

State of Illinois  
County of Iroquois  
Village of Loda

March 11,2015

The Village of Loda Board of Trustees held there regular monthly meeting on March 11,2015 at 7:00 p.m. at the Loda Village Hall. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all present. Roll call was taken present was President Ronald Dudley, Treasurer Joyce Gharst, Clerk Sandra Zalaker, Trustees Ronda Breeden, Carol Arseneau, Roy Hillgendorf, John Zalaker, Patricia Allen, Village Attorney Dale Strough, The Treasurer in training Myles Reck. Not present was Greg Eckley.

MINUTES: Trustee Arseneau made two corrections to minutes . (1.) on second page where garbage letters sent need names : 107 South Elm is Tom Edison and Cheryle Clerys, 401 East Jefferson is Brandon Thompson and Micheal Shamy. (2) where Myles Reck was hired to train with Joyce as new Treasurer for when she retires he starts March 1,2015 and his pay also starts March 1,2015. Trustee Hillgendorf motioned to approve the minutes as corrected seconded by Trustee Arseneau. All were in favor. Motion carried. Trustee Arseneau motioned to wave the reading of the minutes seconded by Trustee Allen. All were in favor.Motion carried.

ERH- No work report.

IKE GRANT - No report.

Sanitary District - No report.

OLD BUSINESS:

Building Inspector - President Dudley has not had chance to talk to anyone yet. Trustee Arseneau will talk to a guy who is a building inspector that is working at her house first name Josh and ask him what he would charge and let board know.

Loda Big Mart Liquor License- was brought up a couple months ago he wanted a liquor license so he could have gameing machines but he did not want to serve individual drinks , so he would not qualify for Class A License. Raj at Loda Big Mart has sense changed his mind. He wants to block one section of the room off and he will serve the individual people playing the games he will serve them individual drinks , beer is all he will serve. Trustee Arseneau stated she is still not for it because to many kids go in there and we would have to see a plan on how it would be blocked off. He needs to have a plan first . . Trustee Zalaker asked if we did issue it can we still issue one to Owl Nest if someone were to want one. Trustee

Arseneau stated she believes can up the amount of Liquor Licenses in the Village. Ordinance says 2 but could change ordinance. We will table till shows us a plan.

Clerk Zalaker - No report.

Treasurer Gharst- The Budget is not ready it's a work in progress. The Audit - I would like to get Stan Fellers to audit my books he has always audited them. Hes the cheapest one I can find but I need the board to approve that or not approve that. Trustee Arseneau mad a motion to hire Stan feller to do our audit hes always done a good job for us in the past. Trustee Allen seconded motion . Roll call vote was taken Trustees Ronda Breeden , Carol Arseneau, Roy Hillgendorf, John Zalaker, Patricia Allen all yes. (5 yes votes and 0 no votes ), motion carried.

Resignation - Treasurer Gharst stated you all have a copy of my resignation. President Dudley read aloud resignation: Please consider this my written notification and plans to retire as Loda Village Treasurer and Water Billing Clerk on July 8, 2015. I have worked for the Village of Loda for over 25 years and it is time to move on. Its been great working with most of you over the years and I've learned a lot. I think Myles will be a good fit for this job and I hope he enjoys it as much as I did. Thanks to all of you for your help and support over the years. Joyce Gharst. Trustee Hillgendorf motioned to accept Treasurer Joyce Gharst resignation and was seconded by Trustee Arseneau. All were in favor motion carried.

Trustees Allen , Zalaker and Hillgendorf - no report .

Trustee Arseneau- In our minutes we recived a copy of the letters sent , (to residence for Ordinance violations ). They are very vague they need the names and property addresses on them and they need a copy of Ordinance sent to them for future reference.

Trustee Breeden - asked Pesident Dudley if he talked to township about the cameras . President Dudley stated he did not make it to meeting , if he could get hold of Tom Mueller then they can bring it up at the next meeting. There next meeting last Tuesday of the month.

#### NEW BUSINESS:

President Dudley - A lady who does not live in the Village approached me about wanting window frames painted she noticed the window frames are flakeing and she volunteered to paint them for us if we wanted it done. Hitchens is her last name , lives out at Bayles Lake. If she is volunteering to do it let her do it we will provide the paint. President Dudley will find out.

Clerk Zalaker- Everyone should be getting the Economic Interest Paper in the mail to send back to Watseka and when they come back you will have to give them to me to put in the file cabinet. They wanted me to mention it to make sure you all got one in case I needed to give somebody one.

Treasurer Gharst - no report.

Trustees- Ronda Breeden - No report, Carol Arseneau- (1). Pat McCabe approached me about a hole by his mailbox from plowing snow over the years theres quite a hole there he would like the Village to fill that hole in with gravel or something. (2). The water collection box out here got damaged. What do we want to do we probably should invest in a new one. It looks broken into the metal piece is bent on it. Treasurer Gharst I had 6 people say they put their water bills in there and I don't have them. Trustee Arseneau this box came from Mailbox.com it's a heavier mailbox would like to get the same kind. Think run about \$100.00 I havent checked lately. Trustee Arseneau motioned to purchase a new water box seconded by Trustee Allen. Roll call vote was taken Trustees Breeden , Arseneau, Hillgendorf, Zalaker, Allen all said yes. (5 Yes votes and 0 No votes) . Motion carried. Trustee Arseneau stated with that being said I also think we had people who lost their checks and had to reissue them because it was broke into, if they bring proof from the bank that they had to pay a stop payment on the check we should deduct that from their bill, but they need proof from bank. Treasurer Gharst I also think those people shouldn't get penalties. (3). Loda Fire District - Brought a liquor license application, for their cash bash its going to be held August 15 , 2015 from 3:00 p.m. to 11:30 p.m. . I have everything need from them ,application copy of insurance and their check. Trustee Breeden motioned to accept Loda Fire District application for Liquor license for Cash Bash being held on August 15,2015 from 3:00 p.m. to 11:30 p.m. . Seconded by Trustee Zalaker . Roll call vote was taken Trustees Breeden , Arseneau, Hillgendorf, Zalaker Allen all said yes. ( 5 Yes votes and 0 No votes ) . Motion carried.

(4.) Loda Truck and Tractor Accociation - has requested to obtain a liquor license and also permission to have the event in the Village. Kim Smith ( Vice President of Loda Truck and Tractor Association ) asked board if they filled out all the information for liquor license if they could have one for July 25 and July 26 ,2015 for the event.They already got permission from Goben ( property owner) . For liquor license need letter from Goben and a copy of his insurance, then copy of your liability insurance, a \$50.00 check and the application. Trustee Arseneau made motion to give them

permission to have the event in our Village on July 25 and 26 ,2015 and liquor license will be pending on the application and that we have everything back at next board meeting April 8,2015. Seconded by Trustee Allen. Roll call vote was taken, Trustees Breeden, Arseneau,Hillgendorf, Zalaker, Allen all said yes . ( 5 yes votes and 0 no votes ) motion carried.

(5)Trustee Arseneau wanted President Dudley and Trustee Zalaker to explain how a new building can be built out at Mullberry Lane Farms when they did not get a building permit. Trustee Zalaker stated last summer when he was at Mullberry Lane Farm the Aardsmas said they were resideing the garage that was already there and putting a driveway in. Now when I talked to Mrs. Aardsma today she said they added a building over top the pad where the old building use to be years ago. So I told her that is kind of a grey area so she said if we brought over a building permit application she would fill it out. President Dudley- when she talked to me on the phone I was assuming it was the same kind of building in the same kind of spot. It is the same spot but not the same building ,so I went over and talked to them today and told them they should get a building permit.Trustee Arseneau so how are we going to classify this since they do have a new building? President Dudley - we would probably classify it as a new building , that's what it is. Trustee Zalaker - They repaired the garage that was there . There was an adjacent pad and foundation up to it and they went ahead and built over it to, so that's why I told her Sandy (clerk) would come over tomorrow with a building permit application and draw all out and we'd have to figure it out. President Dudley - its on the same foundation. Trustee Hillgendorf- same foundation like somebody adds a porch on. Trustee Zalaker -That building was torn down several years ago only part of it but not the whole building. Trustee Allen - They are still in violation ,they are not far enough back. President Dudley- Building was already there before they bought the place. Trustee Arseneau- so your saying it was one of those things that was Grandfathered in ? President Dudley Yes. Now if they would have torn the whole thing down and started from scratch they would had to move it. Trustee Zalaker- one part of the building was there and they just resided it and then they added on over top the other pad . Now when I talked to them last summer I was under the understanding they were just residing and pouring a driveway in front of it, so today when I called her it's not what they did they added on also over the existing pad. Trustee Arseneau have either of you actually been out thereto see the building ? President Dudley I was out there today. Trustee Zalaker I was out there last summer. Mr. Aardsma asked me if he had to have a permit to pour a driveway and I

went out there to see where they were putting it at. Trustee Arseneau my question is do you think there is still an old garage in there that they resided ? President Dudley no that is why I suggested he contact Sandy ( clerk ) to get a building permit. Trustee Zalaker they have to get a building permit application for the building they put up over the old pad. President Dudley yeah but the building looks almost all new. Trustee Arseneau in our ordinance it states being as though they added on they should have gotten a permit first and any application has to be brought before the whole board for approval which they violated both of those. So I don't know what you guys think but to me that is a whole new building and they should have to pay for a new building. Trustee Zalaker - (Clerk ) Sandy is going to take them a building permit application tomorrow and get building drawn out on there and she's going to give a check whatever the fee is and look at it at the next meeting. If they did tear it completely down I do have a problem with it being built so close to road. President Dudley but the foundation stayed they didn't tear it down and leave it a few years they sided it. I think they built the new one so they can have doors going in from the east instead of south .Trustee Arseneau- when i drove past theres a door to the road is that so they can drive into it. My concern is if there isn't a driveway existing there and if they go to put one in they're going to block our ditch. Trustee Zalaker - They'd have to put a culvert in under it. President Dudley will get that straightened out when he fills out the building permit and we can check it. The square footage as I understand it didn't change , but I could be wrong. Trustee Arseneau - oh yes it did. Trustee Zalaker - The square footage changed the way she told it to me. Trustee Allen they went from a 2car to a 3 to 4 car garage. President Dudley they didn't add to it they changed the roof line from the way it was before. Trustee Allen I have a problem with it because of that foundation because you have to have 20 feet set back. When they tore down old building they had to put a new foundation back. They used it cause it was in violation. Trustee Zalaker why don't we go over there and get it all measured out so we no exactly what were talking about for next meeting and figure out what were going to do. Trustee Allen I think if we approve this we need to change that ordinance so these people can not build on old foundations, that are close to the road. President Dudley there you go change the ordinance. Trustee Breeden once they tear building down should have to tear out foundation out to. President Dudley ok we will look into it ,he is suppose to fill out building permit . Trustee Arseneau ask him if he can get a drawn out plat to put with it. Trustee Arseneau made a motion to table it till next month . Seconded by Trustee Breeden. All were in favor .

Motion carried.

**BILLS:** Trustee Arseneau asked questions about Attorney fees. Trustee Arseneau made motion to pay the bills , seconded by Trustee Zalaker , roll call vote was taken Trustees Breeden , Arseneau, Hillgendorf ,Zalaker, Allen all said yes (5 Yes Votes and 0 No Votes ). Motion carried.

**PUBLIC:** Dave Arseneau - stated he uncovered 4 sewer covers on his street incase of rain so would drain faster . Newspaper man -wanted to know if board was going to anounce what was going on after get out of Executive Session. Trustee Arseneau answered no Attorney Strough stated ha was going to explain afew things to the board and advise the board but not suggest they take any action when come back into regular session.

Stated she might be able to help copy the big maps.

Trustee Arseneau made a motion to go into Executive Session . Trustee Allen seconded the motion. Roll call was taken Trustees Breeden, Arseneau, Hillgendorf, Zalaker, Allen all yes (5 Yes Votes and 0 No Votes ) motion carried. Board went into Executive Session at 7:32 p.m.. Regular meeting resumed at 7:55 p.m..Trustee Arseneau made a motion to adjourn and seconded by Trustee Zalaker . All were in favor. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:58 p.m..

Attest:  
Village of Loda Clerk  
Sandra Zalaker