

Regular Meeting May 6, 2021

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 and Trustees, Hammond, Harris, McFadden and Severins. Trustee Pannbacker was absent. Clerk Diane Baker, Treasurer Christie Huls and Zoning Jon Couture present. Water and Maintenance Childress and Chief Weary absent.

Jarrold Acton, Case Starkey, Cindy Duden and Katherine and Kevin Scudder present.

Pledge of Allegiance and roll call.

Trustee Severins made a motion to appoint Case Starkey for a 2-year open term as Trustee that was not filled this election. It was seconded by Trustee Severins. All trustees concurred in a roll call vote (4 yes, 0 no).

Trustee Hammond made a motion to seat Trustees Harris, McFadden and Severins for 4-year terms per election results. It was seconded by Trustee Starkey. All trustees concurred in a roll call vote (5 yes, 0 no).

Mr. and Mrs. Scudder were present regarding their garage, location 313 N. Park St. They met with zoning about the increase in size.

Trustee McFadden made a motion to allow the increase. It was seconded by Trustee Hammond. All trustees concurred in a roll call vote (5 yes, 0 no).

Jonathan Couture reported there was a problem with the wood chips in the bioreactor, him and Kocher resolved the situation for now. Jonathan has not reached out to MSA about the filters/sand as of yet to see if this can be purchased somewhere at a lower cost.

Each Trustee and Officer had been furnished minutes of the last regular meeting. Trustee Hammond made a motion to dispense with the reading of the minutes. It was seconded by Trustee Harris. All trustees concurred in a roll call vote (5 yes, 0 no). Trustee Hammond made a motion to accept the minutes as read. It was seconded by Trustee Severins. All trustees concurred in a roll call vote (5 yes, 0 no).

Each Trustee and Officer had been furnished printed copies of the bills to be considered for payment. Trustee Harris made a motion to dispense with the reading of the bills. It was seconded by Trustee Hammond. All Trustees concurred in a roll call vote (5 yes, 0 no). Trustee Hammond made a motion to pay the bills as presented. It was seconded by Trustee Starkey. All Trustees concurred in a roll call vote (5 yes, 0 no).

Each Trustee and Officer had been furnished printed copies of the Treasurer's Report, Trustee McFadden made a motion to dispense with the reading of the Treasurer's Report, except for the summary. It was seconded by Trustee Severins. All Trustees concurred in a roll call vote (5 yes, 0 no). The starting balance in Village accounts as of April 1, 2021 was \$1,012,195.81. Total money received for the month of April, 2021 was \$108,670.91 plus \$10.24 interest from CD#15399 and \$10.66 interest from CD#8170. Total expenses for the month were \$103,232.54 leaving a balance on April 30, 2021 of \$1,017,655.08.

**POLICE REPORT-** Police Report, hand out, in investigative matters there were 18 incidents, 2 reports and 0 arrests. In traffic matters there were 19 incidents, 17 warnings, 0 citations and 0 arrests.

## **VILLAGE OF GIFFORD WATER & WASTEWATER REPORT**

Total gallons of water pumped for – April – 2,093,000 gals.

Average daily consumption for – April – 69,766 gals.

- Dug up tile in front of Robin's car lot. Jetted the tile best we could and only got about half through it. We need to re-route the tile to the catch basin on the other side of the side-walk.
- Took all monthly water and sewer samples.
- Called animal control because of dog running loose around school.
- Pat Mills came in from EPA to take water samples at WTP. They were testing for PFAS chemicals in our water. All the tests came back negative.
- Mowed in town and at WWTP.
- \* Took maroon truck into Shields to have it serviced.
- \* We had to dig up Bio-reactor and replace the chips with 2" to 4" stone that covered header pipe. We also put one lateral line down the middle and filled it with the same size rock.
- \* Replaced a broken shut-off on chlorine injector at WTP.
- \* Back washed all pressure filters at WTP.
- \* Read all water meters and remotes.
- \* Sent out 12 letters for non-payment of water and sewer bills.
- \* Logged all water bill receipts and made all deposits.

Prepared by Jess Childress on 5/6/2021

**STREET AND ALLEY REPORT** – No Report.

**SANITARY AND STORM REPORT** – No Report.

### **POWER LIGHTS AND TELEPHONE REPORT**

Trustee Severins reported, no lights out at this time.

### **RESOURCES MANAGEMENT AND PUBLIC RELATIONS REPORT**

Trustee Harris will look into having a dump day and the cost. He also received information about another person joining the service, he will see to getting a sign on a pole on Main St.

### **FACILITIES CONSTRUCTION AND MAINTENANCE REPORT**

Trustee McFadden reported concrete needs to be poured around the concession area at the park, money is in the budget for this. Trustee McFadden question John Stalters property where he moved the rock back and put road pack down. Jonathan Couture told him Jess Childress had okayed this.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

Jessi Starkey has decided to wait and possibly look at different options about selling wine in her Boutique.

The board would like Trustee Pannbacker to reach out to MSA about the roads and where we are at with everything.

President Ackerman said the Ameren Franchise Agreement will expire in August, 2021. It is \$4,050.00 yearly. The Board is okay with renewing as an ordinance. This will be done at the June, 2021 meeting.

**NEW BUSINESS**

President Ackerman has a request to approve a 5-year Resolution to Adopt the Champaign County Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan Update.

Trustee Severins made a motion to approve a 5-year Resolution to Adopt the Champaign County Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan Update. It was seconded by Trustee Hammond. All Trustees concurred in a roll call vote (5 yes, 0 no).

President Ackerman has information about Champaign County Planning and Zoning Hearings if anyone on the Board is interested in attending.

President Ackerman reported that Eastern Illini Electric will be in town starting May 24<sup>th</sup> to trim trees, which does not affect the entire town.

7:55 p.m. to 8:10 p.m. the Board went into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing personnel issues.

Trustee Severins moved the meeting be adjourned. It was seconded by Trustee Harris. All Trustees concurred in a voice vote. The meeting was adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

Approved this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of June, 2021

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