

**Ogden Village Board Regular Session  
Ogden Village Hall  
March 2, 2017**

**PRESENT**

Village Clerk Reidner	Mayor Reidner
Trustee Newsom	Trustee Redenbaugh
Trustee Esposito	Trustee Fitch
	Trustee Vickers

**Absent:** Trustee Mathis absent due to illness.

**CALL TO ORDER:**

Mayor Reidner called the meeting to order at 7: 04 p.m.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES (February 2, 2017, regular session)**

Trustee Fitch made a motion to approve the minutes of the February 2, 2017, regular session meeting. Trustee Esposito seconded the motion. **All “ayes”, motion carried**

**APPROVAL OF TREASURER’S REPORT:**

Trustee Redenbaugh made a motion to approve the treasure’s report. Trustee Esposito seconded the motion. **All “ayes”, motion carried.**

**APPROVAL OF BANK STATEMENTS (January 2017/February 2017):**

There was no February statement. Trustee Esposito made a motion to approve the bank statement for January 2017 Trustee Fitch seconded the motion. **All “ayes”, motion carried.**

**APPROVAL OF BILLS**

Trustee Newsom made a motion to pay March 2017 bills. Trustee Vickers seconded the motion. **All “ayes”, motion carried.**

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Rick Buckley was present to express concern over children walking along route 49 by the park. He offered to put a sidewalk along the park. He would donate some labor for the job in the interest of safety for the children. Trustee Newsom suggested putting it on next month’s agenda. Mayor Reidner agreed. The board was optimistic about the idea.

Mr. Sojka was present to ask questions about the Rails to Trails. He asked some questions about cleaning the street gutters. Mayor Reidner stated that this will be done in the Spring. He further had questions concerning the parking lot next to Rich’s Family Restaurant and the pot holes. The board responded that the parking lot is private property. He had a concern about the dirt and dust produced from the parking lot.

**APPROVAL TO PURCHASE LAWN MOWER JACK (not to exceed \$300):**

Trustee Newsom made a motion to purchase a lawn mower (not to exceed \$300.00). Trustee Esposito seconded the motion. **All “ayes”, motion carried.**

**APPROVAL TO PURCHASE FLOWERS (not to exceed \$200):**

Trustee Vickers made a motion to purchase flowers (not to exceed \$200.00). Trustee Esposito seconded the motion. All “ayes”, motion carried.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**Bldg. /grounds:** The white truck is fixed. The weeds have been cut at the sewer plant.

**Health & Safety:**

**Sewer:**

**Water:**

**Streets/alleys/sidewalks/drainage:** Trustee Newsom reported that the brick sidewalks are to be replaced at 211 East Broadway. Plans are being made to do some work to improve drainage near the interstate. Trustee Fitch brought up problem a problem with drainage on Ellen Street.

**Budget:**

**Business:**

**Zoning:** Trustee Vickers gave an update on zoning concerns. There is a concern to rezone the former site of the Nazarene church to residential. Mayor Reidner said a public hearing would be necessary to rezone that lot. The board agreed that she should proceed with plans to do so.

**MAYOR:** Mayor Reidner gave an update on pedestrian crossing signs on Market and Main Streets: The Mayor reported that he contacted IDOT and found out that the Village must request a permit from the State of Illinois to put pedestrian crossing signs at Market and Main Streets. If a permit is granted, IDOT will install the signs and lights, but the Village must maintain the lights. Also, the Village Maintenance Supervisor would be required to put striped lines across the highway. The village must request these changes from IDOT. The board members were in favor of the Mayor sending a letter to IDOT requesting the signs.

**OTHER BUSINESS:**

Trustee Vickers; suggested a speaker system for the board members at the meetings. She further suggested that Jennifer Bowman, Village Secretary, sit in on board meetings. Trustee Vickers also suggested that Ms. Bowman get paid for attending the meeting. There was some discussion. No decision was made now.

Trustee Vickers asked about moving money from the general fund to an interest-bearing account. Mayor Reidner will check into it, and report back next month.

Trustee Esposito asked that the Village obtain another credit card, other than American Express. The reason is that the current card cannot be used in many cases. Mayor Reidner will look into obtaining another card.

The suggestion was made to correct the Leeney street signs. They should read “Leney”. Trustee Vickers will look into the matter.

Trustee Esposito announced that there will be an Easter egg hunt for adults on April 14 at 8:00 p.m. at the Ogden Park. Cash prizes will be in the eggs. The Easter egg hunt for children will be April 15<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 a.m.

The Easter bunny will come to both events. Trustee Esposito would like for volunteers to be there by 8:30 a.m. to hide eggs.

There was a request to paint the parking lines uptown. Mayor responded that they will be painted in the spring.

**MOTION TO ADJOURN**

Trustee Esposito made a motion to adjourn at 8:05p.m. Trustee Newsom seconded the motion.

**All “ayes”, motion carried.**

Respectfully submitted,  
Rosanne Reidner  
Ogden Village Clerk