

OTTAWA PORT DISTRICT
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF MARCH 20, 2015

ROLL CALL

Katie Troccoli called a regular meeting of the Port District to order at City Hall on March 20, 2015 at 8:00 a.m. with the following board members present: William Franklin, Jr., Katie Troccoli, John Stone, Charles Sheridan, and Mark Stoudt. Thomas Haeberle and Keith Conrad were absent. Also present were Boyd Palmer, Matt Stafford, Reed Wilson, Pat Henry and Rich Burton.

MINUTES

Minutes of the meeting of February 20, 2015 were presented and approved by unanimous vote following a motion by William Franklin, Jr. and second by Mark Stoudt.

CITIZEN COMMENTS

None.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Katie Troccoli presented a financial report, which was approved on motion of William Franklin, Jr., second by John Stone and unanimous oral vote. Katie noted that all outstanding invoices have been paid. Invoices of Diane Stelken and Hupp, Lanuti, Irion & Burton, P.C. were approved on motion of William Franklin, Jr., second by John Stone and unanimous oral vote.

COMMUNICATIONS

A receipt for the post office box was received, along with an invitation to advertise with the Seneca School yearbook, and an offer from the Chamber of Commerce to sponsor the Welcome Burger. No action was taken as to any of the communications.

HEARING OF CITIZENS:

Boyd Palmer reported on industrial park. He also advised that the City seeking grant funds for assistance in removal of the Little City building.

Reed Wilson reported that the experimental coal tar remediation attempt on the former Central School site had not gone well and that other remediation options would likely soon be explored.

MEMBER REPORTS

William Franklin, Jr. reported no new progress regarding the multi-modal project. No meetings have taken place. The need for meetings will probably be reduced to quarterly as the project progresses.

OLD BUSINESS

There is nothing to report regarding the Illinois Sand and LaSalle County property, nor recent riverfront activity. In regards to recent riverfront activity, the environmental clean up will move forward.

Options for generating funds for the district, including tax levy options was discussed.

NEW BUSINESS

Atty. Burton presented a Resolution Setting Budget Hearing Date which would call for next public meeting in May on the proposed Budget and Appropriation ordinance for fiscal year 2015-16. The resolution was approved by unanimous oral vote following a motion to be approved by Charles Sheridan and second by Mark Stoudt.

Atty. Burton then presented a Resolution Renewing SAM Registration which would update the district's registration through April 2016. The resolution was approved by unanimous oral vote following a motion to be approved by Charles Sheridan and second by Mark Stoudt.

ADJOURN

The board adjourned at about 8:30 a.m. upon on motion of Charles Sheridan, second by Mark Stoudt and unanimous oral vote. The next meeting of the port district will be May 15, 2015.