

VILLAGE OF BISMARCK
County of Vermilion, State of Illinois
Minutes of Special Board Meeting, September 9th, 2021

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 Trustee Kris Kizer. Board members present were Trustees Terry Light, Kris Kizer, Karel Volpert, Mary Potter and Jeff Beukelman, and President Mike Brown. Clerk Brandye Kizer and Trustee Sheila Switzer were absent and not in attendance. Treasurer Adam Muehl was not required to be in attendance. A quorum was established. Guests in attendance were Village Maintenance and resident Dan Wright and Mike Davis from Central Illinois Landbank Association.
3. Approval of agenda for September 9, 2021, was made on a motion by Karel Volpert, and seconded by Trustee Jeff Beukelman. The motion passed by acclamation.
4. Public Comments/Questions: Trustee Jeff Beukelman informed the Board that Bismarck First Church of Christ was appreciative of the donation for the Annual Bismarck Community Cookout.
5. **Reports of committees and assignments**
 - a. **Ordinance**

President Brown introduced Mr. Mike Davis to the Village Board members to discuss the philosophy and work of the Central Illinois Land Bank Association. The Central Illinois Land Bank Authority's mission is to assist member communities and forge partnerships with developers, end users and others that results in revitalized neighborhoods, increased property values, stabilized real estate markets and redevelopment of properties in Vermilion County, Champaign County, and Decatur. The Central Illinois Land Bank Authority will operate in a transparent manner and engage in strategic property acquisition, disposition, land use management and redevelopment while supporting and promoting broader community development objectives.

Mr. Davis discussed the Home Rehab Program and who would be eligible to participate in the program. In order for the Board to begin working with the Central Illinois Land Bank, they would need to buy the Ordinance book for \$40 and enter into a contract with Mr. David Biggerstaff, that would hire him as the Village's Code Enforcement Officer. This would be an "At-Will" hire, which means that the agreement may be terminated by either party at any time. The compensation for the services provided by Mr. Biggerstaff would be \$25.00 dollars per hour. Payment would be distributed to Mr. Biggerstaff on a monthly basis. Mr. Biggerstaff would be a part-time employee of the Village and the Village shall regulate the hours worked. The Village Board will review this information and make a decision at the September 21st Board Meeting on whether to enter into a contract with Mr. Biggerstaff and The Central Illinois Land Bank.
6. **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 September 21st, 2021. Bills to be considered for payment and items for the agenda are to be submitted by September 14th, 2021, to Village Clerk and Village Treasurer.
7. **Adjournment** – With no further business to come before the Board at this time, upon motion by Trustee Terry Light, with a second by Trustee Jeff Beukelman, the meeting was adjourned at 7:55p.m. The motion passed by acclamation.

Respectfully Submitted,

Brandye Kizer, Clerk

APPROVED 6/15/2021