

**VILLAGE HALL
213 N DOUGLAS
PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 7, 2021
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES #21-07
CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Present:	Mayor Richard Schiefer	Trustee Jamie Runion
	Clerk Kathy Becker	Trustee Dawn Ross
	Chief Gary Kukla	Trustee George Gavlick
	Atty. James Craney	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 21-06 for March 17, 2021. Trustee Runion seconds the motion. Roll call vote, all in favor, motion passed.
2. Trustee Richeson made a motion to approve the agenda 21-07 for April 7, 2021. Trustee Ashoff seconds. Roll call vote, all in favor, motion passed.

II. COMMUNICATIONS:

1. Clerk Becker reported that Midwest Electronic Systems, Inc inspected the tornado siren on 4/6/21 and his report stated when he opens the cabinet that the lead was lit so the system had power, hit the manual tones a few times and they work. He had Curtis call Troy to do remote tests and they also worked. Mayor Schiefer was with the inspector and he ask him about the batteries and the inspector stated that they were also good. Trustee Gavlick suggested purchasing weather radio to hand out to the residents that would want one and that CODE RED is a free service that anyone can sign up for to get alerts on cell phones, landlines, and emails.
2. Mayor Schiefer congratulated Derek Ashoff, Jamie Runion and Dawn Ross on the being elected to the board for a 4-year term. He congratulated George Gavlick on being elected to a 2-year term.

III. OPEN TO PUBLIC:

1. Ken Kady addressed the board with a concern about a face book post of a resident living in the Village stating that defunding the police department is a good idea. He disagrees with this person and thanks the police chief and his department. He said that it is good to see an officer patrolling both in the day and night. He also stated that he believes that the body cameras are a good idea.
2. Robert Quam addressed the board regarding the water tower, he stated that age does not mean it needs to be replaced if there are no issues with it or maybe put up a second tower,

IV. TREASURER REPORT:

Newly hired Treasurer Joanne Berry present to the board the January 2021 treasurer report. Information on the nature of fund accounting and aspects of the unique types of revenues and expenditures of the Village were presented.

Police fund:

1. A grant was received to purchase an SUV for the school resource officer (SRO).
2. The negative \$9K in miscellaneous is the reimbursement from the school district for the services of the SRO.

Water fund:

1. There was a capital expenditure for electronic read meters.

Sewer Fund:

1. Professional fees are for IT services

For the month of January revenues exceeded expenditures by \$62K. Revenues exceed expenditures by \$653K for the first 10 months of the fiscal year which ended January 31.

Our cash balance is \$1.1 million

The balance on the mortgage of the new village hall is \$653K. Per the terms of mortgage note, \$4,200 is transferred to bank accounts which serve as collateral.

Trustee Richeson made a motion to approve the treasurer report. Trustee Ashoff seconds. Roll call vote, all in favor, motion passed.

V. COMMITTEES:

A. COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT/HEALTH:

1. Trustee Runion reported that she has been working with the park and they are going to have Fit Kids summer youth program for kids 5-12 in May & June. Each session will an hour twice a week. Healthy snack and drinks will be provided after each session. Local trainers, yoga instructors, local coaches, Triad Leo club and a few other volunteers will be leading these sessions. Trustee Runion ask the board to help with a sponsorship for the snacks in the amount of \$150 to be paid out of the homecoming account. Trustee Richeson made a motion to approve the sponsorship of \$150 for the program. Trustee Gavlick seconds. Roll call vote, all in favor, motion passed.

B. WATER AND SEWER:

1. Trustee Ross stated she is waiting for one more bid regarding the generator for the sewer plant.

C. POLICE:

1. Trustee Elliott reported that he is did see the comment posted with the concern of defunding the police department and that it is not even being considered. Attorney Craney stated that with the new statue the body camera's will be required within the next few years. Chief Kukla reported that they self-initiated or received 129 calls, issued 19 tickets, and 6 warnings.

D. ORDINANCE AND FINANCE:

1. Trustee Gavlick made a motion to approve the 2-acre vacation plat for Leder Lane, a minor subdivision located on Lake Road. Trustee Richeson seconds. Roll call vote, all in favor, motion passed.
2. Trustee Gavlick reminded the board to me working on the appropriation budget for the fiscal year.

E. PUBLIC GROUNDS & BUILDINGS:

1. Trustee Ashoff present a bid for a new zero turn mower has been secured for \$11,763.19 which is a 18% savings. Trustee Richeson made a motion to approve the purchase for the mower in the amount of \$11,763.19. Trustee Gavlick seconds. Roll call vote, all in favor, motion passed.
2. Discussion ensued on sidewalks on Napoleon & 3rd St and on West Main. Trustee Ashoff will be inspected the sidewalks and prioritizing the ones in need of repair and will check with IDOT for help with the ones on Main St.
3. Trustee Ashoff state that he had the clerk contact the insurance company about possible roof damage from the recent storm on the north side of the activity center and waiting on an adjuster.

F. STREETS AND LANES/MOTOR FUEL TAX:

1. Trustee Richeson ask to remove the crosswalk at the park until further information is received.
2. Trustee Richeson presented a supplemental bid from DeLaurent for additional work on 5th Street. Trustee Richeson made a motion to approve the bid for the work in the amount of \$19,996. Trustee Ashoff seconds. Roll call vote, all in favor, motion passed.

VI. REPORTS:

- A. Engineer Report-Nothing to report.
- B. Village Attorney-Reported that he has spoke with Bob Massa regarding the easement at the lift station on 5th St. for the placement of the fence.
- C. FOIA request- Nothing to report.
- D. Building Inspector- Nothing to report.
- E. Planning Commission-Nothing to report.
- F. Zoning Officer- Mayor Schiefer working on filling the position, waiting on a call back.
- G. Public Works -Nothing to report.

VII. OLD BUSINESS:

VIII. NEW BUSINESS:

IX. CLAIMS:

A. Trustee Richeson made a motion to approve the claim in the amount of \$45,513.53. Trustee Runion seconds. Roll call vote, all in favor, motion passed.

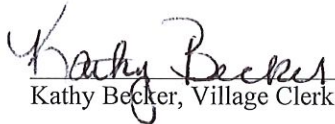
X. OPEN TO PUBLIC

1. Robert Quam addressed the board regarding the downloading of the body cameras and if we have enough storage on the computer. Chief Kukla will discuss with Acropolis. Trustee Gavlick that the main server is backed up.

XI. ADJOURNMENT:

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

Meeting was adjourned 7:54 p.m.


Kathy Becker, Village Clerk


Richard Schiefer, Mayor