

FEBRUARY 12, 2019

REGULAR MEETING

6 P.M.

Regular meeting of the Village Board held at the Village Hall and called to order by President Starcevich with the following members present: Loving, Olson, Beattie, Brooks, Welch, Starcevich, and Johnson. Absent: Willems.

Motion by Olson, second by Welch to accept the January 2019 minutes. Voice Votes: all votes were in favor, and the motion was carried.

Motion by Welch, second by Brooks to authorize the January 2019 bills and accept the treasurer's report. Voice Votes: ALL votes were in favor, and the motion was carried.

President Starcevich stated that the building permit on Michael Chezem and violations on Charles David would be tabled until the weather is better. Police Chief Brendal reported that he had talked to Village Attorney Halpin, and he advised another notice be given when weather is good.

President Starcevich reported that he had told Jamie Jones, water billing personnel, to check with Viola on their billing system.

President Starcevich reported that he had talked to IMEG about their bills, and had tried to contact USDA, but they were off due to the shutdown. He has a meeting with Representative Cheri Bustos, Mr. Langman of Langman Construction, and Tara Langman concerning the sewer project.

President Starcavich stated that if residents don't have the money to hook up to the sewer, they will be charged, and a certified plumber must hook up to the line, and the Village will look into funds to assist low to moderate income residents, but Bi-State has said that the CDAP Grant of \$450,000 may not be lost.

President Starcavich stated he will be sending out another letter with the water bills showing an increase in the rates. He said the bills need to double or possible flat rate to keep up with the funds needed.

Motion by Welch, second by Olson to pay Steve Brooks, water meter reader and assistant, not monthly, but pay only when he reads the meters every third month, but if he does extra work during the months, he is to turn in a bill for an hourly rate. Voice Votes: All votes in favor and the motion was carried.

Interim Police Chief Brendal present and gave his written report. The Board tabled the purchase of a new squad. The Board agreed that Chief Brendal prepare an ad for the seized vehicle.

Motion by Brooks, second by Welch to accept the FY 2017 – 2018 audit. Voice Votes: all votes were in favor, and the motion was carried.

Village Clerk Johnson reminded the Board that the Village's mower is two years old, and it is time for the agreement with Martin Sullivan for a trade or purchase is due. President Starcevich stated he would talk to Mike Garber, the Village's mower personnel about the Village's mower needs, and also check into costs.

Motion by Welch, second by Loving to purchase a new booster pump for the water department. All votes were in favor, and the motion was carried.

The Board tabled insulating the pump house.

Trustee Welch informed the Board that the fire hydrant at the end of his street (Second Avenue North) is buried under snow. The Board would take care of this matter.

Motion by Brooks, second by Olson to adjourn. Voice Votes: all votes were in favor, and the motion was carried. The meeting was adjourned.

Claudine D. Johnson, Village Clerk