

Village of Washburn

Mayor
Werner Elliott

February 13th, 2017
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

Mayor called the meeting to order. Roll call was taken; all members were present but Pat and Eric. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

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

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

WATER/SEWER: There's not much to discuss. Matt sold the old lift pumps for \$5,000. The floor is poured in the building .

STREETS: Judd Giffin was here to chat about approving MFT. He was here a few days ago and went over the streets and areas with Matt and they came up with a plan.

Jess made a motion to approve the MFT, Ed seconded it. All ayes, motion carried.

Jess said we got some proposals for the 100-year flood plain establishment. Jess said she has read through in detail the four proposals. All the bidders seemed very well qualified. Two of the proposals seem much more detailed. She said she has worked for/with both companies that provided the more detailed bids. Both companies also have employees located in Washburn. Jess did disclose that her husband does work for Midwest, which is one of the better two firms, in her opinion. Midwest's proposal is very detailed, which could be beneficial down the road.

FEMA would normally charge us a fee of \$8,250-\$9,000. However, Jess has email confirmation stating FEMA would wave that fee for a municipality.

There was a small discussion regarding this.

Ed made a motion to proceed with Midwest for the flood plain study, Steve seconded it. A roll call vote was taken: Larry – yes, Jess – abstain due to her husband works for Midwest, Ed – yes, Steve – yes, Eric – absent, Pat – absent. Motion carried.

POLICE: Ed made a motion for a permanent transfer from corporate to police of \$10,500; Ed seconded it. All ayes, motion carried.

Jeff gave his monthly police report.

There was a small discussion regarding the incident at Knuckle Heads on January 30th. The owner was told that if he had the event he would be fined. He is also aware that he will now be receiving a citation and a fine.

FINANCE, INSURANCE & TIF: It was mentioned that Cheri would like to pay off our current line of credit and renew that line of credit for another year. It will cost \$100 to renew the line of credit.

Ed made a motion to pay off the current line of credit, Jess seconded it. All ayes, motion carried.

Ed made a motion to have the mayor and clerk renew our line of credit for \$150,000 at the Washburn Community Bank, Jess seconded it. All aye, motion carried.

The TIF attorney was here to talk about renewing our extension. It would be a 12-year extension. However, the current one doesn't expire until 2023, but he wanted to make sure we had the information.

We need to schedule a budget meeting. There was a short discussion. The budget meeting is scheduled for March 8th after the committee meeting. Chere will have all the info prepared, as she has in the past.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT: Steve said he ran into a snag with the current website software. That program is no longer available so he is going to have to go with another software and basically start over.

It was mentioned that the ordinances are available online at AmericanLegalPublishing.com.

Ed asked if everyone was aware that the Countyline Tool building was sold? PDC/Area Disposal bought it. It was also mentioned that it's been heard through the grape-vine that they are planning on turning it into a transfer station. We may need to keep an eye on it because those transfer stations are usually unsightly.

It was also mentioned, that we've heard that Ulrich's is going to be opening back up as a repair shop by someone local.

LIBRARY: No one from the committee was at the board meeting.

PARKS: Nothing.

OLD BUSINESS: Nothing.

NEW BUSINESS: Nothing.

The Executive Session was cancelled.

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

Washburn Village Clerk

Date