

OCTOBER 5, 2020

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: Olson, Beattie, Willems, Starcevich, and Johnson. Absent were Welch and Brooks.

Motion by Willems, second by Beattie to accept the September 1, 2020 Board minutes. Voice votes: all votes were in favor, and the motion was carried.

Motion by Olson, second by Beattie to authorize the September 2020 bills. Voice Votes: all votes were in favor, and the motion was carried.

Steve Brooks, water meter reader, present. The Board stated that Stephen Thorp would become the new water meter reader. Mr. Brooks stated that he had done the readings for this month, and would help Mr. Thorp if needed.

John Carlson present to report on the sewer progress. He reported that the sewer was 72% done, and Langman Construction hoped to be done by the end of November. Also, noted was Lorali Heintzelman was changing jobs with the USDA and would no longer be New Windsor's contact.

Mr. Carlson reported that work was being done on the southeast corner, but Ameren was not done with their work, and utilities were being laid out at Cozy Haven Homes.

Trustee Willems will check on tree removal.

Stephen Thorp dug up and fixed the broken tile in the lot at the corner of South Eighth Avenue and Mercer Street. The Board noted that there are more broken tiles on the Tom Bischoff south farm ground.

Mr. Carlson reported that Township Road Commissioner Don Fowler redid the road to the Petrie Cemetery.

President Starcevich reported that the windows ordered for the Village Hall were not the right size, and new ones were ordered. He also stated that this winter he would like to see the Village Hall get a new floor, new ceiling, new vents, painted, and a new table and telecom.

President Starcevich reported on the Chezem house on Walnut Street and the Austin Adams house on North Fourth Avenue which has been sold to Shawn and Dana Kovacic who still have an outstanding water bill at their property on Walnut Street and North Fifth Avenue. Village Clerk Johnson

reported that realtor Sharon Esslinger has contacted the Village for the amount owed for water on the Austin Adams house. Kovacic's contacted President Starceovich about extending their driveway 25 feet to park the School Buses. The Board stated that the Kovacics are parking the buses on Village property or the William Johnson property. President Starceovich will look into the matter and on any cost involved. The Board noted that this area was needed for drainage and the stop sign.

President Starceovich will send the Jason Moore, Mary Niles, Charles David, and Charles David's fathers house to Attorney Halpin concerning nuisances and abandonment.

Stephen Thorp reported that there are chickens across from the Bob Welch property at 301 North Second Avenue with a coop and roosters. Stephen Thorp was told to notify the owner about the ordinance.

President Starceovich talked about different water meters that could be cellular for read outs every 24 hours with no driving around. He suggested the Village start slow with 5 meters at \$1,500 with a demonstration on installation.

President Starceovich stated that the Patriot Tour is Sunday, October 11, 2020 and coming through New Windsor, but no time yet. He asked that the roads be cleaned up by the maintenance department.

The Board set Trick or Treat for Saturday, October 31, 2020 from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. The Ladies Alliance will have a Trunk or Treat at the Ball Park from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m.

President Starceovich gave his 8 "tube for the cemetery road work and will order a new one.

President Starceovich stated that dirt for the ball diamond will be brought in this month.

John Carlson gave the Board the Sewer Ordinance, and President Starceovich will check on a Special Meeting for this.

The Board agreed that residents have one year to hook up to the sewer or a penalty of \$500 will be fined, then after three months, water will be shut off.

The Board will have dates and times for bid packets to go out and a list of contractors or plumbers to pick from.

The Board agreed to take closed bids on the Village's tractor. Mr. Thorp to get the make, model, and year. He stated that the Tractor blade is good and should be kept.

President Starceovich reported that Officer Switzer had informed him of Aledo police cars for sale. They have a Tahoe, two wheel drive with 150,000 miles on it. Officer Switzer was instructed to check on this.

President Starceovich stated he would like to have the maintenance department have good stuff to wear while working. He will look into that.

Trustee Welch present at 7:41 P.M.

Stephen Thorp stated he would fix the aerator shed, and a broom attachment is needed for the backhoe.

The Board requested that the Rodeo Park be patrolled more since the shelters have had beer cans and people huffing paint there.

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

Claudine D. Johnson, Village Clerk