

Regular Meeting September 1, 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, Harris, McFadden, Pannbacker and Severins. Trustee Starkey was absent. Treasurer Christie Huls, Water/Maintenance/Zoning Jon Couture and Chief Weary were all present. Clerk Diane Baker was absent.

Community members present: Cindy Duden, Ryan and Angie Jones, Kevin Emkes, Josh Kopmann, Bob Ackerman, Leon Sieberns, Aaron & Abbie Sieberns and Earl Clements. Pledge of Allegiance and roll call.

Kevin Emkes said the utilities have been located, waiting to proceed with the EI Diamond. He said the drainage district dissolution hearing was discontinued because residents were not informed land owners had a meeting. 12/6/2022 at 1:15 p.m. next hearing. Question was brought up as to why they are wanting to dissolve.

Jonathan said he needs a larger boat for the sewer plant, board members are okay with the purchase for \$500.00. He also brought up trespassing at the water plant. Jonathan stated that he talked to a group of kids asking them to stay off the property for safety concerns. He also stated Chief Weary had spoken to the parents. Since speaking to them, Jonathan has seen same kids on the property via the security cameras. He asked if the attorney could send a letter regarding the issue.

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 Hammond. All trustees concurred in a roll call vote (5 yes, 0 no). Trustee Pannbacker made a motion to accept the minutes as read. It was seconded by Trustee Harris. 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 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 (5 yes, 0 no). Trustee Severins made a motion to pay the bills, adding Adkins Concrete for \$5,284.00. It was seconded by Trustee Hammond. 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 Severins 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 (5 yes, 0 no). The starting balance in Village accounts as of August 1, 2022 was \$1,319,933.36. Total money received for the month of August, 2022 was \$71,576.51 plus \$6.43 interest from CD#15399 and \$7.12 interest from CD#8170. Total expenses for the month were \$62,816.54 leaving a balance on August 31, 2022 of \$1,328,706.88.

VILLAGE OF GIFFORD WATER & WASTEWATER REPORT

Total gallons of water pumped for August-1,892,000

Average daily consumption for August-61,000

Painted all parking spots down town, painted 4 spots as 40-minute parking in front of Starkey and Crafty Farm Shop.

Started locating sewer man holes, found 6 were buried there was one behind the school on New St that had a culvert placed on top of I asked the school if they used it any more, they said that they did not so I removed it. I will need to purchase more manhole risers to finish this project.

Dug for the main airlines at the WWTP found that they were not usable. Per the ADS contract we are responsible for the first forty feet of 3-inch steel airline. I have put an order in for everything and I will need to complete this job and should have supplies in next week.

Removed all airlines and main headers out of lagoons one and two in preparations for dredging.

Pump number one at the WWTP alarmed out Monday night the 29th during the storm for pump failure I was unsuccessful in getting it back into operation I called John Keizer in to see if it was electrical, he was able to find that relays had shorten out most likely due to lightning parts are on order to get it fixed.

We used the township patcher to fix potholes around town.

I will need to rent a bigger pump to help drain the lagoons once we get ready to dredge probably a 6"-or 8" pump.

POLICE REPORT- Monthly investigative, 17 Incidents, 0 Reports and 0 Arrests. Traffic Matters, 19 Incidents, 17 Warnings, 0 Citations and 0 Arrests.

STREET AND ALLEY REPORT – Trustee Pannbacker spoke with Jeff Blue regarding crosswalk at South Park. County will pay for half of crosswalk and flashing sign, more information to follow.

SANITARY AND STORM REPORT – Trustee Starkey absent but reported Kocher quote for West St drainage project is now \$26,200.00, quote doubled from original quote. Table for later.

POWER LIGHTS AND TELEPHONE REPORT– Trustee Severins, No Report

RESOURCES MANAGEMENT AND PUBLIC RELATIONS REPORT – Trustee Harris, No Report

FACILITIES CONSTRUCTION AND MAINTENANCE REPORT – Trustee McFadden said sidewalk project completed with the exception of dirt/seeding. Having a hard time finding dirt.

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

Trustee Pannbacker would like to purchase TV/IPAD for the board room, board approved this.

Cameras at the water plant are working well. Residents are helping themselves to rock and children trespassing.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

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

Entered into executive session at 8:00 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 8:20 p.m.

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 8:25 p.m.

Approved this 6th day of October, 2022
