

Regular Meeting November 7, 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, McCarty, McFadden and Severins. Trustees Harris and Starkey were absent. Clerk Diane Baker; Treasurer Christie Huls; Zoning/Water Maintenance Jonathan Couture and Ray Rich Police Chief were Present.

Community/Business members present: Mr. Patel Fehr Graham, Cindy Duden, Tony McLane, Staci Huls, Ed Valaquez, Jarod Acton and Steve Grisswold.

Pledge of Allegiance and roll call.

Ed Valaquez inquired about having chickens in the village. President Pannbacker said the board would discuss this, the ordinance at this time has no chickens in the village.

Tony McLane from the Bank asked if he could have Derrick Deem come in and fix up the War Memorial, the brick, concrete, border and rock. The bank would pay for the work. He would like it to look nice and honor the Veterans. The board was fine with him doing this. He said he would involve the board as well.

Jarod Acton inquired again about the property on Park St., he wanted to know how much the Village has put into it. Again, President Pannbacker told him it was between 40-50 thousand dollars.

Staci Huls was present regarding the parade and open house on December 8 from 3-5 p.m. downtown. She is reaching out to the Community to have floats in the parade. She also informed the board about closing off the downtown area for traffic during this time.

Mr. Patel was present from Fehr Graham with information on the WWTP and he gave an update on costs and what was needed to go to the EPA.

Each Trustee and Officer had been furnished minutes from October, 2024. Trustee Hammond 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 Hammond made a motion to accept the minutes as read. It was seconded by Trustee McCarty. 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 Hammond made a motion to dispense with the reading of the bills. It was seconded by Trustee McCarty. All Trustees concurred in a roll call vote (4 yes, 0 no). Trustee McFadden made a motion to pay the bills with a couple adjustments. It was seconded by Trustee Severins. All Trustees concurred in a roll call vote (4 yes, 0 no).

Each Trustee and Officer has printed copies of the Treasurer's Report, Trustee McCarty 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 October 1, 2024 was \$1,175,116.81. Total money received for the month of October was \$75,974.87 plus \$63.87 interest from CD#15399 and \$62.86 interest from CD#8170. Total expenses for the month were \$71,773.79 leaving a balance on October 31, 2024, of \$1,179,444.62.

Treasurer Christie Huls said the O&M fund was low and needed to have money transferred into it.

+Trustee McFadden made a motion to move \$40,000 from the sinking fund to the O&M fund. It was seconded by Trustee Hammond. All trustees concurred in a roll call vote (4 yes, 0 no).

VILLAGE OF GIFFORD WATER & WASTEWATER REPORT

Total gallons of water pumped for October-1,949,000

Average daily consumption for October-63,000

No issues to report.

POLICE REPORT-Police Chief Ray Rich, No report.

STREET AND ALLEY REPORT- Trustee McCarty, No report.

SANITARY AND STORM REPORT- Trustee Starkey, Absent.

POWER LIGHTS AND TELEPHONE REPORT- Trustee Severins, No report.

RESOURCES MANAGEMENT AND PUBLIC RELATIONS REPORT- Trustee Harris, Absent.

FACILITIES CONSTRUCTION AND MAINTENANCE REPORT- Trustee McFadden, No report.

OTHER REPORTS- President Pannbacker said that Marlys Johnson inquired about a tile possibly between her house and her neighbors after he puts his garage up. The board seemed to think she would not need it for the drainage.

ESDA-No report.

Zoning-No report.

OLD BUSINESS

Wastewater Treatment Plant Plan, Mr. Patel presented information.

Water Tower-Jonathan will keep an eye out for any more issues with the paint job.

NEW BUSINESS

Liquor license error in times, redone by the lawyer.

Trustee McCarty made a motion to accept Ordinance #442 with the correct selling times for alcohol in the village. It was seconded by Trustee Severins. All trustees concurred in a roll call vote (4 yes, 0 no).

Trustee Severins made a motion to accept the Tax Levy Ordinance #443 as presented. It was seconded by Trustee Hammond. All trustees concurred in a roll call vote (4 yes, 0 no).

Kurtis Johnson was notified about the culvert at Dudens. There are no HOA rules against putting a culvert/tile in at North Point.

EXECUTIVE

ADJOURNMENT

Trustee Hammond moved the meeting be adjourned. It was seconded by Trustee McCarty. All Trustees concurred in a voice vote. The meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

Approved this 5th day of December, 2024

