

Regular Meeting June 6, 2019

The Village Board of Trustees met at 7:00 p.m. in the Gifford Village Building, to hold their regular monthly meeting. Officers and Trustees present were President Ackerman, Clerk Baker and Trustees Harris, McFadden, Pannbacker and Severins. Treasurer Christie Huls and Police Chief Weary present. Trustee Ehler and Hammond, Zoning Huls and Water Maintenance Jess Childress absent.

Dave Atchley from MSA, Jarrod Acton, Lori Carpenter, Jon Couture, Deanne Braselton, and Meaghan Offerman from the Rantoul Press were also present.

Pledge of Allegiance and roll call.

Deanne Braselton was present with pictures of the yard just north of her. She would like to see it mowed regularly and taken care of. Some of the weeds that are very large smell bad when mowed and causes problems with breathing. Sean Weary stated that in an Ordinance the lawns cannot grow more than 8 inches without being cut.

Lori Carpenter was present, and her property is the property just North of Braselton's. She said there are still flowers on the property from when Mrs. Sheffield lived there years back and she was wanting to get them out and not destroy them. She brought literature on the different flowers present in the yard. She also presented the board with paperwork about the house being for sale.

Trustee Severins stated that he never saw flowers that looked like that and he offered to come spray her yard to kill everything and till it so she could replant grass. She did not respond to the offer. He also stated there were lots of animals in the area and he suspects because of the yard not being kept up.

The board decided to call the UI Extension to see if someone could come out and take a look at the yard and tell us if the yard was weeds or flowers. A Trustee will accompany the UI person.

I stated that others were complaining to me about the house on Church St., across from the Church. It is worse than the house on Park St. I believe it has many animals living there as well, I live right west down the alley from the house.

Dave Atchley reported about creating a zoning map for Gifford for \$850.00. He brought an example of another map that had been created for The Village of Philo. This would update and digitize what we have.

Trustee Pannbacker made a motion to accept the Proposal from MSA to redo our Map at the cost of \$850.00. It was seconded by Trustee McFadden. All Trustees concurred in a roll call vote (4 yes and 0 no).

Dave Atchley also said the nitrate tracking was looking good.

Jon Couture reported the work on Eilers Drive has been completed. He also reported that the hydrant at Aims Crt. needs replacing. He said Jess Childress said it would cost about \$5,000.00.

The effective date for the water/sewer change/increase will be 7/1/2019. There will be notification on the June bill and on the web-site.

Each Trustee and Officer had been furnished minutes of the last regular meeting of May 2, 2019. Trustee McFadden made a motion to dispense with the reading of the minutes, regular and special. It was seconded by Trustee Pannbacker. All trustees concurred in a roll call vote (4 yes, 0 no). Trustee Pannbacker made a motion to accept the minutes as read. It was seconded by Trustee Severins. All trustees concurred in a roll call vote (4 yes, 0 no).

Each Trustee and Officer had been furnished printed copies of the bills to be considered for payment, holding back Hendricks/Warner for Trustee Ehler. Trustee Pannbacker made a motion to dispense with the reading of the bills. It was seconded by Trustee Harris. All Trustees concurred in a roll call vote (4 yes, 0 no).

Trustee Pannbacker made a motion to pay the bills with change. It was seconded by Trustee McFadden. All Trustees concurred in a roll call vote (4 yes, 0 no).

Each Trustee and Officer had been furnished printed copies of the Treasurer's Report, Trustee Pannbacker made a motion to dispense with the reading of the Treasurer's Report, except for the summary. It was seconded by Trustee Harris. All Trustees concurred in a roll call vote (4 yes, 0 no). The starting balance in Village accounts as of May, 2019 was \$800,633.91. Total money received for the month of May, 2019 was \$88,325.39 plus \$19.54 interest from CD#15399 and \$20.54 interest from CD#8170. Total expenses for the month were \$121,928.38 leaving a balance on May 31, 2019 of \$767,071.00.

POLICE REPORT

Police Report, hand out, in investigative matters there were 19 incidents, 1 report and 0 arrests. In traffic matters there were 41 incidents, 41 warnings, 0 citations and 0 arrests.

Chief Weary also reported about Ordinance Violations. The house on South Park, they were served papers. Continuance of the Jeakins property, Court date 6/20/2019.

Chief Weary also reported about vehicle license/sticker violations in town. The Ordinance is notice day 1 and after day 10 can file against the owner.

Chief Weary also reported that the bars will be serving alcohol inside only during the Independence Day Celebration. There will be no band and closing of the streets this year.

WATER AND SEWER REPORT- No report this month.

STREET AND ALLEY REPORT

The county road will be resurfaced and this will not include the parking areas, this is the responsibility of the Village.

SANITARY AND STORM REPORT

No report this month.

POWER LIGHTS AND TELEPHONE REPORT

No report this month.

RESOURCES MANAGEMENT AND PUBLIC RELATIONS REPORT

Trustee Harris reported that the Golf Cart Ordinance is on the Web-site and also a reminder to get stickers yearly. 1 new Military sign is needed and he also reported giving the signs to anyone who is moving out of town.

FACILITIES CONSTRUCTION AND MAINTENANCE REPORT

Trustee McFadden brought a 2019 Sidewalk proposal.

Project #1-Plumb St. and Main St., total footage 22 feet and ADA walk guard.

Project #2-West Summit, west of Community Building; total footage 255 feet and an ADA walk guard. There is already 35 feet new which is not part of 255. Crosses 1 driveway.

Project #3-Soth Main and Church, 412,414 and 416 S. Main; total footage of 215 feet and no ADA walk guard needed. Crosses 1 driveway.

Summit and S. Main need raised 1-2 inches, water stands on parts of current sidewalks.

OLD BUSINESS

Dave Atchley will bring bidding info to start the process of the water main project to the July meeting. Bidding can take place while EPA is looking at the project. Jess Childress is suggesting starting at Robin's and going all the way south on Main St. Dave Atchley said EPA could take 30-45 days and MSA needs about 5 weeks to get things ready.

NEW BUSINESS

Trustee Pannbacker made a motion to accept appropriations, Ordinance #425 for the 2019-20 year. It was seconded by Trustee Severins. All Trustees concurred in a roll call vote (4 yes, 0 no).

Trustee Pannbacker moved the meeting be adjourned. It was seconded by Trustee Severins. All Trustees concurred in a voice vote. The meeting was adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

Approved this 11th day of July, 2019
