

# Village of Washburn

**Mayor**  
Werner Elliott

June 11<sup>th</sup> 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 but Jess and Ed. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

The meeting minutes were reviewed. Ginger made a motion to approve the May minutes, Kevin seconded it. All ayes, motion carried for all minute motions.

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

**STREETS:** Jess and Ed are not here. Ginger said they are wanting to buy a backhoe. The one Matt has looked at and is wanting has an asking price of \$70,000 and they will give us \$10,000 for ours. Tim from the bank gave the committee some loan info and it looks like maybe a 3-year loan option would be the best idea. The board looked at the loan info/paper provided. Matt said maybe we should try and sell our backhoe outright instead of trading it in; we may be able to get more money if we sell it ourselves. There was a discussion regarding the backhoe. The one we are looking to buy is used but in really good condition and only has 70 hours on it. Matt thinks it's worth the money they are asking. It was asked if/what other major expenses we have coming up? They only thing would be a truck maybe in the next couple of years. Ginger made a motion to approve the purchase of the backhoe at \$70,000, with the option of trading our current one in or selling it outright, financing it through Washburn Community Bank using the 3-year financing option, Jessica seconded it. All ayes, motion carried.

**WATER:** Ginger said she thinks a letter needs to be sent out because there are still some houses that have water bypass systems in their basement. Ginger asked if Danny could send these homeowners a letter. Danny asked if we have the names and addresses for the people in question? Yes, Cheri will email Danny the info and he will take care of it.

**POLICE:** Ginger made a motion to transfer \$8,300 from corporate to police, Jessica seconded it. All ayes, motion carried.

Jeff gave his monthly police report. He said 10 people have been warned about grass mowing, or lack thereof.

**FINANCE, INSURANCE & TIF:** Steve made a motion to assign Ed Grebner as a back-up bank signer and remove to Werner Elliott, Ginger seconded it. All ayes, motion carried.

**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT:** Randy, the zoning officer would like to add a tablet like Matt has with the GPS info on it to our monthly plan. It would cost \$13/month for this service. Ginger made a motion to add a tablet with the necessary GPS services on it to our plan for the zoning officer Randy, Steve seconded it. All ayes, motion carried.

**LIBRARY:** Jessica said we can cross of the remodeling quote as the Library people are not ready yet.

**PARKS:** They put a new AC unit in down at the concession stand building. It cost \$2,000. It's already been purchased and installed. The portable unit we had before was not suitable for what we were trying to use it for and was not keeping up, causing equipment to breakdown etc.

**OTHER:** Danny has a Prevailing wage resolution ready to pass. He is going to go with the September 2017 rates as these are the latest ones available. Ginger made a motion to pass Prevailing Wage Resolution R-18-03, Kevin seconded it. All aye, motion carried.

Steve said there was nothing to vote on regarding the Chestnut road issue.

**OLD BUSINESS:** IDOT got a hold of Cheri, they needed a number changed for the route 89 road closure resolution because something on their end changed. Steve made a motion to approve the revision as stated to R-18-01, Ginger seconded it. A roll call vote was taken: Jessica – yes, Jess – absent, Ed – absent, Steve – yes, Ginger – yes, Kevin – yes.

Werner asked if anyone from the audience had anything? Werner said it looked like Bette showed up to be voted in on the zoning board but it's not on the agenda so we can't vote on it tonight. There was a small discussion regarding this. Cheri was asked put it on the agenda for next month.

Danny asked Steve about when his building date at the Industrial Park is up? He said June 13, 2018; so in two days. Steve asked if he could get an extension, he said he thought he could get it done in a month. Ginger said should would not be in favor of an extension as she has not seen any progress made on the issues we've made it the past. Steve said he would slap something together to resemble a structure in the next two days then. Kevin said he would rather see something better put up with the month rather than have something slapped together in two days that's going to look like crap. Danny asked if we could make a compromise? If we gave him the month extension would he be able to address the other issues a well? There was a small discussion on what all needs to be addressed. Once a list of items was made Steve said it would probably take him six weeks to build the building and address the list of issues. Kevin said he would be ok with the longer extension of all issues were addresses and Mayor agreed. The following issues need to be corrected by July 25<sup>th</sup> 2018: the building will be up with matching siding, the vehicles will be removed, the boat will be removed, the trampoline will be removed, the rabbit shed will be removed.

**NEW BUSINESS:** Werner has provided the board with a letter of resignation dated 6-11-18. He said it's been an honor to be on the board but he and his family are moving out of town and can no longer fulfill is role as mayor. Werner nominated Ed Grebner as pro-tem mayor until next election.

Kevin mentioned there might be a problem if Bette becomes a member of the zoning board and Becky is on the board already and Ed is also on the board/pro-tem mayor. There was a discussion regarding this. Werner made a motion to appoint Ed as the pro-tem mayor, Kevin seconded it. A roll call vote was taken: Jessica – yes, Jess – absent, Ed – absent, Steve – yes, Ginger – yes, Kevin – yes. Ed will become pro-tem mayor.

Werner asked if they were any objections to his resignation? No.

Ginger made a motion to adjourn, Kevin seconded it. All ayes, motion carried.

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Washburn Village Clerk

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Date