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### **“ATWOOD PURSUES WIND ENERGY GRANT, TRIES TO HELP HABITAT FOR HUMANITY, AND WELCOMES NEW BUSINESS TO VILLAGE.”**

The Atwood, IL Village Board, during the November meeting, approved the expense of up to \$5000 to the Farnsworth Group to pursue a MET tower grant. Upon approval of the grant, a MET tower would be placed to the west of town on property agreed to be leased to the Village for the life of the tower.

The Board also discussed the sale of Village property at the end of Cedar Street at the intersection of S. Missouri Street. This property would be sold to Habitat for Humanity at a discounted rate in order to help enable the construction of a new home. Future discussions will detail more of the plans.

The Village Board approved to abate the water and sewer expenses of the new business, located at the old Atwood Meat Market site. The new venture, Atwood Meat Processing, will be open for operation in the near future and focus on deer processing. In the future, the store may be open for retail package sales. The Board is very excited for Mr. Kenny Johnson and the residents of Atwood for this new business.

\$3500 was also approved to be paid to the Farnsworth Group in order to prepare a bid for the new drywell facility.

In other business, the Trustees approved of a new contract with the Village Auditors, they rescinded a motion from the October meeting and instituted a corrected motion that allows for a transfer of funds from internal Village accounts, and approved the bonuses for employees who have worked or are expected to work for 500+ hours in this calendar year. The meeting schedule for 2009 was also set. The Board also paid the monthly invoices, and the next meeting will be conducted on Monday, December 15, 2008.