Athey

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City Administrator

xc: Mayor
City Council
Building Inspector
Department Heads
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