

# Village of Washburn

**Mayor**  
Werner Elliott

January 11<sup>th</sup>, 2016  
Monthly Board Minutes

**Board of Trustees**  
Edward Grebner  
Steve Prather  
Larry Tomlinson  
Eric Vaughn  
Pat Winkler  
Jessica Youngman

**Village Clerk**  
Becky Ulrich

**Village Treasurer**  
Cheri Clark

**Water/Sewer/Street Department**  
Matt Strauch

**Chief of Police**  
Jeff Moline

Werner called the meeting to order. Roll call was taken; all members were present but Steve. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

The December meeting minutes were reviewed. Pat made a motion to approve the minutes, Ed seconded.

The bills were reviewed. Jess made a motion to approve the bills, Ed seconded it. All ayes, motion carried.

**STREETS:** Jess said they discussed the alley vacating. They are still in the process of getting the information together and getting ready to send it to Danny to take a look at. It should be ready by next month's meeting.

There is a sinkhole problem in the alley by the Frontier station. Matt will look into it when he gets a few free minutes.

We received a lot of compliments on how quickly the guys got the trees, limbs, etc. cleaned up after the ice storm.

**WATER/SEWER:** Matt said we are having a problem with well #1. It's acting up and he thinks it something with the wire or panel. Matt said he feel stuck in the middle between the two guys, one thinks something is wrong with the wiring and the other thinks it's the panel, and Matt says he's not sure what to do. There was a discussion regarding this.

The painter came on Thursday to look at the water tower and we should be getting an estimate soon.

There was a short discussion regarding MFT funds.

Steve joined the meeting.

**POLICE:** Jeff left the meeting on a call. Eric made a motion for a permanent transfer of \$8,500 from corporate to police, Ed seconded it. All ayes, motion carried.

**FINANCE, INSURANCE & TIF:** There was a brief discussion regarding the codification proposal. We can use TIF money to pay for half of it. Pat made a motion to accept the bid proposal, Ed seconded it. All ayes, motion carried.

Jess made a motion to approve the Insurance for 2016, Pat seconded it. All ayes, motion carried

Pat asked Cheri if she posted the OSHA flyers? Yes she did.

**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT:** Steve has been talking to a person at Frontier. They outsource the website portion. He said it's rather expensive. They want \$7/month per email address, which seems like way too much, in his opinion. Steve would like to talk to MTCO and get their prices.

Werner told Steve to get current website shut down for now and continue working toward building a new one.

Cheri asked who the school uses, she wondered if we can use the same as them. The board thinks the school probably goes through the state but it's something worth looking into.

Matt mentioned something about maybe contacting Dave Uphoff in Minonk regarding the website.

Werner mentioned KnuckleHeads will be opening at the end of February. The owners are from Mackinaw. He also owns a tree service. He's trying to keep everything local, he's been buying everything from Winkler's, etc.

**LIBRARY:** Grant didn't get hold of Pat so she will contact him this month.

**PARK:** There was a discussion regarding some of the flood damage. PJ is checking on how much dirt we may need to bring in. There was talk maybe we can split the cost with summer rec.

There was also a discussion regarding the can lights getting finished. Matt said he will talk to Kennell's about getting the wires ran and light up to get this project done.

**OLD BUSINESS:** Colt said Danny asked him to follow up regarding the codification and the alley vacating. Both were previously talk about in the meeting. Jess will send Danny a follow up email.

**NEW BUSINESS:** The board talked about the publication process. There was a misunderstanding between us and Tammy. Becky and Tammy will work it out. Nothing further needed regarding this issue.

Pat made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Jess seconded it. All ayes, motion carried.

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Washburn Village Clerk

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