

Village of Washburn

Mayor
Werner Elliott

May 14th 2018
Monthly Board Minutes

Board of Trustees
Kevin Burdette
Jessica Damerell
Edward Grebner
Ginger Humphrey
Steve Prather
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 here. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

The meeting minutes were reviewed. Ed made a motion to approve the March 12th minutes, Steve seconded it. Ed made a motion to approve the April 9th minutes, Ginger seconded it. Steve made a motion to approve the April 25th Special meeting minutes, Ed seconded it. All ayes, motion carried for all minute motions.

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

STREETS: Jess said the sidewalk across the street has been put in.

The inlet on Parkside Drive is in, but there is still a little work to do on it.

We got a bid to remove three trees; one by Steve Prather's house, one by Jessica Lowry's house and one by Steve Beschorner's house. The bid is from Prather's for \$3,600. Jess made a motion to accept the bid from Prather for \$3,600 for the tree removal, Ed seconded it. A roll call vote was taken: Jessica – yes, Jess – yes, Ed – yes, Steve – abstain, Ginger – yes, Kevin – yes. Jessica asked if we are going to be replacing any of the trees we are cutting down? Ginger said yes some of them will eventually get replace, and some new ones will also be put in along 89.

WATER: The water and sewer is in across the street.

Kennell's are working in town again.

POLICE: Ginger said no transfer was needed this month.

Jeff was not at the meeting.

Kevin said there are a couple additional things that have been added to the police report that Jeff provided last week. Jeff was questioning Kevin about Ordinance 92.16 re: lawn mowing wording. He's not sure if he's supposed to be enforcing the ordinance or the village because it says a village employee. The board discussed and it was said the police are village employees, so yes they can enforce. Ginger will talk with Jeff about it.

FINANCE, INSURANCE & TIF: Nothing.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT: Randy Knoblauch & Bette Grebner can be sworn in to the zoning committee. Randy is here. Bette isn't here. Ed said he hasn't heard anymore about it from her. There was a small discussion with Randy regarding the responsibilities etc. Mayor swore Randy Knoblauch in as Zoning Officer.

Kevin said the meeting with the dollar store people is still on for tomorrow. This company deals with Dollar General, Dollar Tree, and Family Dollar. Tim School had also reached out to them in the past year as well so Kevin invited Tim to attend the meeting also. The meeting will be here at Village Hall tomorrow (Tuesday, May 15th) at 6:00 pm. The meeting is with Tory from Greater Peoria Eco Development Council.

Werner said he got an email from Nixle to start getting their services set up. There was a small discussion regarding this.

LIBRARY: Nothing.

PARKS: Nothing.

OTHER: Colt is at the meeting today in Danny's absence; he said Danny didn't have anything for us.

OLD BUSINESS: Werner makes a motion to re-hire Matt as head of Water/Streets, Jeff as Police Chief, Cheri as Water/Sewer Clerk and Danny as the Village Attorney; Steve seconded it. All ayes, motion carried.

We need to make recommendations for pay increases. Werner said his thoughts on a pay increase for Cheri should be 3%. She works hard, always gets us what we need and ask for quickly, she does a great job etc. There was a small discussion regarding this.

Clearly Jared would not receive a raise at this point as he was just hired.

There was a discussion regarding Matt's pay increase. No one had anything negative to say about Matt. Ed would agree with a cost of living raise, Kevin noted adding a helper to Matt will relieve some responsibilities, but also add some level of stress.

Ginger said she would recommend a 2% cost of living raise for Jeff. Ginger recommends a 2% raise for John as well.

Jessica asked if everyone had their reviews? Yes.

Jess made a motion to give raises retro active to May 1st as follows: 3% pay increase for Cheri and a 2% pay increase for Jeff, John and Matt, Ed seconded it. A roll call vote was taken: Jessica – yes, Jess – yes, Ed – yes, Steve – yes, Ginger – yes, Kevin – yes.

NEW BUSINESS: Ginger made a motion to create Resolution 18-01, Road Closure for Route 89 from 5:00 p.m. Tuesday, August 14 through Noon Sunday, August 19th for the Washburn Festival, Kevin seconded it. All ayes, motion carried.

Jess said W.O.W. put up signs on both ends of town on 89 and would like to do some landscaping around them. Jess thinks \$3,000 should cover the cost or at least come close to covering the cost and if it doesn't they would have to figure out the rest of the bill themselves. Jess made a motion to donate up to \$3,000 to Women of Washburn to beautify the signs, Jessica seconded it. All ayes, motion carried.

Werner said we can strike the last two things off the agenda if you haven't already done so as those items are no longer needed/apply.

Jess made a motion to adjourn, Steve seconded it. All ayes, motion carried.

Washburn Village Clerk

Date