

## Regular Meeting April 4, 2024

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 Pannbacker and Trustees, Hammond, Harris, McCarty, McFadden, Severins and Starkey. Treasurer Christie Huls was present, Clerk Diane Baker and Zoning/Water Maintenance Jonathan Couture were absent.

Community/Business members present: Cindy Duden, Jarrod Acton, Angie Jones, Ryan Jones, Josh Kopmann, Leon Sieberns all Community Members. Barb Stiehl from IPWMAN, Business.

Pledge of Allegiance and roll call.

Barb Stiehl presented from IPMAN, Illinois Public Works Mutual Aid Network. The organization includes area communities that work together to help when a disaster strikes. The Website shows all who are part of the organization, you can join on website. To be put on next month's agenda.

Leon Sieberns was there to talk about the drainage issue on the property East of town. Trustee Hammond asked Leon what he would like to see happen. Leon said he would not make an agreement outside of the law. Stacy asked if the old tile was acceptable prior to adding the new? President Pannbacker said he was still waiting on response from the attorney, he will contact them again.

Jarrold Acton was present to discuss property on S.Park St. He asked if the Trees were included in the demolition. President Adam said it did not, the village followed the court order for the demolition. Jarrod asked what the plans were moving forward because he may be interested in the property.

Each Trustee and Officer had been furnished minutes of the last regular meeting of March 7, 2024. Trustee Harris 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 (6 yes, 0 no). Trustee Harris made a motion to accept the minutes as read. It was seconded by Trustee Hammond. All trustees concurred in a roll call vote (6 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 (6 yes, 0 no). Trustee McCarty made a motion to pay the bills. It was seconded by Trustee Starkey. All Trustees concurred in a roll call vote (6 yes, 0 no).

Each Trustee and Officer had been furnished printed copies of the Treasurer's Report, Trustee Hammond 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 (6 yes, 0 no). The starting balance in Village accounts as of March 1, 2024 was \$1,134,996.16. Total money received for the month of March 2024 was \$71,693.50 plus \$60.84 interest from CD#15399 and \$60.44 interest from CD#8170. Total expenses for the month were \$70,356.66 leaving a balance on March 31, 2024, of \$1,136,454.28.

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

Total gallons of water pumped for March-1,841,000

Average daily consumption for March-59,000

Had to dig up 107 S New St. water service again, found a leak under the road and replaced the water line.

Over the past couple months, I have noticed the effluent water at the WWTP turning green, I had Illinois rural water help me to figure out what was causing it. We found algae growth on the rocks about a foot under water. Seeing that the TSS and Nitrate levels were going up in the effluent sample, they believe there was not enough bacteria in the water to eliminate the nitrate.

Solutions to fix the problem are to dye the lagoons blue to stop more growth and add more bacteria ASAP to eliminate what is left and prevent future growth.

**POLICE REPORT-** No report.

**STREET AND ALLEY REPORT** – Trustee McCarty reported the Hannagan house at North Pointe needed looked at, maybe needing culverts.

**SANITARY AND STORM REPORT** – Trustee Starkey, no report.

**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, no report.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

Wastewater Treatment Plant Plan still in process.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

Driveway ordinance, next meeting. IPWMAN add to agenda next month.

**Executive-Cancelled.**

Trustee Starkey moved the regular meeting be adjourned. It was seconded by Trustee McFadden. All Trustees concurred in a voice vote. The meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

Approved this 2nd day of May, 2024

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