

Regular Meeting May 5, 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, Severins and Starkey. Trustee Harris was absent. Treasurer Christie Huls, Clerk Diane Baker, Chief Weary and Water/Maintenance/Zoning Jon Couture were all present.

Community members present: Travis Youmans, Dustin Ehler, Cindy Duden, Gary Jones, Erin Kelley, Jarod Acton, Josh Kopmann, Scott Hammond, Earl Clemen and Rick & Debi Tyler.

Pledge of Allegiance and roll call.

Travis Youmans was present to talk about water issues at his house. He had presented at the last meeting with issues of water in house. He has invested around \$5,000.00 already trying to figure out the water issue, still no answers. He is wanting to know if the Village can reimburse him for some of the costs. He feels it is the pond not draining correctly causing his water problem. Dustin Ehler was present as well said the ponds are detention ponds and it is a Village/Gehrt issue. Dustin Ehler said we also needed more outlets to drain more water in town. Travis said he was going to put another tile around his house that is even lower.

Zoning-Jonathan Couture reported about a variance for a garage. Scott Hammond at 504 S. East St. is wanting to put up a garage, the set back is 15 feet and Scott is wanting it to 8 foot. It is a corner lot. Neighbors were present to object to the garage. They said it would obstruct views and is way too large for the 8-foot setback. The zoning board will reread the ordinance and make a decision to bring to the board at next meeting.

Rick and Debi Tyler were present to discuss a variance for an addition to their current garage.

The board would like Jonathan to jet the line from the pond to Gehrts property.

Jonathan said it will be a few months before Kalin can get to the West St. fix.

Jonathan has had no luck getting bids for the asphalt at Robin's. So will also hold on the concrete at Roberts house as well. He will report back next month.

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 (5 yes, 0 no). Trustee McFadden made a motion to accept the minutes as read. It was seconded by Trustee Pannbacker. 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 Starkey made a motion to dispense with the reading of the bills. It was seconded by Trustee Severins. All Trustees concurred in a roll call vote (5 yes, 0 no). Trustee McFadden made a motion to pay the bills as presented. It was seconded by Trustee Pannbacker. 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 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 (5 yes, 0 no). The starting balance in Village accounts as of April 1, 2022 was \$1,323,089.09. Total money received for the month of April 2022 was \$71,195.05 plus \$6.43 interest from CD#15399 and \$7.11 interest from CD#8170. Total expenses for the month were \$73,137.09 leaving a balance on April 30, 2022 of \$1,321,160.59.

VILLAGE OF GIFFORD WATER & WASTEWATER REPORT

Total gallons of water pumped for April-1,946,000

Average daily consumption for April-64,000

Sent out 16 letters for non-payment of water and sewer bills

Jetted tile at Robins Body Shop on west side of Main St. Water is actively flowing on the surface.

Broken water service at 501 S Park Ave.

Fluoride line at the WTP broke overnight.

Leveled and seeded all dig areas from last fall including Main St. tree project.

Rescheduled water tower clean-out to July

Started on IEPA permit for lagoon dredging just waiting for Rhino Industries to return information so I can finish permit.

Trustee Hammond made a motion to approve 2 sets of cameras, a set for the WWTP and a set for the Village Office Building. It was seconded by Trustee Starkey. All trustees concurred in a roll call vote (5 yes, 0 no).

POLICE REPORT- Monthly investigative, 13 Incidents, 2 Reports and 0 Arrests. Traffic Matters, 16 Incidents, 14 Warnings, 0 Citations and 0 Arrests.

STREET AND ALLEY REPORT – No Report

SANITARY AND STORM REPORT – Trustee Starkey reported Darren Suits has a broken tile. He already fixed it once himself. Board said to get ahold of drainage district and get it fixed.

POWER LIGHTS AND TELEPHONE REPORT– No Report

RESOURCES MANAGEMENT AND PUBLIC RELATIONS REPORT – Absent

FACILITIES CONSTRUCTION AND MAINTENANCE REPORT – No Report

OLD BUSINESS

Trustee Pannbacker to call about the crosswalks on Main St.

Trustee Starkey to take care of getting the stencil for the boutique shop parking.

Trustee Severins made a motion to approve the Budget, #435. It was seconded by Trustee Pannbacker. All trustees concurred in a roll call vote (5 yes, 0 no).

Trustee McFadden made a motion to purchase new bleachers for the south park at \$2,238.97. It was seconded by Trustee Pannbacker. All trustees concurred in a roll call vote (5 yes, 0 no).

There is no 4th celebration this year. Money taken out of the budget.

NEW BUSINESS

EXECUTIVE SESSION

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

Entered into executive session at 8:47 p.m. to discuss personnel issues.

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

Regular session 9:13 p.m.

Trustee Pannbacker moved the meeting be adjourned. It was seconded by Trustee Starkey. All Trustees concurred in a voice vote. The meeting was adjourned at 9:13 p.m.

Approved this 2nd day of June, 2022

