VILLAGE HALL 213 N DOUGLAS

PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES WEDNESDAY, APRIL 21, 2021

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES #21-08 CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Present:

Mayor Richard Schiefer

Clerk Kathy Becker Chief Gary Kukla Curtis Kinnick Trustee Jamie Runion

Trustee Dawn Ross

Trustee George Gavlick

Trustee Guideon Richeson

Trustee Derek Ashoff

Trustee Tim Elliott

Quorum present Meeting called to order at 6:30 pm

I. APPROVAL OF MINUTES AND AGENDA

- 1. Trustee Richeson made a motion to approve the minute's 21-07 for April 7, 2021. Trustee Ashoff seconds the motion. Roll call vote, all in favor, motion passed.
- 2. Trustee Richeson made a motion to approve the agenda 21-08 for April 21, 2021. Trustee Ross seconds. Roll call vote, all in favor, motion passed.

II. COMMUNICATIONS:

1. Mayor Schiefer appointed Patrick King/MillerKing LLC as the zoning officer. Trustee Gavlick made a motion to accept the appointment. Trustee Elliott seconds. Roll call vote, all in favor, motion passed.

III. OPEN TO PUBLIC:

1. Bob Evans addressed the board stating that the weather radios that the Village is looking into will go off for anywhere in the county and not zip code specific.

IV. TREASURER REPORT:

1. There was nothing unusual about any revenues or expenditures. The funds with the only source of revenue ran a deficit for the month which is typical. The year-to-date figures as shown in Exhibit A provide better information about our long-term results. All the funds are in the black with the exception of the social security fund which has a minor deficit. The excess of revenues over expenditures for the eleven months of the year would be important in the event the Village had to issue bonds. Additionally, the healthy cash balance is desirable because it could be used to secure a loan. There is a footnote at the bottom of each page which indicates that the treasurer's function is not to provide the level of assurance an audit contains. These are only internal documents only.

V. COMMITTEES:

A. COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT/HEALTH:

- 1. HOMECOMING: Trustee Runion reported that the plans are coming along. Contracts for the rides and bands have been signed. The liquor license has been applied for. There will be no raffle this year because of recent years it did not make any money. The Moose Lodge will be handling the food again this year.
- 2. Discussion ensued on weather radios for residents. Trustee Runion found Midland emergency weather radios for \$29.99, and she can put out a survey of any resident that would be interested in one. Trustee Runion made a motion to purchase the radios pending the outcome of the survey. Trustee Gavlick seconds. Roll call vote, all in favor, motion passed.
- 3. Trustee Runion stated that Facebook changed its platform and there is issue with the St Jacob Pride page. Trustee Runion suggested creating a new page and send out the information on the change on all village media. Trustee Richeson made a motion to approve the new Facebook page. Trustee Ashoff seconds. Roll call vote, all in favor, motion passed.

B. WATER AND SEWER:

1. Trustee Ross had nothing to report.

C. POLICE:

1. Trustee Elliott had nothing to report. Chief Kukla stated that when he reports calls for service just means the police department activity overall and that is how he will report it going forward. They answered 95 activities, issued 8 tickets, 2 warnings and collected \$1,466 in fines. Chief stated that the body cameras are both in use.

D. ORDINANCE AND FINANCE:

1. Trustee Gavlick reported that the monthly transfer for the debt service account needs to be increase for the yearly village hall loan payment. Trustee Gavlick made a motion to approve a \$4500 monthly transfer to the debt service account for the yearly loan payment. Trustee Richeson seconds. Roll call vote, all in favor, motion passed.

E. PUBLIC GROUNDS & BUILDINGS:

- Trustee Ashoff had nothing on the sidewalks yet. Mayor Schiefer suggested contacting IDOT regarding the sidewalks on Main St.
- 2. Trustee Ashoff reported that the insurance adjuster inspected the roof at the Activity Center, and it does have some damage. They approved \$2757.50 for the repairs. Trustee Ashoff will request a few bids for the repairs.

F. STREETS AND LANES/MOTOR FUEL TAX:

- Trustee Richeson reported that the 5th St. milling and paving is delayed until next week due to the weather.
- 2. Trustee Richeson reported that he had a call about speeding on 5th St and children playing. He has spoke with Bob Massa regarding and speed bump and signs. Massa did not recommend and permanent speed bump but rather a temporary one because a permanent one would be expensive is there were need of street repairs. Curtis stated that there are already "Children at Play: signs on the street but are the old non reflective signs. Curtis will order new reflective signs and the Police department to patrol the street more for anyone speeding and running the stop signs.

VI. REPORTS:

- A. Engineer Report-Nothing to report.
- B. Village Attorney-Nothing to report.
- C. FOIA request- Nothing to report.
- D. Building Inspector- Condemn a house.
- E. Planning Commission-Nothing to report.
- F. Zoning Officer- Nothing to report.
- G. Public Works- Trustee Gavlick questioned the well on Marine Road. Curtis stated that there is only a couple of months out of each year that we can use it due to having issues with water being compatible because of chlorine issue with the EPA. Discussion ensued on discontinuing all use of the well.

VII. OLD BUSINESS:

1. Trustee Runion stated that Rachel Burcham/4H Cloverbuds contacted her wanting to plant a black cherry tree at the Mill pond. Trustee Richeson will meet with her regarding the placement of the tree.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS:

IX. CLAIMS:

A. Trustee Gavlick made a motion to approve the claim in the amount of \$17,834.43. Trustee Ross seconds. Roll call vote, all in favor, motion passed.

X. OPEN TO PUBLIC

1. Stacy Evans addressed the board stating that she is not a fan of the weather radios because they go off even if the warning is not for St, Jacob but is anywhere in Madison County. She suggested everyone to sign up for code red and she would be glad to help anyone sign up.

She stated that after hearing the treasurer report that she was impressed with the financial state that the village is in and that the bills are always paid.

She has concerns with the tires on Main St. with water standing in them and being a prime breeding spots for mosquitos and wants the issue addressed. Curtis stated that public works will starting spraying in May.

XI. ADJOURNMENT:

A. Trustee Richeson made a motion to adjourn. Trustee Runion seconds. Voice call vote, all in favor, motion passed.

Meeting was adjourned 7:40 p.m.

Kathy Becker, Village Clerk

Deidard L. Schiefer
Richard Schiefer, Mayor