

Village of Atwood, Illinois

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For Immediate Release

“Atwood Seeks Grant Funding”

During the July meeting, the Village Trustees of Atwood approved the expense of up to \$2500 for the purposes of seeking outside help in gaining grant funding for an upgrade to the community’s water facilities. The Village also approved the cleaning of its water tower in the amount of \$2200. Atwood also accepted a bid from Walker Processing for the purchase of up to \$15,000 in equipment to repair the Village’s wastewater treatment plant.

A new Building Commissioner was appointed. Mike Turner has now taken over the responsibilities of Building Commissioner, following the resignation of Allen Romine. The Board also appointed Brian Lynch, former Zoning Board Member, former Village Trustee, and former Village President of Atwood, to the Zoning Board. Brian Lynch and Christy Shipman, who was appointed and approved to Zoning Board last month, were both sworn in and will begin duties immediately.

The Zoning Board has requested and the Village Board has approved to expand the Central Business District in Atwood. One half of a block behind the current Casey’s General Store has been approved for rezoning from R-2 (Residential) to B-1 (Commercial). Casey’s General Store is planning to buy that space and tear down their current building for the purposes of building a brand new, much larger facility with overhead cover for the gasoline pumps.

In other news, the Atwood Zoning Board is going to investigate how the corporate limits of Atwood can be expanded to allow for growth in Residential, Commercial, and Industrial Zones. The Village is interested in bringing in a major Industrial facility, and to promote steady, organized growth in all areas.

The Board also addressed ordinance violations, especially disturbances of the peace due to childhood pranks. The Chief of Police will adjust his department’s schedule accordingly to address the problem of crime in the midnight hours.

Finally, the Board approved the payment of all budgeted or approved expenses.

The next Atwood Village Board meeting will be held on August 20th at 7:00p.m.