

Village of Washburn

Mayor

Rob Stanfield

Village Clerk

Becky Ulrich

Village Treasurer

Cheri Clark

Water/Sewer/Street Department

Matt Strauch

November 10th, 2014
Monthly Board Minutes

Board of Trustees

Edward Grebner
Kristy Humphrey
Scott Skeleton
Larry Tomlinson
Pat Winkler
Jessica Youngman

Chief of Police

Jeff Moline

Mayor called the meeting to order. Roll call was taken, all members were present except Scott. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

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

The bills were reviewed. Pat had a question regarding why Danny's bill is so much for the issue between SGA and Judd. There was a discussion regarding this. Jess made a motion to pay the bills, Pat seconded it. All ayes, motion carried.

The Jake Brake Ordinance needs to be brought up for approval. Jess made a motion to approve Jake Brake Ordinance 14-02, Pat seconded it. A roll call vote was taken: Larry – no, Jess – yes, Ed – yes, Scott – absent, Kristy – yes, Pat – yes. Four yes, one no, one absent; motion passes.

STREETS: The board received a letter/bill from a resident who took it upon himself to fix a drainage ditch issue on his property. He is requesting reimbursement for this work. Matt helped him with this work for two days, not on village time. Matt helped him with the backhoe work and dirt removal. There was a brief discussion regarding this. Larry made a motion to deny reimbursement, Ed seconded. All ayes, motion carried. It was mentioned that he could possibly contact that USDA in Eureka to see if they could be of any assistance.

Matt mentioned we got Park Street paved. It looks nice. Jim Gebel was in the audience and wanted to thank the board for getting it done.

WATER/SEWER: Judd gave an update on the water plant project. We are close to budget. The lead paint was an additional \$27,000, but we've saved some money in other areas so at this point it's still close to budget. He also mentioned that the roof needs some work done around the tank.

POLICE: Pat made a motion to transfer \$12,700 from corporate to police, Jess seconded it. All ayes, motion carried.

Jeff gave his monthly police report. There was a discussion regarding a registered sex offender living in the area. There was a discussion of where he can and cannot live.

Next there was a discussion regarding a poorly up kept property near the village which is located in Marshall County, not within village limits. The town has no jurisdiction over this property. In order for the town to get jurisdiction we would have to force annex this property and that is not something we want to do. It would be very costly. We need to take complaints to the Marshall County Zoning Officer, Pat Sloan 309-246-2752.

Cheri also mentioned that the funeral home has complained multiple times about the property next door to them. Something needs to be done to get that property cleaned up. Jeff with pursue it.

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FINANCE, INSURANCE & TIF: Cheri said she talked with Tim at the bank. If it came to it that we needed to get a loan, we could through them. He said they would match an interest rate from the EPA, if their rate was better. This would be more like a line of credit. We would only pay interest on what we use. We could pay it back monthly/quarterly etc.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT: Nothing.

LIBRARY: Nothing.

PARK: We need to post the bids for the 2015 mowing of Half Moon. Bids will be due by noon on Thursday, December 4th, to be opened at the committee meeting that night. The bid will be awarded at the board meeting on Monday, December 8th.

OTHER BUSINESS: Christmas bonuses were discussed at the committee meetings. Last year part-time employees got \$50, full-time employees got \$200 bonuses. Jess made a motion to give part-time employees a bonus of \$100, full-time employees \$250, except Matt and he would receive a \$2000 bonus. Kristy seconded it. There was then some discussion. Larry asked if we gave our employees a raise this year? Yes we did, 3%. The motion was denied. There was then a discussion that this is a Christmas bonus not a performance bonus and that Christmas bonuses should be equal. Kristy then made a motion to give part-time employees a bonus of \$100, full-time employees \$250, and an additional performance bonus of \$1750 to Matt; Pat seconded it. All ayes, except Larry; motion passes.

VILLAGE ATTORNEY: Nothing.

NEW BUSINESS: Rob and Danny spoke about what will happen with a mayor pro-tem. Pat made a motion to make Jess pro-tem mayor, Ed seconded it. All ayes, motion carried.

Jess was then sworn in as pro-tem mayor. Rob then signed and gave his letter of resignation.

Larry made a motion to add Jess as a bank signer to all accounts, Pat seconded it. All ayes, motion carried.

Ed made a motion to adjourn, Pat seconded it. All ayes, motion carried.

Washburn Village Clerk

Date