

Village of Washburn

Mayor
Steve Forney

June 15th 2020
Monthly Board Minutes

Board of Trustees
Jessica Damerell
Scott Forney
Alvin Grebner
Ginger Humphrey
Randy Knoblauch
Jessica Youngman

Village Clerk
Becky Ulrich

Village Treasurer
Cheri Woodson

Water/Sewer/Street Department
Matt Strauch

Chief of Police
John Scroggs

Steve called the meeting to order. Roll call was taken, all here but Jessica. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

There is a question from the audience. A gentleman is here and wanting to know the status of the house on 108 Lincoln. Is anything being done? Can something be done about it? Danny said we have to follow a set of rules before we can do anything, which we are doing. Danny also told him what our options are as to what we can do with the house/property. This gentleman lives behind this residence and he said it appears that more and more stuff keeps building up there. Scott said the guy that came to mow the lawn is the one who dumped more garbage there as Scott saw him do it. There was a discussion on next steps. Scott said he did talk to the TIF attorney and we can use TIF money to get it cleaned up.

Apparently Title Max has the title to the abandoned car on the rear of the property. We need to following up with that and see if what can be done. John will follow up with Title Max and then let's proceed with them as we did with the property owner and send them a 5-day notice, etc.

We want to start fining the property owner. We need to take photos of everything before we start doing anything though. We also should get some bids on who's going to clean it up unless Matt and Jared would be willing to do it. Let's have bids back by the next meeting or Matt/Jared set to clean it up. John will get Danny the car info. John also needs to assess the fines and get Danny that info as well.

Scott made a motion to approve the May minutes, Alvin seconded it. All ayes, motion carried.

There is a question about the garbage bill. Alvin said he would talk to Larry about maybe getting the dump tickets because the tonnage seems low with lots of trips to the dump for the town wide clean up day. Ginger suggested holding the bill until after we talk to him. Jess made a motion to pay the bills with noting Alvin is going to talk to Larry to make sure his bill is correct, Randy seconded it. All ayes, motion carried.

STREETS: No action items. Matt has been grinding the road on Parkside Dr and in front of the Library.

Jess said that they did get the sidewalk in front of the library done and it looks great.

WATER/SEWER: Not much to report. Matt did say the dehumidifier at the shop took a crap last week. He's going to look into getting it fixed vs. just getting a new one.

POLICE: Ginger made a motion to transfer \$9,800 from corporate to police, Jess seconded it. All ayes, motion carried.

Ginger gave the police report.

Ginger also mentioned that John issued a warning to Ed Carr who lives on the corner of Madison and Woodford St. about the condition of his garage/shed roof and loose shingles. Ginger said he does have all the shingles torn off now since the warning was issued. There was a small discussion about this situation. When John issued the warning Ed said he had already had something worked out with Wayne about it but Wayne never mentioned anything to any of the board about it.

FINANCE, INSURANCE & TIF: Nothing. Scott did mention that we did put insurance on the lights at Half Moon ball field.

Cheri said she gave everything to the auditors for the upcoming big audit. They plan to be here on June 29th and 30th.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT: None.

ZONING: Wayne is out of town. He did send Steve an email with some info of things going on this month such as how many permits were issued etc.

LIBRARY: None.

PARKS: Jess said Summer Rec and Lions Club would like to look into putting a T-ball field on the south end grassy area of Half Moon. It's just talk at this point but something they are wanting to pursue.

OTHER: Nothing.

NEW BUSINESS: Danny brought up codification of Ordinances. It's been a while since we've done it and they guy asked Danny about it so he felt obligated to bring it to the board. There haven't been many ordinances lately. Danny said that we could very easily hold off for a while and he recommended tabling it and revisiting again in a year. The board agreed.

Danny also mentioned he attended a couple of zoom meetings on the Electrical Aggregate and they are getting ready to make a new bid and it's probably going to be a smoking deal. Danny is trying to get them to commit to a three-year deal but they really want to only commit to two years because they don't think it will be advantageous for them to go three years out.

Randy said that John Lugo appealed the decisions with Sturm's so that battle is still an ongoing process.

OLD BUSINESS: None.

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

Washburn Village Clerk

Date