THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE WAS LED BY THE VILLAGE PRESIDENT, RICHARD DURAN.

THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE PEOTONE VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES WAS CALLED TO ORDER AT 7:01 P.M. AT THE MUNICIPAL COMPLEX HALL, 208 E. MAIN STREET, PEOTONE, ILLINOIS; THE VILLAGE PRESIDENT, RICHARD DURAN, PRESIDING. THE FOLLOWING BOARD MEMBERS ANSWERED ROLL CALL: MR. RUSSELL, MR. WICKER, MR. FORSYTHE, MRS. ECKMAN, AND MR. LIBERATORE. TRUSTEE REICHERT WAS ABSENT. ALSO PRESENT WERE THE ADMINISTRATOR, ENGINEER, AND ATTORNEY. NO RESIDENTS WERE PRESENT.

MOTION BY FORSYTHE, SECONDED BY ECKMAN, TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE JUNE 28, 2010, REGULAR VILLAGE BOARD MEETING AS WRITTEN. FORSYTHE, ECKMAN, LIBERATORE, RUSSELL, AND WICKER VOTING AYE; MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION BY WICKER, SECONDED BY FORSYTHE, TO APPROVE THE PAYROLL AND TO APPROVE THE ACCOUNTS PAYABLE IN ALL CATEGORIZED FUNDS AS PRESENTED. WICKER, FORSYTHE, ECKMAN, LIBERATORE, AND RUSSELL VOTING AYE; MOTION CARRIED.

PUBLIC COMMENT - NO RESIDENTS PRESENT

CHIEF’S REPORT - NOT PRESENT

ENGINEER REPORT - WE ARE WAITING FOR THE RATHJE ROAD SIDEWALK PROJECT RESTORATION TO BE COMPLETED AND WE ARE RE-SUBMITTING THE 2010 STREET RESURFACING PROJECT TO IDOT DUE TO A NEW PAPERWORK REQUIREMENT.

THE PEOTONE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT IN CONJUNCTION WITH MUSCULAR DYSTROPHY ASSOCIATION HAVE REQUESTED TO COLLECT DONATIONS IN THE VILLAGE ON JULY 16 AND 17, 2010, WITH A RAIN DATE OF JULY 31, 2010.

MOTION BY ECKMAN, SECONDED BY FORSYTHE, TO APPROVE THE DONATION COLLECTION AS REQUESTED BY THE PEOTONE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT AND THE MUSCULAR DYSTROPHY ASSOCIATION FOR JULY 16-17, 2010, WITH A RAIN DATE OF JULY 31, 2010. ECKMAN, FORSYTHE, WICKER, RUSSELL, AND LIBERATORE VOTING AYE; MOTION CARRIED.

TWO ITEP GRANTS HAVE BECOME AVAILABLE. IN THE PAST THE VILLAGE HAS SUBMITTED APPLICATIONS FOR THE RAILROAD CORRIDOR ENHANCEMENT OF THE RAILROAD STREET PARKING AREA BETWEEN MAIN STREET AND CRAWFORD STREET. THE TOTAL PROJECT COST AT THE TIME OF THE 2008 APPLICATION WAS $431,200.00 OF WHICH $168,100.00 WOULD BE FUNDED BY ITEP.

THE WILMINGTON-PEOTONE ROAD BIKE PATH / SIDEWALK WAS THE SECOND APPLICATION SUBMITTED IN 2008 FOR AN ITEP GRANT. THE TOTAL PROJECT WAS ESTIMATED AT $198,700.00 WITH ITEP FUNDING $159,000.00.

THE CONSENSUS OF THE BOARD WAS TO PREPARE APPLICATIONS FOR THE SAME PROJECTS.
THE VILLAGE CURRENTLY IS A MEMBER OF THE EAST WILL COUNTY COUNCIL OF MAYORS GROUP HEALTH COOPERATIVE (EWCCM) ALONG WITH CRETE, BEECHER, MONEE, STEGER, AND CRETE TOWNSHIP. AS A GROUP WITH A SUBSTANTIAL NUMBER OF MEMBERS, WE HAVE REALIZED SAVINGS IN THE HEALTH INSURANCE COSTS. IT HAS BEEN SAID THAT WITH THE NEW NATIONAL HEALTH CARE PLAN ABOUT TO GO INTO EFFECT, INSURANCE CARRIERS MAY HIKE PREMIUMS 15% TO 28%. AN ALTERNATIVE TO KEEP INSURANCE COSTS DOWN WOULD BE TO JOIN A GROUP THAT OPERATES A SELF-INSURED PLAN SUCH AS THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL PERSONNEL BENEFIT COOPERATIVE (IPBC). WE WOULD JOIN AS EWCCM AND WOULD ASSUME THE LIABILITY FOR CLAIMS UNDER $30,000.00. THE LIABILITY FOR CLAIMS OF $30,000.00 TO $125,000.00 WOULD BE ASSUMED BY THE ENTIRE IPBC GROUP AND THERE IS SEPARATE STOP-LOSS INSURANCE FOR CLAIMS OVER $125,000.00. THE RATE EACH MEMBER PAYS IS CALCULATED USING ACTUARIAL ESTIMATES OF EXPOSURE FOR EACH TIER OF CLAIMS. ANY FUNDS NOT USED FOR CLAIMS ARE PLACED IN A RESTRICTED INTEREST-BEARING ACCOUNT SPECIFICALLY FOR THAT MEMBER (EWCCM). IN TIME ENOUGH RESERVE FUNDS MAY ACCUMULATE WHICH COULD BE USED TO OFF-SET A BAD LOSS YEAR DEFICIT.

THE BOARD DISCUSSED THE ADVANTAGES AND DISADVANTAGES OF OUR GROUP BECOMING PART OF A MUCH LARGER GROUP AND A SELF-FUNDED PLAN VERSUS A FULLY FUNDED PLAN.

THE CONSENSUS OF THE BOARD WAS TO DIRECT THE VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR TO PREPARE A RESOLUTION TO PUT THE IPBC INTO EFFECT.

WE HAVE RECEIVED NOTICE FROM DOT THAT REPAIRS WILL BE DONE ON THE I-57 BRIDGE OVER THE OLD MILWAUKEE RAILROAD RIGHT OF WAY.

PEOTONE PRIDE IS THE NAME OF THE VILLAGE TEAM FOR THE JULY 30-31, 2010, AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY RELAY FOR LIFE. ANY BOARD MEMBER WANTING TO JOIN THE TEAM OR MAKE A DONATION CAN CONTACT THE VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR OR GO ONLINE TO RELAY FOR LIFE PEOTONE.COM.

PRESIDENT DURAN READ A LETTER HE RECEIVED THANKING AND CONGRATULATING THE VILLAGE ON THE OUTSTANDING QUALITY AND PROFESSIONALISM THEY EXPERIENCED WITH THE PEOTONE EMS TEAM DURING A RECENT MEDICAL EMERGENCY WHILE VISITING IN THE VILLAGE.

MOTION BY ECKMAN, SECONDED BY FORSYTHE, TO ADJOURN THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE PEOTONE VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES AT 7:39 P.M. ECKMAN, FORSYTHE, WICKER, RUSSELL, AND LIBERATORE VOTING AYE; MOTION CARRIED.

DONNA WERNER
Village Clerk