

## Regular Meeting March 3, 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, Harris, McFadden, Severins and Starkey. Trustee Hammond and Pannbacker were absent. Treasurer Christie Huls, Clerk Diane Baker, Water/Maintenance/Zoning Jon Couture and Chief Weary were all present.

Mike Buzicky from MSA and Jarod Acton present.

Pledge of Allegiance and roll call.

Mike Buzicky had the paperwork to close out the IDOT MFT for last year. He would like a Professional Service Agreement at the next meeting to move forward with the waste water plant.

Trustee McFadden made a motion to approve and move forward with new aeration system. It was seconded by Trustee Harris. All trustees concurred in a roll call vote (4 yes, 0 no).

Jessi Starkey would like to have parking spaces reserved for the boutiques. When other events are in town and the parking fills up, it is hard for her customers to pick-up balloons, etc. Jonathan will check on pricing for reserved signage and report back to the board. 3 signs reserved time 45 minutes.

Jonathan Couture Report:

Cummins was out again and the controller board is bad/transfer switch.

Trustee Harris made a motion to approve fixing the control panel. It was seconded by Trustee Severins. All trustees concurred in a roll call vote (4 yes, 0 no).

Jonathan contacted McGuire Iron to get the water tower cleaned, the water tower is to be cleaned every 3 years, it was last cleaned in 2015.

Trustee McFadden made a motion to approve contract with McGuire Iron. It was seconded by Trustee Starkey. All trustees concurred in a roll call vote (4 yes, 0 no).

Jonathan is to get quotes from both R. Rademacher and Kocher for the work that is needed on West St. Trustee Starkey will notify homeowners effected, driveways will need to be torn up for the work. New St., 2 culverts are pushing out of the ground, Jonathan thinks only 1 is needed. He will look into further getting this fixed.

Jonathan asked the board if he could take a class at ISU for his sewer license. It is a week-long class with the test on Friday. Costs would be the class, hotel and food.

Trustee Starkey made a motion to approve the ISU class, hotel and food for Jonathan Couture. It was seconded by Trustee Harris. All trustees concurred in a roll call vote (4 yes, 0 no).

Jonathan reported the tornado sirens are getting serviced on March 10, 2022. It was approved in February to fix the broken one. He is to have Dave Bletscher look into the costs for the weather channel app for the sirens.

Zoning-Jonathan reported about the addition of buildings on properties. Rantoul uses percentages and it is 70%. Paxton has it as 1 accessory back not front. To report again at next meeting.

Each Trustee and Officer had been furnished minutes of the last regular meeting. Trustee Severins made a motion to dispense with the reading of the minutes. It was seconded by Trustee Starkey. All trustees concurred in a roll call vote (4 yes, 0 no). Trustee Harris 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. Trustee Severins made a motion to dispense with the reading of the bills. It was seconded by Trustee Starkey. All Trustees concurred in a roll call vote (4 yes, 0 no). Trustee McFadden 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 Starkey 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 February 1, 2022 was \$1,232,717.49. Total money received for the month of February 2022 was \$117,467.96 plus \$6.42 interest from CD#15399 and \$7.11 interest from CD#8170. Total expenses for the month were \$44,929.35 leaving a balance on February 28, 2022 of \$1,305,269.63.

### **Water Report**

Total gallons of water pumped for –February- 1,679,000

Average daily consumption for – February-60,000

Had to have Kenny Warner dig a deeper and wider trench in the sand filter due to lack of draining.

Cummins came again found a bad controller board in the generator transfer switch witch was not allowing it to run weekly cycles.

Spoke with Maguire Iron about cleaning out the water tower.

Spoke with Kalin Kocher about bidding West ST. drainage project

Met with Rock Excavating to bid West ST. drainage project

Plowed snow

Had to estimate water bills due to snow cover the board discussed quotes for dredging.

**POLICE REPORT-** Monthly investigative not specific as to Incidents, Reports or Arrests on report. Traffic Matters, 19 incidents, 18 warnings, 0 citations and 0 arrests.

**STREET AND ALLEY REPORT** – No Report

**SANITARY AND STORM REPORT** – Trustee Starkey reported about repair work on West St. Previously discussed with Jonathan Couture's report.

**POWER LIGHTS AND TELEPHONE REPORT**– Trustee Severins reported several lights out and all called in.

**RESOURCES MANAGEMENT AND PUBLIC RELATIONS REPORT** – No Report

**FACILITIES CONSTRUCTION AND MAINTENANCE REPORT** – No Report

### **OLD BUSINESS**

Liquor Ordinance still pending will be available at next meeting.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

Trustee McFadden made a motion to approve \$110,000.00 for IDOT MFT Fund, Resolution for Maintenance. It was seconded by Trustee Severins. All trustees concurred in a roll call vote (4 yes, 0 no).

Trustee Harris made a motion to approve \$42,837.56 for Rebuild Illinois Fund, Resolution for Maintenance. It was seconded by Trustee Severins. All trustees concurred in a roll call vote (4 yes, 0 no).

Motion to move into executive session, Trustee Severins and seconded by Trustee Starkey. Voice vote all yes.

Entered into executive session at 8:30 p.m. to discuss personnel issue.

Motion to move back to regular session, Trustee Severins and seconded by Trustee Starkey. Voice vote all yes.

Regular session 8:55 p.m.

Trustee Severins moved the meeting be adjourned. It was seconded by Trustee Starkey. All Trustees concurred in a voice vote. The meeting was adjourned at 8:55 p.m.

Approved this 7th day of April, 2022

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