The March 2, 2021 Board Meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M. by President Keneipp.

Trustees present: Dial, Richards, Swartzendruber, Tarbuck, Williams

Trustees absent: Frazier

Also present: Chief Daryl Weseloh, Supt. of Public Works Mike Schopp, and Administrative Support Specialist Michelle Moriconi.

A **motion** was made by Williams and seconded by Tarbuck to approve the 02.16.2021 Board Meeting Minutes.

Approved by roll call vote.

Ayes: Dial, Richards, Swartzendruber, Tarbuck, Williams.

Nayes: None.

Weseloh addressed the board. He presented the January 2021 and February 2021 Minier Police Monthly Activities Reports. He stated that all three squad cars are back in working order. Weseloh informed the board of a change of scheduling at the Police Department due to schedule changes at the full time jobs and other commitments of some of the part time officers. We are still in need of part time officers.

Weseloh reported the Community Claus Spaghetti dinner will take place at St. John’s on March 4th. Swartzendruber added that there are 160 dinners reserved thus far.

Weseloh presented the board with an update on the fundraising and progress of the Minier Dog Park. Clerk Horner was able to locate the fencing for the project on sale at Lowe’s. The fencing has been ordered and delivered to the Village. The dog photos to be taken by Amy Williams of LifePrint Photography on March 20th was received very well by the public. Since all 18 of the original session spots filled up quickly, Amy Williams opened up two more spots, one of which is still available. Weseloh discussed the potential for corporate sponsorship with several businesses. A sign is being created that will act as a visual representation of the funds raised. He reminded the board that the goal is to raise at least half of the $30,000 budget through the dog photo session, sale of the calendars, and sponsorships.

Schopp addressed the board. He stated that water meters had to be estimated this month because of the snow and Public Works being shorthanded. He reminded the board that Phil and Kent were both out when the meters were read.

Schopp reported that a leak was located and repaired. He stated that the water meter numbers were steady and now they are fluctuating, which leads him to believe there is another leak.

Schopp stated that several light poles in Minier are being replaced. He addressed difficulty replacing the poles at Minier Assembly of God and Peoria & Main and further explained that the issues are being resolved by working with Wes, the Ameren engineer for this area.

Schopp reported that the internet speed has been slow in the office since the installation of the fiber-optic internet. He stated that the Cat 5 cable might be slowing the speed of the internet down, so it will be replaced with a new Cat 6 cable.

Schopp voiced that Well 3 appears to not be operating correctly and may need to be pumped and fixed. This issue will be discussed further at the Long-Range Planning Meeting on March 16th.

Schopp concluded his reporting with stating that the Public Works Department has completed taking down the Christmas decorations and will be filling pot holes this week. He also stated that the Public Works Department is continuing to monitor and pick up brush from the storm.

A **motion** was made by Williams and seconded by Dial to approve the monthly bills as presented and allowed.

Approved by roll call vote.

Ayes: Dial, Richards, Swartzendruber, Tarbuck, Williams.

Nayes: None.

A **motion** was made by Williams and seconded by Richards to approve the transfer of $30,000 from IL Fund General Fund to General Fund Checking.

Approved by roll call vote.

Ayes: Dial, Richards, Swartzendruber, Tarbuck, Williams.

Nayes: None.

A **motion** was made by Williams and seconded by Tarbuck to approve the transfer of $23,000 from Clearing Fund to Operation and Maintenance Checking Fund.

Approved by roll call vote.

Ayes: Dial, Richards, Swartzendruber, Tarbuck, Williams.

Nayes: None.

President Keneipp stated that he has seen several trucks at Dollar General and is anticipating their opening soon. He addressed Schopp for an update on the shelter house at the grade school park. Schopp stated that it is structurally sound and he will be looking at the roof soon. Keneipp addressed Schopp once more questioning if he has had any communication with OPBA regarding their concession stand. Schopp stated that he has not heard from OPBA about this matter. President Keneipp reminded the board that the Planning Meeting will take place at 6 P.M. on March 16th.

A **motion** was made by Williams and seconded by Swartzendruber to adjourn into Executive Session at 7:24 P.M. pursuant To 2(C)11 of the Open Meetings Act to Discuss Litigation, when an action against, affecting or on behalf of the particular public body has been filed and is pending before a court or administrative tribunal, or when the public body finds that an action is probable or imminent, in which case the basis for the finding shall be recorded and entered into the minutes of the closed meeting.

Ayes: Dial, Richards, Swartzendruber, Tarbuck, Williams.

Nayes: None.

Abstain: None

A **motion** was made by Tarbuck and seconded by Williams to enter into Open Session at 7:40 P.M.

Ayes: Dial, Richards, Swartzendruber, Tarbuck, Williams.

Nayes: None.

Abstain: None.

A **motion** was made by Swartzendruber and seconded by Tarbuck to adjourn at 7:42 P.M.

Ayes: Dial, Richards, Swartzendruber, Tarbuck, Williams.

Nayes: None.

Abstain: None.

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Neill Keneipp, Village President                Michelle Moriconi