

CENTURIA VILLAGE BOARD MINUTES
January 9, 2012

The Village Board meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by President Markert, with Ryan Davison absent. Stan Swiontek made the motion, seconded by Steve Sylvester, to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

The motion was made by Rod Peterson, seconded by Gene Ludack, to approve the previous board minutes. Motion carried.

The motion was made by Gene, seconded by Gordy Moore, to approve the treasurer's report showing a balance of \$448,945.60 for the month of December. The receipts were \$139,756.79 and the disbursements were \$42,251.90. The TIF balance is \$75,253.82. Motion carried.

Jeff Schoeder and Jamie Minea from High Quality Shavings were present to give the village an update as to their buildings in the Industrial Park. They explained that it is economically too tough at this time to try to proceed with their plans. The north 18,000 square foot building, they would consider leasing or selling for about \$400,000; but they still want to do the shavings business in the other building, since they have about a quarter of a million dollars down on the machines. The board asked that they keep them posted. Steve Healy from Polk County Economic Development Corporation stated that two businesses were interested in the north building, but they thought the price was too high. He explained that there are a lot of empty buildings in the area, and now the banks are requiring 30% down on loans instead of 20% making it very difficult to start a business.

Matt Babcock had the results of a survey concerning the possible development of a south park in the village. Most people wanted a family multi-use park with an ice rink and warming house and volleyball facility. His recommendation is to put the park funds into improvements at the current park instead of building a new structure. He also expressed the need for volunteers to help run the concession stand this summer. He will need to know by March.

Van presented the annual police report. He would like to meet with Personnel and Law Enforcement concerning the possibility of relocating the police department in the building that is for sale by Skip Lutgen.

Stan will try to coordinate a meeting with Health and Sanitation, Tony, and the police to discuss spring cleanup.

The motion was made by Gordy, seconded by Gene, to respectfully decline paying the Polk County Economic Development 2012 Annual Membership. Motion carried.

The motion was made by Stan, seconded by Gene, to pay the bills. Motion carried.

The motion was made by Gene, seconded by Steve, to adjourn at 8:25 p.m. Motion carried.

Judith A. Jepsen, Clerk