

NOVEMBER 4, 2019

REGULAR MEETING

VILLAGE HALL 6 P.M.

Regular meeting of the Village Board held at the Village Hall and called to order by President Starceovich with the following members present: Loving, Olson, Beattie, Willems, Welch (arrived 6:20 p.m.), Starceovich, and Johnson. Absent: Brooks.

Motion by Willems, second by Loving to accept the October 7, 2019 Board meeting minutes. Voice votes: all votes were in favor, and the motion was carried.

The Board noted that the basketball court had been fixed and sealed by Superior Asphalt. The Board agreed to have President Starcavich call Denise Dolan about the matter and table it until next month.

Motion by Willems, second by Olson to authorize the October bills except for Superior Asphalt. Voice votes: all votes were in favor, and the motion was carried.

John Kusek of IMEG Engineers present to inform the Board on the sewer project. He reported a switch to 3 phase on pumps, a change to natural gas and a need for different meters, a change from the manufacture of sheet materials, and increases in shipping of 5%, and will proceed with change order next month. He was not willing to do any wage increase. He said the USDA estimated the average user cost at \$70.00 (69.18), 3.8 % complete on job, but mainly materials. He stated that the Village should be putting money aside for any breaks, and he would send bills to Lorali at USDA, then she would approve and place funds in bank for payment.

Motion by Olson, second by Loving to approve and pay sewer bills when available from USDA. Voice votes: all votes were in favor, and the motion was carried.

President Starceovich reported that there have been three water line breaks, and if Langman Construction hits something they will fix and the Board noted there is some plastic pipe.

The Board agreed to trim the four trees on the Kirby Willems vacant lot at 313 North Fifth Avenue and Mulberry Street. Voice votes: all votes were in favor, and the motion carried. The cost to take out the trees was \$4,200 or \$4,300 with the stumps.

Stephen Thorp present to find out about the Charles David property clean up. The Board stated that some things have been taken care of.

Charles David present to report that he will be moving the play set, taking apart the wire fence, and is looking for the title to the car at the Bob Green property.

Mr. Thorp stated that this has been going on a long time and drives by the junk from Mr. David that is on the Bob Green property.

President Starcavich stated the Village is making Mr. David remove nuisances and fining him on his water bill if things are not removed. Chief Brendal checked Mr. David's property on Friday on the car.

Motion by Welch, second by Olson to place No Parking signs from North Third Avenue to North Second Avenue alley behind Main Street and all the way through from east to west Voice votes: all votes were in favor, and the motion was carried.

Chief Brendal reported that all the truck trailers behind the Depot belong to Cambor Hill Trucking, and the Village Attorney Halpin would do the court order to get them removed.

Brent Johnson present to state that the Chezem property on Walnut Street has had the truck removed, was cleaned up some, and a fence put around it.

Chief Brendal reported that he is working on the Jerry Prine property to get rid of the demo car, lawn ornaments, a car, and a trailer.

Brent Johnson stated that Mr. Chezem had a hip replacement so his wife and family worked on the property., and he has purchased another house and has been working on it. The Board agreed that Mr. Chezem has no more chances and no new building permit.

President Starcevich stated that the Ball Park's diamond does not have dirt yet.

President Starcavich stated that Harold Epperson has a limb hanging over his house, but Epic Tree Service looked at the tree and said it was a good tree and the cost to trim the limb would be \$500 or \$1,500 to take down the tree. The Board agreed that it is up to Mr. Epperson to take care of the limb at his cost.

President Starcevich said he gave permission for two scoops plus two more scoops of rock to Maggie Ferguson for the side of Alicia Ferguson's house at 714 Washington Street.

Motion by Loving, second by Olson to purchase a water line locator. Voice votes; all votes were in favor, and the motion was carried.

Motion by Olson, second by Willems to order four cases of blue spray paint and 500 blue flags to mark the water lines. Voice votes: all votes were in favor, and the motion was carried.

Motion by Olson, second by Welch to hire Ron Dehm and Jared Greer as snow plow operators at \$11.00 per hour. Voice votes: all votes were in favor.

President Starcavich reported that the Village's pickup truck is ready to plow snow, and the cemetery would not be plowed.

The Board agreed to have Ron Dehm look at the Village's spreader for the dump truck to see if a gear box is needed at an estimated cost of \$300.

President Starcavich reported that Part Time Officer Gordon Nichols worked 55 hours at Matherville. Chief Brendal reported that Casey Switzer and Rodney Taylor still need to bring in their paperwork He also reported that Officer Nickols refuses to wear the protective vest, but carried it in the squad, and there is no law requiring him to wear it, but the Village's police policy does. He said everyone else has their own vest. President Starcavich said he would call Mr. Switzer and Mr. Taylor.

Chief Brendal reported that the Impala Squad needs wheel bearings and electrical work, the bright lights do not work and the light bar is bad. He said the Durango Squad's back bushings are bad. The Board and Chief Brendal agreed to wait until spring to consider a new squad, and fix the Impala squad.

The Board agreed to send the Cambor Hill trailers issue to Attorney Halpin.

Motion by Welch, second by Olson to donate \$300 to Shop With A Hero and ask the Ladies Alliance to assist with this. Voice votes: all votes were in favor, and the motion was carried.

Motion by Welch, second by Olson to have the Charles David property survey recorded at the Court House at a cost of \$77.00. Voice votes: all votes were in favor, and the motion was carried.

Motion by Willems, second by Welch to adjourn. Voice votes: all votes were in favor, and the meeting was adjourned.

Claudine D. Johnson, Village Clerk