

# Village of Deer Creek

101 W. First Ave. PO Box 38

Deer Creek, IL 61733

Tuesday October 18, 2022

## MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF DEER CREEK HELD AT DEER CREEK VILLAGE HALL.

Village President Jim Hackney called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

### I.) ROLL CALL

**Present:** Trustees Judy Cremeens, Mary Eschelbach, Grant Hackney

**Present via remote:** Trustee Stefanie Lee Berardi

**Absent:** Trustees Ross Kraemer, Jake Smith

**Also Present:** PWS Gordon Robertson, Jeff Rogers, Chief Lally, Attorney Grant Schricker, Clerk Lori Lewis

### II.) APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

Trustee Hackney moved, and Trustee Cremeens seconded the motion to approve the Consent Agenda as presented.

#### On roll call the vote was:

**Ayes:** 4 – Cremeens, Eschelbach, Hackney, Lee Berardi

**Nays:** 0 - None

**Absent:** 2 – Kraemer, Smith

There being four affirmative votes...**Motion Carried**

**III.) PUBLIC COMMENT** – Village resident Josh Rossman, introduced himself to the board. He and his wife are new to town and will be decorating their property for Christmas with a synchronized light show. They would like to close down their block of Third Avenue on December 3 from 4 to 8 p.m. for the grand opening. They invite friends and the community, serve cookies and hot chocolate, and run the show. Then it will run nightly through Christmas. The board will allow Third Avenue to be closed from Jackson Street to Mason Street on that night. Traffic will be routed from Third to Jackson Street. Barricades will be provided. The public is invited to bring their lawn chairs and come watch the show.

### IV.) REPORTS

A. **Public Works Department** – None.

B. **Planning/Zoning Board of Appeals** – None.

C. **Police Chief** – The monthly report was reviewed. Officers Nelson and Lewis received their promotions to Sergeant and Corporal respectively.

D. **Engineer** – The Main Street project has been sent to IDOT for review and approval.

E. **Attorney** – Attorney Schricker reported that the village is able to recover attorney costs associated with the Bates clean up. He also discussed the most recent letter sent to Mr. Bates regarding the clean up of the trees/weeds and vehicles on the property.

### V.) OLD BUSINESS

Discussion continued regarding the employee retirement plans. Those employees interested in IRAs can look at the plans and determine what their needs are.

Trustee Hackney moved, and Trustee Eschelbach seconded the motion to approve the health insurance from BC/BS up to \$893.77 per month for Officer Nelson effective January 1, 2023.

**On roll call the vote was:**

**Ayes:** 4 – Cremeens, Eschelbach, Hackney, Lee Berardi

**Nays:** 0 - None

**Absent:** 2 – Kraemer, Smith

There being four affirmative votes...**Motion Carried**

**VI.) NEW BUSINESS**

Trustee Cremeens moved, and Trustee Hackney seconded the motion to approve the IMLRMA annual contribution for insurance in the amount of \$24,603.99, including IML membership of \$150.

**On roll call the vote was:**

**Ayes:** 4 – Cremeens, Eschelbach, Hackney, Lee Berardi

**Nays:** 0 - None

**Absent:** 2 – Kraemer, Smith

There being four affirmative votes...**Motion Carried**

Trustee Eschelbach moved, and Trustee Cremeens seconded the motion to approve and authorize the village president to sign the vendor agreement with Tazwood Community Services for water payment assistance.

**On roll call the vote was:**

**Ayes:** 4 – Cremeens, Eschelbach, Hackney, Lee Berardi

**Nays:** 0 - None

**Absent:** 2 – Kraemer, Smith

There being four affirmative votes...**Motion Carried**

Trustee Hackney moved, and Trustee Cremeens seconded the motion to approve the Class “A” liquor license and the gaming license requested by Laughing Gas, Inc. d/b/a K and M Village Tap for a term of one year, beginning November 1, 2022 and ending October 31, 2023 as recommended by the police chief and liquor commissioner.

**On roll call the vote was:**

**Ayes:** 4 – Cremeens, Eschelbach, Hackney, Lee Berardi

**Nays:** 0 - None

**Absent:** 2 – Kraemer, Smith

There being four affirmative votes...**Motion Carried**

**VII.) CALENDAR ITEMS**

Committee Meetings	November 14	6:00 p.m. at village hall
Regular Village Board	November 15	7:00 p.m. at village hall
Pancake & Sausage Supper	November 12	At DMIS
Christmas Lights @ the Rossman's	December 3	
Breakfast with Santa	December 10	9 a.m. to 11 a.m.

**VIII.) ADJOURNMENT:**

There being no further business to conduct, Trustee Cremeens moved, and Trustee Hackney seconded the motion to adjourn.

The board unanimously approved the motion by voice vote and the meeting adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Lori Lewis  
Village Clerk

**Village of Deer Creek**  
**Committee Meeting Minutes**  
November 14, 2022 ~ 6:00 p.m.

The committee meetings were called to order. They were held at Village Hall.

Present: Judy Cremeens, Mary Eschelbach, Grant Hackney, Ross Kraemer, Stefanie Lee Berardi, Jake Smith

Also Present: Village President Jim Hackney, Jeff Rogers, Officer Nelson, Clerk Lori Lewis

**Street**

- No updates from IDOT yet on the Main Street reconstruction project.
- A list will be gathered for sidewalk work to be done next year. \$15,000 has already been approved and this number may need to be updated.

**Water**

- Hydrants have been prepped and flagged for the winter.

**Sewer**

- None.

**Park & Community Events**

- The park has been winterized.
- The 2 new benches have arrived and should be installed this week.
- One of the new trees and dies and should be replaced soon.

**Finance, Administration & Development**

- Trustee Eschelbach asked to have a discussion pertaining to possible economic development ideas within the village. The downtown area is a particular area of concern. Discussion included what the community needs may be, how and who to reach out to as far as development. The clerk will make contact with current building owners and schedule a Planning/ZBA meeting for January to do some planning for growth in the coming year.
- The committee will recommend adopting the resolution designating ARPA funds for the construction of solar panels for WTP #1.
- The committee will recommend the 5% increase (rounded down) for the 2023 tax levy.

**Police**

- The committee discussed Chief Lally taking home a squad vs paying to install lights in his personal vehicle. The recommendation is to pay to have the lights installed in his vehicle as he previously discussed with the village attorney. No take-home vehicle.

- Health insurance for Officer Nelson was discussed again. The plan selected is about \$150 per month more than the plans discussed last month. Open enrollment is between November 1 and December 15 and coverage will begin January 1.

Additional items discussed:

1. Trustee Eschelbach voiced her concerns over the closing of Third Avenue for the Christmas Lights show.
2. The quote from Rusty's Door Service for garage door openers at the police department was reviewed. Additional quotes will be obtained along with costs for material only.
3. Employees will each receive \$100 cash for Christmas again this year.

There being no further business to discuss, these meetings were adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,



Lori Lewis  
Recording Secretary  
Village Clerk

**VILLAGE OF DEER CREEK**  
 Monthly Treasurer's Report

Report information generated from 10/01/2022-10/31/2022

**GENERAL FUND CHECKING**

Beginning Balance	<b>104,133.14</b>
Tax Receipts	25,122.35
Police Revenue	1,418.00
Payroll Transfer	8,000.00
Additional Income	2,437.83
Interest	4.44
Payroll	(27,391.88)
Warrants (Bills Paid)	(94,041.43)
Ending Balance	<b><u>19,682.45</u></b>

**OPERATIONS & MAINTENANCE FUND CHECKING**

Beginning Balance	<b>2,082.51</b>
Transfer from W&S Fund	15,000.00
Payroll Transfer	(8,000.00)
Warrants	(7,436.01)
Ending Balance	<b><u>1,646.50</u></b>

<b><u>ADDITIONAL FUNDS</u></b>	<b>Beginning Balance</b>	<b>Revenue Deposits</b>	<b>Withdrawals</b>	<b>Interest</b>	<b>Account Balance</b>
General Savings	251,578.27	0.00	0.00	0.00	251,578.27
Water & Sewer Checking	5,407.01	24,249.69	20,000.00	0.00	9,656.70
Depreciation Checking	48,715.50	5,000.00	0.00	15.11	53,730.61
Police Evidence Fund Checking	1,727.03	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,727.03
Motor Fuel Tax Checking	110,459.22	2,383.49	0.00	4.76	112,847.47
CD 24-month (backhoe)	42,122.30	0.00	0.00	0.00	42,122.30

**TOTAL CASH ASSETS**

Current Month:	492,991.33
Previous Month:	566,224.98

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# Village of Deer Creek

## Bills Paid & Payable Report

November 2022

### General Fund

Ag-Land	fuel	
Ameren IL	park	52.12
Ameren IL	street lights	208.88
Ameren IL	village hall/community center	25.85
Blue Cross/Blue Shield IL	Rogers	547.94
Blue Cross/Blue Shield IL	Lewis	2,028.59
BB Community Leasing Services	backhoe payment	1,437.16
Delta Dental	1/2 dental/vision insurance	109.68
Digital Copy Systems	monthly & annual contract	78.00
Kathleen Rogers	CC cleaning	150.00
Markley's Pest Elimination Services	monthly	50.00
Lewis, Yockey & Brown	Main Street	2,391.50
Lewis, Yockey & Brown	general	110.00
GFL Environmental	recycling pick ups and market costs	660.42
Ginoli & Company	final - audit	2,850.00
Municipal Clerks of IL	annual dues	45.00
Courier Newspapers	ann treas rpt; election notice	318.24
Getz Fire Equipment	annual maintenance	719.00
Nena Ace Hardware	supplies	46.78
Midwest Equipment		362.05
Verizon Wireless		84.14
Frontier		117.58
	Total general expenses:	<u>12,392.93</u>

### Police Expenses

Ag-Land	fuel	
Hawk-Attollo	office	70.47
Bill Lally	monthly phone	40.00
Markley's Pest Service	monthly	35.00
Motorola Solutions	starcom	90.00
TC3	quarterly dispatch	
Ragan Communications, Inc.	monthly	14.69
Woodcom		552.00
Mediacom	telephone	51.59
Verizon	aircards for squads @ 44.85 ea	132.87
Dan Nelson	equipment	44.46
Ray O'Herron	gun racks	1,409.43
Leman Automotive	17 Explorer brakes	783.26
Mikael Jordan	IT	250.00
	Total police expenses:	<u>3,473.77</u>

### Police vehicle expenses:

Dana Safety Supply	push bumper	655.00
Ray O'Herron	laptop mount	303.45
	Total new vehicle expenses:	<u>958.45</u>

**Total General Fund Expenses:** 16,825.15

## November 2022 Bills Payable Report

### Operations & Maintenance

Ag-Land	fuel	
Ameren Illinois	water tower	42.20
Ameren Illinois	lagoon	
Ameren Illinois	pumphouse	141.02
Nicor	pumphouse	64.27
Nicor	lagoon building	222.19
Delta Dental	1/2 dental/vision insurance	109.68
Essence Chemical Company	lift-off	533.80
Pace Analytical Services, LLC	water & sewer testing	314.36
SJ Smith	welding supplies	60.72
VODC General Fund	payroll transfer	6,249.45
	<b>Total O&amp;M Expenses:</b>	<b><u>7,737.69</u></b>

### Credit Card Charges

postage	418.28
subscription	107.88
material supplies	825.94
police	466.30
	<b><u>1,818.40</u></b>



11/11/22

**Deer Creek General Fund  
Payroll Summary  
October 2022**

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	Hours	Oct 22
<b>Employee Wages, Taxes and Adjustments</b>		
<b>Gross Pay</b>		
Clerk/Collector	120	3,530.76
Operator O&M	40	738.46
Police Chief	160	4,615.38
Trustee Salary Quarterly		1,275.00
Hourly	32.25	451.50
Maintenance - General	216	4,464.00
Maintenance - O&M	216	4,464.00
Maintenance - OT	9.5	313.50
Police	215	5,052.50
Vacation - Police	16	376.00
Vacation Hourly Rate		0.00
<b>Total Gross Pay</b>	<u>1,024.75</u>	<u>25,281.10</u>
<b>Adjusted Gross Pay</b>	1,024.75	25,281.10
<b>Taxes Withheld</b>		
Federal Withholding		-2,597.00
Medicare Employee		-366.58
Social Security Employee		-1,567.43
IL - Withholding		-1,251.43
Medicare Employee Addl Tax		0.00
<b>Total Taxes Withheld</b>		<u>-5,782.44</u>
<b>Net Pay</b>	<u><b>1,024.75</b></u>	<u><b>19,498.66</b></u>
<b>Employer Taxes and Contributions</b>		
Medicare Company		366.58
Social Security Company		1,567.43
IL - Unemployment Company		20.73
<b>Total Employer Taxes and Contributions</b>		<u><b>1,954.74</b></u>

Deer Creek General Fund  
 Income Details  
 October 2022

	Oct 22	May - Oct 22
<b>Income</b>		
Community Center rentals	250.00	1,020.00
Interest	4.44	137.21
Liquor License Fees	600.00	2,100.00
Misc. Income	463.14	92,810.20
Payroll Transfer	8,000.00	33,740.67
Permits and Fees	844.69	3,894.34
Recycling	0.00	2,139.08
Special Projects Income	0.00	878.51
<b>Tax Receipts</b>		
Cannabis Use	79.12	534.71
Income Tax	10,759.15	59,934.19
Local Use Tax	2,048.06	12,519.93
Replacement Tax	952.07	2,721.49
Sales Tax	6,872.67	54,438.89
<b>Tazewell County</b>		
Corporate	0.00	114,790.12
Road and Bridge	0.00	8,362.39
<b>Total Tazewell County</b>	0.00	123,152.51
<b>Woodford County</b>		
Corporate	0.00	10,597.27
Road and Bridge	0.00	611.77
<b>Total Woodford County</b>	0.00	11,209.04
Utility Tax	2,489.92	15,350.85
Utility aggregate	0.00	621.29
Video Gaming Tax	1,209.01	6,818.76
Simplified Telecomm Tax	712.35	3,923.01
<b>Total Tax Receipts</b>	25,122.35	291,224.67
<b>Police Department</b>		
Goodfield Reimbursement	0.00	108.00
<b>Fine Income</b>		
Drug Enforcement/DUI	17.50	205.50
Tazewell County Fines	106.50	458.70
Woodford County Fines	1,294.00	4,470.14
<b>Total Fine Income</b>	1,418.00	5,134.34
Goodfield Contract	0.00	36,250.00
Ordinance Violations	0.00	200.00
Police Reports	0.00	30.00
<b>Total Police Department</b>	1,418.00	41,722.34
<b>Total Income</b>	36,702.62	469,667.02
<b>Expense</b>	0.00	0.00
<b>Net Income</b>	<b>36,702.62</b>	<b>469,667.02</b>