# VILLAGE HALL 213 N DOUGLAS

# PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES WEDNESDAY, MAY 1, 2024

# **REGULAR MEETING MINUTES #24-09**

# CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Present:

Mayor Richard Schiefer

Kathy Becker

Chief Kukla

Trustee Nathan Schmidt

Trustee George Gavlick
Trustee Guideon Richeson

Absent:

Trustee Tim Elliott
Trustee Dawn Ross

Quorum present

Meeting called to order at 6:30 pm

#### I. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

- 1. Trustee Richeson made a motion to approve minutes 24-08 for April 17, 2024. Trustee Schmidt seconds. Roll call vote, all in favor, motion passed.
- 2. Trustee Richeson made a motion to approve the agenda for 24-09 for May 1, 2024. Trustee Gavlick seconds. Roll call vote, all in favor, motion passed.

## II. COMMUNICATIONS:

- 1. Mayor Schiefer swore in Derek Ashoff as Trustee.
- 2. Mayor Schiefer appointed new committee chairs and members as provided on the agenda. Trustee Richeson made a motion to approve the appointments as written. Trustee Ashoff seconds. Trustee Gavlick stated to take affect next meeting. Roll call vote, all in favor, motion passed.

# III. TO THE PUBLIC:

#### IV. TREASURER REPORT:

March minutes

The cash balance is \$1.2 million. The mortgage balance remains at \$548,000, The year in the hole. The general fund was in the black because of the ordinance and finance component of the general fund. There was a \$400,000 surplus in the ordinance and finance fund.

But there is more to the general fund than ordinance and finance.

The police fund was in the hole by over \$100,000. the streets fund was in the hole by almost \$142,000. the public grounds fund was in the hole by \$55,000. The economic Development Fund which has a small deficit

The audit fund's surplus was \$15,000. IMRF also has a surplus of over \$27,000. The insurance fund's surplus is almost \$15,000. The trash fund was \$4200.

Throughout the year property tax receipts of the Social Security fund could not keep pace with the expenditures. The only revenue this fund receives is property taxes. Salaries increased during the fiscal year, but the levy for the fund did not. MFT had a deficit due to numerous expenditures on oil and chipping. When those expenditures are given to the state, they will provide a supplement to offset the deficit. The water fund was in deficit because of infrastructure improvements. The sewer fund has a deficit of \$71,000 because of infrastructure improvements.

#### V. COMMITTEE:

#### A. COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT/HEALTH:

- 1. Trustee Richeson made a motion to approve the appointment of Zach Mason as a homecoming committee member. Trustee Gavlick seconds. Roll call vote, all in favor, motion passed.
- 2. Trustee Schmidt reported that they received the 3-food truck vendor contract for the homecoming.
- 3. Trustee Richeson stated that there will be a blood drive on July 1, 2024.

#### B. WATER AND SEWER:

- 1. Trustee Ross was not present.
- 2. Bob Massa was present and stated that a new water tower will not work and is looking into ground storage tank with a booster station.
- 3. Trustee Gavlick made a motion to approve the Authorization of a loan applicant's authorized representative to sign WPCLP loan application documents. Trustee Richeson seconds. Roll call vote, all in favor, motion passed.

## C. POLICE:

- 1. Trustee Elliott was not present.
- 2. Chief Kukla reported that they had no incidents and issued 4 tickets. He stated that there have been several complaints about loud noise with young kids overnight and asked if any of the board members knew the owner to try to solve this problem. Chief stated that we received the 4 new radios, and they are being programmed and adding more frequencies.
- 3. Trustee Gavlick made a motion to approve the Chief to go from salary to an hourly rate of what his salary is and to start with the next pay period. Trustee Schmidt seconds. Roll call vote, all in favor, motion passed.

## D. ORDINANCE AND FINANCE:

- 1. Solicitor ordinance tabled to next meeting
- 2. Raffle license and fees tabled to next meeting.
- 3. Trustee Gavlick Ordinance 24-630 Water Pollution Control Loan Program Ordinance Authorizing Loan Agreement Non-Home Rule Entity. Trustee Richeson seconds. Roll call vote, all in favor, motion passed.
- 4. Trustee Gavlick made a motion to approve the sponsorship for the St Jacob Lions Pasta and cow patty bingo and be covered under the Village dram shop for sales of alcohol not to exceed \$500. Trustee Schmidt seconds. Roll call vote, 3 ayes and Trustee Richeson abstained, motion passed.

## E. PUBLIC GROUNDS & BUILDINGS:

- 1. Trustee Schmidt had nothing to report.
- F. STREETS AND LANES/MOTOR FUEL TAX:
  - 1. Trustee Richeson had nothing to report.

## VI. REPORTS:

- A. Village Attorney- Nothing to report.
- B. Engineer Report- Nothing to report.
- C. FOIA request-Nothing to report.
- D. Building Inspector- Report from 1/1/24-4/30/24 was presented to the board. 3 building permits, 10 inspections for rental property, 17 building inspections, 43 phone calls on building and zoning issues and 1 certified letter for a property that has been condemned.
- E. Planning Commission-Nothing to report.
- F. Zoning Officer-Nothing to report.

G. Public Works- Nick reported that they have 2 meters left to install. One meter they will have to shut down the water main south and east of the Lucky Rooster. They will try to get it scheduled with everyone involved next week and those residents will have a boil order for 2 days. The second house that they need to change is being difficult to let them into the house to move it outside. The house is for sale, and no one is living there.

Nick reported that they are accepting part time positions for public works until May 10, 2024.

## VII. OLD BUSINESS:

#### VIII. NEW BUSINESS:

# IX. CLAIMS:

A. Trustee Richeson made a motion to approve the claims in the amount of \$47,939.13. Trustee Ashoff seconds. Roll call vote, all in favor, motion passed.

#### X. OPEN TO PUBLIC:

1. Jordan Ethridge stated that his wife would volunteer to feed the fish at the Mill Pond everyday all year long.

## XI. ADJOURNMENT:

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

Meeting adjourned 7:24 p.m.

Lathy Becker

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