

**Village of Rockdale
Board Meeting Minutes
January 15, 2018**

Caucus for the Village of Rockdale

President Timp called the Caucus for the Village of Rockdale to order at 6:04 p.m.

President Timp asked for nominations for the Trustee positions.

Motion by Julie Nelles, second by Carl Rucks, to nominate Jeri Boden.

Motion by Julie Nelles, second by Carl Rucks, to nominate Alicia Hynes.

Motion by Benjamin Timp, second by Carl Rucks, to close nominations. Motion carried 6-0.

Motion by Carl Rucks, second by Nicholas Castle, to close caucus at 6:06 p.m. Motion carried 6-0.

Regular Village Board Meeting

1. **Call Meeting to Order.** Village Board President Timp called the regular meeting of the Rockdale Village Board to order at 6:08 p.m. in the Robert M. Smithback Community Center.
2. **Attendance Roll Call.**
Village Board Members Present: Benjamin Timp, Julie Nelles, Nancy Bishell, Carl Rucks and Nicholas Castle.
Village Board Members Absent: None
Others Present: Walker Jaroch (Cambridge News), Bob Salov, Terri Van Den Einde and Linda Dieckhoff
3. **Announce Meeting/Reminder for Attendees to Sign In.** President Timp announced the meeting.
4. **Acknowledgement of Meeting Notice/Posting.** Clerk-Treasurer Dieckhoff confirmed the meeting had been properly posted.
5. **President's Welcome/Announcements.**
President Timp welcomed all visitors.
 - a. Spring Primary Election is on February 20, 2018 – polls are open 7:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.
 - b. Property Tax Bills – First Installment due by January 31, 2018.
6. **Preview of Agenda.** No changes.
7. **Public Comment – Two Minute Limit Per Person.** None

8. **Discussion and possible approval of Village Board draft minutes of December 18, 2017.**
Motion by Bishell, second by Nelles, to approve the draft minutes of the December 18, 2017 meeting. Motion carried 5-0.
9. **Old Business.**
- a. **Discussion and possible action regarding Broadband Infrastructure.**
 Bring back next month as an ordinance and resolution.
10. **New Business.**
- a. **Discussion and approval of absentee voting hours for the February 20, 2018 Spring Primary.**
Motion by Rucks, second by Castle, to approve absentee voting hours for the February 20, 2018 Spring Primary starting Monday, February 5, 2018 (9:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.), Wednesdays and Thursdays (9:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.) (unavailable February 14) or by appointment and Friday, February 16, 2018 (9:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.). Motion carried 5-0.
- b. **Discussion and possible approval regarding snow removal.**
 A map was presented. Rucks indicated that when the snow gets deep he cannot clean the sidewalk as indicated in green with his snow blower. We need someone to do shoveling in that area. Castle agreed to clean up that area. The area in orange sidewalk has not been cleared of snow. We need to remind the property owners that the snow needs to be cleared.
- c. **Discussion and possible approval of Village of Rockdale portion of Cambridge Fire Commission budget in the amount of \$7,728.18.**
Motion by Bishell, second by Nelles, to approve the Village of Rockdale portion of Cambridge Fire Commission budget in the amount of \$7,728.18. Motion carried 5-0.
- d. **Discussion and approval of survey from Cambridge Foundation regarding 2018 Grant request by the Cambridge Community Fire Commission.**
- After discussion, a letter will be sent to the Cambridge Foundation indicating the following:
- That the Village of Rockdale approved the 2018 budget portion of the Cambridge Community Fire Commission for Rockdale in the amount of \$7,728.18 at our current meeting.
 - The Village of Rockdale has not budgeted any additional funds in the 2018 budget for the purchase of a fire truck.
 - The grant request was made by the Cambridge Community Fire Commission.
 - If the Foundation has any further questions specific to Rockdale to feel free to contact us.
- e. **Discussion and possible approval of 2018 Sewer Utility Budget.**

Rucks indicated that the Sewer Commission met prior to the Village Board Meeting. The Commission is looking at a possible rate increase next year (2019)

of \$20 per month. There may be a need to borrow money to do sludge pumping at a cost of \$7,000. The Sewer Commission will be meeting in March to obtain quotes on doing the work this year. An updated Sewer Utility Budget will be brought back at the March Village Board Meeting for approval.

f. **Discussion and possible approval of purchasing computer software (Malwarebytes).**

There was a problem encountered on the Clerk computer recently with a virus.

Motion by Castle, second by Nelles, to purchase Malwarebytes software for Clerk computer only. Motion carried 5-0.

g. **Discussion and possible approval of Ordinance No. 2018-01 Draft to amend Chapter 12 – Sidewalk, Driveway, and Curb and Gutter Ordinance.**

Motion by Nelles, second by Rucks, to approve Ordinance No. 2018-01 to amend Chapter 12 – Sidewalk, Driveway, and Curb and Gutter Ordinance with correction as noted (Section 66.0907(5) changed to Section 66.60(16)(b) in 12.05 (F)(12)). Motion carried 5-0.

11. **Public Comment – Two Minute Limit Per Person.** None.

12. **Correspondence.**

a. None

13. **Discussion and possible approval of Treasurer’s Report/Approval of Bills.**

Motion by Rucks, second by Bishell, to approve the Treasurer’s Report and checks #6192 - #6203, ATM and transfer in the amount of \$141,182.59. Motion carried 5-0.

14. **Discussion and possible approval of Sewer Clerk Report/Approval of Bills.**

Motion by Nelles, second by Castle to approve checks #5804 - #5806 in the amount of \$2,370.60. Motion carried 5-0.

15. **Discussion of 2017 hours worked by Clerk-Treasurer.**

Reviewed hours worked by Clerk-Treasurer in 2017. Place this as an agenda item for next meeting.

16. **Any Other Business.**

Timp indicated that there will be a conference call discussion on January 18 regarding Rockdale Broadband.

17. **Adjournment.** **Motion** by Rucks, second by Nelles, to adjourn at 7:22 p.m. Motion carried 5-0.

Respectfully Submitted,
Linda L. Dieckhoff
Clerk-Treasurer