

VILLAGE OF EAGLE SPECIAL BOARD MEETING MINUTES
September 29, 2015
Approved

Call to Order/Open Meeting Law requirements: R. Spurrell called the meeting to order at 6:00pm. Open meeting law requirements were confirmed as being met.

Roll Call: G. Hein, J. Hoefakker, R. Spurrell, G. Scheff, L. Neuburg, J. Frisch, P. Jones all present

Pledge of Allegiance: Pledge of Allegiance was led by R. Spurrell.

Citizen Comments/Concerns:

J. Steinhart, 523 E. Main St. – voiced concerns regarding the Village Park, including whether woodchips were budgeted for the playground in 2016 and if whether anything would be done about the benches near the playground being dirty. G. Scheff explained that the Eagle Horseshoe Tournament Fund would be donating the cost of the woodchips in 2016 and stated that he would speak with Public Works Superintendent S. Deegan about cleaning up the benches.

S. Royston, 330 Appletree Ln – and J. Steinhart asked questions on the budget regarding changes to the Chief Salary lines and PD Rent line. R. Spurrell explained that the Chief salary used to be listed under its own line items, however, was moved by request and included in the entire PD salaries in order to show the complete Police Department budget. He continued by explaining that this was also the case with the PD Rents, which were now included in PD utilities. There was also a discussion regarding issues with skunks in the Village, which R. Spurrell stated he would get someone to look into.

Discussion regarding the 2016 Village of Eagle budget:

R. Spurrell stated that there was an approximate \$65,000 deficit when the Board adjourned after the last budget workshop. He explained that he had met with Clerk C. Zindars regarding the office budget. After R. Spurrell went over the clerk's notes and discussion was held regarding several line items in the Office budget, it was decided that Liquor Licensing revenue could change from \$2,200 to \$3,000, Village Board Publication could drop to \$2,000 due to the fact that the Clerk now includes election publication under elections, and the elections budget could drop to \$10,000. Contract Services were decided to stay at \$10,000, Offices – other repairs would drop from \$2,000 to \$500 due to nothing being used for the last 3 years.

R. Spurrell also explained changes to the Garbage Collection and Recycle Contract Services expenses dropping to \$89,878 for garbage and \$29,138 for recycling, which will affect the Special Charges Revenue to \$109,016. He explained that because last year the Village was budgeting for 713 units, but were only being billed for 684 units, this showed an under expenditure and under in revenue, which will affect the special charges collected on property tax bills from \$174.00 in 2015 to \$159.38 in 2016.

G. Scheff suggested that the South St. project be removed for 2016. M. Rice stated that he thought there was money set aside for the South St. project. R. Spurrell explained that there was approximately \$35,000 in reserve for streets, however, an additional \$40,000 was needed to finish the project. G. Scheff also explained that a new plow truck was needed and suggested that the streets project be removed and the plow truck added, however the first payment could be taken from the Capital Equipment account, not effecting the 2016 budget. This was tentatively agreed upon.

J. Steinhart voiced concerns regarding a hole in the pavement on Main St. and the fact that the hydrant was not turned on at the gazebo downtown. G. Scheff stated that he will follow up with S. Deegan on both issues.

The discussion moved to the Police Department budget and repairs to the Police Department garage. Board members discussed the options for fixing the roof with estimates provided by J. Frisch of \$12,000-\$14,000 to repair the flat roof and \$25,000 to rebuild a pitched roof. Captain S. Lesniewski stated that he had removed 500 part-time patrol hours from the budget.

J. Frisch thought it necessary that \$12,000 be budgeted for codification of Village ordinances. R. Spurrell indicated this cost under unclassified expenses.

J. Frisch indicated that the committee was most likely moving the Park & Rec Department to a part-time position, reducing the annual salary and eliminating the insurance expense. R. Spurrell suggested the Park & Rec budget be cut in half. All agreed.

J. Frisch asked whether there was carry-over of \$7500 from the 2015 Police Garage budget for 2016. R. Spurrell verified and all agreed to add the additional \$6500 needed for garage repairs in 2016.

R. Spurrell stated that this left a \$9,000 surplus, which he suggested be moved to Streets Future Projects. All agreed and R. Spurrell announced that the draft budget, for the time being, was balanced.

Adjournment: Motion to adjourn made by J. Frisch. Seconded by G. Hein. Motion carried (7-0). Meeting adjourned at 7:16pm.