

**VILLAGE OF UNION  
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES  
JANUARY 21, 2009**

The Union Village Board met in special session on Jan 21, 2009. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. at the ALA hall. The Open Meeting Laws are displayed. On roll call: T. McClane, Kahland, J. McClane, Wingett & Brown. Angela Minihan, representing Reinsch, Slattery & Bear, PC, LLO, was also present.

Chuck Wingett took his Oath of Office.

Minutes of the previous meeting were reviewed & were approved on a motion made by Kahland & 2<sup>nd</sup> by Wingett. Trustee votes are as follows: T. McClane – Aye, Brown – Aye, Kahland – Aye, Wingett – Aye, & J. McClane – Aye. Motion approved.

Claims & Accounts were presented separately. A motion to approve the claims & accounts was made by Wingett & 2<sup>nd</sup> by J. McClane. Trustee votes are as follows: T. McClane – Aye, Brown – Aye, Kahland – Aye, Wingett – Aye, & J. McClane – Aye. Motion approved.

Claims & Accounts  
Jan 21, 2009

NPPD	FIREBARN*	\$110.86	
	AREA LIGHT RENTAL	\$17.52	
	BALLFIELD**	\$35.26	
	WATER PUMP	\$486.28	
FIREBARN (TOWN BLDG)		\$52.44	
NEW TOWER (WATER)		\$15.79	
	TRAFFIC LIGHT	\$15.79	
	AREA LIGHT RENTAL	\$6.85	
	STREETLIGHTS	\$389.50	
	NEW SEWER PUMP	\$140.33	
	ALA HALL	\$31.27	
	CHRISTMAS LIGHTS	\$142.84	
REINSCH, SLATTERY & BEAR		\$307.70	
	COLUMBUS TELEGRAM	\$21.88	
NE PUBLIC HEALTH ENV LAB		\$201.00	
	ALLIED REFUSE	\$1,069.25	
	WINDSTREAM OFFICE	\$58.33	
			NOTICE OF HEARING
			WATER TESTS
			\$15.78 (50) & \$14.75 (10)

WINDSTREAM FIRE	\$86.77	
DEB MCWHA	\$572.95	
JOHNSONS GAS N GO	\$175.76	
STEVE MCWHA	\$1,301.03	Salary
GREAT PLAINS ONE-CALL	\$1.01	
MILLER-MONROE-FARRELL		
DRAKE'S PROPANE	\$459.92	FIREHALL
BESCHEINEN EARTHMOVING	\$60.00	PUSH UP BRUSH PILE
UTILITY SERVICES INC	\$3,142.45	WATER TOWER MAINTENANCE CONTRACT
WACONDA WELDING & AUTO	\$1,943.39	
SEND D	\$260.00	STREET SUPERINTENDENT

Correspondence included a thank you from the state for reporting tobacco license.

Village manager's report included the water usage for the month was 974,000 gallons, approximately 31,400 gallons per day. All water tests were good. Both of the sewer pumps ran for 109 hours. The truck's clutch was repaired & toggle switches in lieu of a new control box for the snow blade were put in. Received a schedule of fees from the state as to how much the future water tests will cost. For 2009, the cost will be approximately \$400.00 & for 2010, the cost will be approximately \$900.00. The costs are higher for 2010 because there are some tests that are required every 3 years. The farmers' wellhouse was repaired with green treated wood, cost \$60.00. Replace the float in the lift station & the vacuum pump froze up. Don't know if it's going bad or if the subzero temperatures are affecting it even though there is a heater. There is a water leak somewhere in town but even with assistance of NRD & board members, it has not surfaced yet. The pressure gauges were changed today.

Fire/Rescue Report. No report.

The Main Street Bldg Committee Chairman, Alan Long, requested a motion be made to accept the feasibility study report as written & a motion to disband the Main St Committee. Motion to accept the feasibility study was made by Wingett & 2<sup>nd</sup> by J. McClane. Trustee votes are as follows: T. McClane – Aye, Brown – Aye, Kahland – Aye, Wingett – Aye, & J. McClane – Aye. Motion approved. Motion to disband the committee was made by J. McClane & 2<sup>nd</sup> by Brown. Trustee votes are as follows: T. McClane – Aye, Brown – Aye, Kahland – Aye, Wingett – Aye, & J. McClane – Aye. Motion approved. Some concerns were voiced by John Vanderveen about how the village will support this building if the choice is a

community center stating this is a bedroom community & there is not enough activities to justify the expense. SENDD has stated there are funds available for this project.

There has not been a Park Board meeting for awhile. There are currently 3 active members with a possible 4<sup>th</sup>.

The following commissioners were appointed by T. McClane: Street Commissioner - Jim McClane; Sewer Commissioner – Chuck Wingett; Park Commissioner – Gaille Brown; Water Commissioner – Karen Kahland. Motion to approve appointments was made by Brown ^ 2<sup>nd</sup> by Kahland. Trustee votes are as follows: T. McClane – Aye, Brown – Aye, Kahland – Aye, Wingett – Aye, & J. McClane – Aye. Motion approved.

Water/sewer/trash bills were discussed. Some meters are questionable as to whether they work or homeowners are reading them correctly. Many of the shutoffs are damaged or broken which makes it difficult to shut off some homes. Motion to shutoff delinquent accounts & prepare notices to the homeowners was made by Wingett & 2<sup>nd</sup> by J. McClane. Trustee votes are as follows: T. McClane – Aye, Brown – Aye, Kahland – Aye, Wingett – Aye, & J. McClane – Aye. Motion approved.

One bid of \$30,000.00 to \$35,000.00 was received for demo & cleanup of the Main St building was opened. Clerk needs assistance to write specs to advertise for more bids. Wingett & T. McClane will assist. The bid was not accepted. Motion to advertise for more bids was made by Wingett & 2<sup>nd</sup> by Brown.

Motion to approve & authorize chairman & clerk to sign SSAR & street report certification was made by Wingett & 2<sup>nd</sup> by Brown. Trustee votes are as follows: T. McClane – Aye, Brown – Aye, Kahland – Aye, Wingett – Aye, & J. McClane – Aye. Motion approved.

Correspondence from Miller-Monroe-Farrell was received by Angie in reference to the Main Street building. Joe Miller suggested Angie write a letter on the clerk's behalf stating the village will accept \$12,500.00 plus \$3250.00 for debris cleanup. Motion to approve was made by J. McClane & 2<sup>nd</sup> by Wingett. Trustee votes are as follows: T. McClane – Aye, Brown – Aye, Kahland – Aye, Wingett – Aye, & J. McClane – Aye. Motion approved.

Chairman received a letter with some questions from Elmer Henderson. Some questions included status on mobile home @ 125 B St & some financial concerns. Motion to direct Angie to draft letter to the owners of the mobile home was made by Wingett & 2<sup>nd</sup> by Brown. Trustee votes are as follows: T. McClane – Aye, Brown – Aye, Kahland – Aye, Wingett – Aye, & J. McClane – Aye. Motion approved.

There was an issue about commercial refuse being placed in residential polycarts. Motion to contact the trash company to not pick up the commercial refuse was made by Wingett & 2<sup>nd</sup> by J. McClane. Trustee votes are as follows: T. McClane – Aye, Brown – Abstain, Kahland – Aye, Wingett – Aye, & J. McClane – Aye. Motion approved.

Motion to close special meeting @ 9:15 p.m. was made by Brown & 2<sup>nd</sup> by Wingett. Trustee votes are as follows: T. McClane – Aye, Brown – Aye, Kahland – Aye, Wingett – Aye, & J. McClane – Aye. Motion approved.

Motion to enter executive session was made by Brown & 2<sup>nd</sup> by Kahland. Trustee votes are as follows: T. McClane – Aye, Brown – Aye, Kahland – Aye, Wingett – Aye, & J. McClane – Aye. Motion approved.

Motion to exit executive session @ 9:30 p.m. was made by Wingett & 2<sup>nd</sup> by Brown. Trustee votes are as follows: T. McClane – Aye, Brown – Aye, Kahland – Aye, Wingett – Aye, & J. McClane – Aye. Motion approved.

Motion to re-enter special meeting was made by Brown & 2<sup>nd</sup> by J. McClane. Trustee votes are as follows: T. McClane – Aye, Brown – Aye, Kahland – Aye, Wingett – Aye, & J. McClane – Aye. Motion approved.

Motion to adjourn at 9:31 p.m. was made by J. McClane & 2<sup>nd</sup> by Wingett. Trustee votes are as follows: T. McClane – Aye, Brown – Aye, Kahland – Aye, Wingett – Aye, & J. McClane – Aye. Motion approved.

Next regular board meeting to be held Feb 11, 2009 at 7:00 pm at the ALA Hall.

Terry McClane  
Chairman