

Village of Washburn

Mayor
Steve Forney

August 10th 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. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Randy made a motion to approve the July minutes, Ginger seconded it. All ayes, motion carried.

We will come back to the bills once they've all been reviewed.

STREETS: Nothing major to discuss.

WATER/SEWER: Nothing major to discuss. Alvin said we did get the equipment to test the depth of the sludge. We are going to have to send the results to have someone look at them to see if there's anything we can do to help it instead of having to get it pumped out.

Matt has also been working on all the shut off valve locations, etc. They are not quite done, but they have been working hard to get that finished up. This info will be stored online and backed up via a cloud storage.

POLICE: Ginger read the police report at the committee meeting last week and nothing had really changed since then. Ginger did mention they are investigating a fight that occurred in town but apparently no one wants to talk about.

Ginger made a motion to transfer \$9,000 from corporate to police, Jess seconded it. All ayes, motion carried.

Nick called Ginger this afternoon and wants to know if he can move some of his hours from this week to next week so he can keep his unemployment for one more week. The board doesn't feel we can do that. Ginger will let him know.

There was a small discussion regarding part-time pay raises. Ginger made a motion to give a \$0.75/hour pay increase to the part-time employees effective the current pay period, Alvin seconded it. All ayes, motioned carried.

FINANCE, INSURANCE & TIF: Cheri texted Steve to let him know that she cancelled her village paid insurance effective July 31st.

Scott doesn't have anything to discuss.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT: Scott said a company from Varna emailed him last year about picking up electronics during our Junk Day. Scott feels like we should give them a call back and check into it more. There was a small discussion regarding how much money is in the budget for clean-up, etc. Scott said that it would be free to us. The company will be charging for TV's but that will be on the individuals themselves to pay the disposal fee. The board agrees we should include the electronic drive. Scott has all the info and will forward to Cheri to include on the flyers etc.

ZONING: Wayne didn't do anything this month. He did forward something on solar to Steve and Steve then forwarded to the board but it hasn't been discussed yet. They will discuss at the next meeting.

LIBRARY: None.

PARKS: Nothing new. Summer Rec is still in discussion about the T-ball field. There are no plans as of yet, but are planning to move forward with doing so now that they have approval.

Back to bills; Scott makes a motion to approve the bills, Jessica seconds it. All ayes, motion carried.

OTHER: Danny doesn't have anything. Scott said he got a letter from the TIF attorney about exempting from the TIF. Danny recommended Scott to stay in and just recuse himself from these votings. Anyone can opt out at anytime if need be.

NEW BUSINESS: Randy got a phone call about no one mowing grass at several residences. We need to get John on it and have these places get mowed/cleaned up. There was a small discussion regarding this.

There was a question asked about business housing gaming machines needing a license or not. Small discussion. The board said we should start implementing this licensing and fee as stated in the ordinance book. We will have businesses get this license the same time as their liquor license.

There was a small discussion on the progress of the Brick Lounge.

OLD BUSINESS: None.

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

Washburn Village Clerk

Date