Village of Illiopolis Board Meeting Minutes

March 7, 2022

Mayor Rogers called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

A roll call was taken, all members were present except B. Honea. J. Swick was present by phone.

**Agenda**

Agenda was adopted as presented.

**Minutes**

M. Pevler made a motion to approve the February 21st meeting minutes with J. DeVore seconding. Motion carried 3-0-1 with R. Reed abstaining.

**Visitors**

Dawn Fischer and Hal Galvin representatives of Ameresco were present to discuss a solar project proposal.

Ameresco, Inc., a leading cleantech integrator and renewable energy asset developer, gave a presentation to the Board concerning a proposed solar lease for approximately 50 acres at the former Formosa site.  Applications for Brownfield competitive solicitation are due April 6th. Traditional

Community solar applications opening in June of 2023.

This is one of 3 solar proposals for the industrial site.  Once all have presented to the Board, a determination will be made on how to proceed.

 **Open Forum**

**Treasurer’s Report**

**Engineering Report**

**Old Business**

Employee Handbook was discussed. The Mayor asked the attorney if he had anything for the handbook, the attorney said that he will get the procedure in place and send it to us.

**New Business**

D. Koonce made a motion to adopt Resolution 22-03 authorizing the participation in the preparation of a Multi-jurisdictional Natural Hazards Mitigation Plan with M. Pevler seconding. A roll call was taken, motion carried 4-0-0.

M. Pevler made a motion to approve the building permit for Bob Barrett’s garage, with R. Reed seconding. Motion carried 4-0-0.

D. Koonce made a motion to approve the Raffle License for the Sangamon County Farm Bureau, with R. Reed seconding. Motion carried 4-0-0.

**Dilapidated Property**

D. Koonce was told that the owners of the old video store had paid the taxes on it, he thought maybe they will do something with it. The Mayor said he hadn’t heard that, but he would check in to it.

**Comments**

J. Swick mentioned about the issue the township was having with their water bill. Mayor Rogers said he thought he knew what the problem was and would check in to it.

Mayor Rogers was contacted about a vicious dog that may have bitten someone. He contacted Animal Control to investigate. They have not been able to contact the dog’s owner.

The Mayor also mentioned that he was contacted that there were some roosters running loose on a public property, and was asked to contact Animal Control. The Mayor said that he did call animal control and they would come out and pick them up if he wanted them to. He told the Board that he didn’t want to spend the money to have them come out and pick up the roosters, because not only would there be the cost of picking them up, there would probably be an additional cost if they had to be destroyed. The Board agreed.

D. Koonce made a motion to adjourn at 7:35 pm with R. Reed seconding.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lori Correa, Village Clerk