

Regular Meeting January 6, 2022

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, McFadden, Pannbacker and Severins. Trustee Harris and Starkey were absent. Treasurer Christie Huls, Clerk Diane Baker, Water/Maintenance and Zoning Jon Couture were all present. Chief Weary and Jess Childress were absent.

Mike Buzicky from MSA, Hunter Hardesty and John Heine from gaj, Earl Smith and Jarod Acton present from community.

Pledge of Allegiance and roll call.

Mike Buzicky was present and had worked with Jonathan Couture and gaj, John Heine. John Heine reported about fine bubble aeration for waste and water treatment. Hunter Hardesty, Sales Engineer for gaj was present as well. Jonathan will get sludge removal quotes as well.

Jonathan Couture zoning report, Items for Zoning Change:

- 1) Added to article three R-1 and article four R-2 maximum number of permitted structures on a lot 3.
- 2) Solar panels to be added to zoning ordinance 12.102 solar panels allowed on primary structure or storage building with no permit. Free standing solar panels must be issued a permit and shall meet all setbacks.
- 3) Add to ordinance 12.107 drainage must be approved by village board members on the drainage committee.
- 4) Remove from ordinance 12.107 surface drainage of sump pumps shall not be allowed to drain on village easement.
- 5) Added to article twelve: Property regulations R-1 and R-2 districts (No permit required to change existing driveway to asphalt or concrete as long as same foot print is being used. Any changes to size greater than original footprint must be issued a permit and met all setbacks).
- 6) Added to ordinance 12.104 dog kennels that are permanently set in ground should be issued a permit and met all setbacks.

Jonathan also got a quote for work needed on truck. The quote was \$1,250.00. The board was okay with getting the work completed.

Earl Smith was present to report about the Nursing Home Tax Assessment and working with all the taxing bodies as well to lower the assessment. At this time Earl Smith is thinking the taxing bodies other than the nursing home are looking at getting another assessment for \$1,500.00 to get a more realistic assessment. He will let Mayor Ackerman know when they have another meeting set to discuss this. Earl also had a quote from Travis Uden to add on to the War Memorial at the South Park. The estimate is \$5,458.50. The board asked if he would look to see if others could also contribute like the Bank or Lion's Club.

Each Trustee and Officer had been furnished minutes of the last regular meeting. Trustee Pannbacker made a motion to dispense with the reading of the minutes. It was seconded by Trustee Severins. 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 Hammond. 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. Trustee McFadden 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 (4 yes, 0 no). Trustee Pannbacker made a motion to pay the bills as presented. 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 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 Severins. All Trustees concurred in a roll call vote (4 yes, 0 no). The starting balance in Village accounts as of December 1, 2021 was \$1,192,358.71. Total money received for the month of December 2021 was \$65,211.42 plus \$9.94 interest from CD#15399 and \$6.88 interest from CD#8170. Total expenses for the month were \$40,630.53 leaving a balance on December 31, 2021 of \$1,216,956.42.

Water Report

Total gallons of water pumped for December, 1,913,000 gals, the daily consumption was 61,710 gals.

- We had a 4” water main break on Ames Court.
- Changed out a 2” ball valve on the High service pump #3 at WTP.
- Replaced broken line on Chlorine pump at WTP.
- Repaired broken water service on South West St.
- Repaired sink hole on North Main St.
- Took all Monthly water and waste water samples.
- Back washed all pressure filters at WTP.
- Read all water meters and remotes.
- Sent out 10 letters for non-payment of water and sewer bills.
- Logged all water bill receipts and made all deposits.
- Put new water service in on Ames Court.

POLICE REPORT- No Report

STREET AND ALLEY REPORT – The Spring Oil & Chipping, we should get paperwork for this in February.

SANITARY AND STORM REPORT – Absent

POWER LIGHTS AND TELEPHONE REPORT– Trustee Severins reported several lights out on South Rd., he has taken care of this.

RESOURCES MANAGEMENT AND PUBLIC RELATIONS REPORT – Absent

FACILITIES CONSTRUCTION AND MAINTENANCE REPORT – No Report, but would like to see more quotes for the overhead door for the main village building.

OLD BUSINESS

Liquor Ordinance was not sent over to the lawyer, Diane Baker, Village Clerk was out of commission for most of the month. As soon as we get it back from the lawyer it will be on the agenda.

NEW BUSINESS

It was brought up to purchase a rock and or a tree in Memory of Harold Smith for the South Park.

Trustee Pannbacker moved the meeting be adjourned. It was seconded by Trustee McFadden. All Trustees concurred in a voice vote. The meeting was adjourned at 8:22 p.m.

Approved this 10th day of February, 2022
