

VILLAGE OF BISMARCK
County of Vermilion, State of Illinois
Minutes of Special Board Meeting, July 25, 2019

1. At 6:30 p.m. in the Village office located at 106 E. Holloway, Bismarck, Illinois, President Brown opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.
2. Roll call was taken by the Clerk. Board members present were Trustees Terry Light, Karel Volpert, Jane Cress, Sheila Switzer, Mary Potter, President Mike Brown and Clerk/Treasurer Valerie Moss. Trustee Kris Kizer was absent. A quorum was established. Sam Cole, Village engineer was the only guest present.
3. **Approval of the Agenda for July 25, 2019** – On a motion by Jane Cress, seconded by Mary Potter, the agenda was approved. The motion passed by acclamation.
4. **General Discussion regarding the stormwater drainage project:**
 - a. A contract has been received from Danville Sanitary District to enter into using DSD as a collection service for stormwater drainage fees from Village landowners in the amount of \$7,500 annually. The contract can be ended at any time and is not for a set amount of years. The billing of the stormwater drainage fee would go through DSD. The fee has already been approved through ordinance and can be collected to pay for upfront costs like designs and easements. Then once the SSA is ready to go, we could transition away from the stormwater utility fee. The stormwater utility fee still needs to be increased to \$35/month from \$25 in the ordinance.
 - b. The Special Service Area is to be used as a mechanism to collect dollars through the county tax bill that can be borrowed against. The SSA would collect from all landowners through the county tax bill, no matter whether or not the property they own is residential. Attorney Steve Miller previously suggested a hybrid SSA which would include billing of Village landowners who are exempt from paying real estate taxes and would not contribute through the SSA.
 - c. Valerie obtained a listing of taxpayers in the Village of Bismarck from the County Clerk's office and provided the Board with a copy of the list via email. 51% of Village landowners must either agree to support the SSA or 51% of Village landowners can petition to disapprove of the SSA. A public hearing will take place. It was remembered that Village landowners supported the stormwater drainage project when it was brought to the table previously.

- d. The Board unanimously agreed to move forward with the stormwater drainage project by implementation of the Special Service Area and the generation of funding for the project. Valerie will contact Attorney Steve Miller to advise that the Board wishes to move forward with the Special Service Area and agreements with non-taxing paying entities.
5. **Date and Time of Next Meeting** – The next regular meeting of the Bismarck Village Board will be held at the Village Office in Bismarck, Illinois, at 6:30 p.m. on August 27, 2019.
6. **Adjournment** – With no further business to come before the Board at this time, upon motion by Terry Light, seconded by Karel Volpert, the meeting was adjourned at 7:32 p.m. The motion passed by acclamation.

Respectfully Submitted,
Valerie Moss, Clerk

APPROVED SEPTEMBER 17, 2019