

Mayor Hahn called the December 23, 2014 Regular Meeting of the Cullom Village Board to order at 7:00 p.m. at the Cullom Village Hall.

**Members Present:** Hahn, Flessner, Metz, Wallrich, Krause, Moore, Meister, Whitman and Rock, and Gabor.

**Absent:** Deany and Lovell

**Public in Attendance:** Marty Fannin, Tony Childress, Vicki Allen, Officer Mitchell

**Minutes:** Approved by consent agenda. Motion Made by Whitman/Rock. M/C

**Sheriff Report:** There were 9 calls for November. At this time the computer system for the county does not give the number of warnings or citations written. An explanation of where and how citation money is distributed between the village and the township was discussed and explained by Officer Mitchell.

**Public:** Marty Fannin and Vicki Allen from the Livingston County Board and Tony Childress from the Sheriff's Department were available to discuss the 2014 and 2015 Sheriff's contract with the board. The concerns that the board has with the contract are as follows:

The 2014 contract should have been received by the Village at the beginning of the year.

After asking repeatedly each month of the attending officer if there was a contract, the board was advised each time that the contract was to come from the County Board.

When the 2014 contract was finally received in August, the letter was made out to Reading Township instead of to the Village of Cullom.

The board felt that they could not sign a contract concerning Saunemin since we are two separate entities, and requested a meeting with Livingston County Board on September 16, 2014. Only sheriff Lindsey replied and the meeting was not held.

✓ The contract seems more like a bill than a contract and there is no guarantee or written confirmation that the Village is receiving the services that they are paying for.

The Village Board would like more explanation of services, hours or patrol, citations and fines.

In response, Mr. Fannin and Childress reported the following:

When asked if the Village would be billed for 2014 services since we did not have a contract with the County Board, Mr. Fannin replied that since it was the fault of the County Board that no contract was received, the Village would not be responsible to pay for 2014 services.

Mr. Childress reported that even though we did not have a contract for 2014 the Sheriff's Office continued to operate as if they did.

Mr. Childress further stated that a new computer system is to be installed at a later date that will give the information on calls, citations and warnings in a more timely and efficient manner.

Mr. Fannin stated that the board would receive their new 2015 contact by fax the next day.

**Village Engineer Report:** None

**Attorney Report:** Attorney Gabor reported on the status of the judgments that the village has outstanding.

**Maintenance Report:** None

**Treasure Report:** Approved as presented.

**Clerk Report:** Krause/Whitman made the motion to pay the bills as presented for \$18,575.78 except for the payment to Boomgarden Trash Hauling until after December 30, 2014. All voted in favor and M/C.

**Finance Committee:** No report.

**Ordinance/Enforcement Committee:** None

**Public/Village Property /Streets:** None

**Water/Garbage/Maintenance Committee:** None

**Old Business:** The Police Service Contract for 2015 will be discussed at the January meeting.

**New Business:** The board made the decision to work on the 2015 strategic plan and to look into grants and other sources of funding to help pay for the improvements.

After a discussion on 2015 garbage/water rates, Krause/Moore made the motion to leave the rates the same as 2014. All voted in favor and M/C.

Whitman/Rock made the motion to donate \$250 to Showbus. All voted in favor and M/C.

Meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.