

Village of Washburn

Mayor
Steve Forney

April 12th 2021
Monthly Board Minutes

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

Village Clerk
Becky Ulrich

Village Treasurer
Heather Hare

Water/Sewer/Street Department
Jared Marshall

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

Jess made a motion to approve minutes from March, Ginger seconded it. All ayes, motion carried.

Ginger asked how we wanted to break up the Voice Spring installation payment? Small discussion.

Ginger made a motion to pay the bills, Scott seconded it. All ayes, motion carried.

Randy said the cemetery can cover the mowing expense themselves this year but we need to keep the line item in the budget incase there is a future need.

STREETS: We received one bid for town wide clean up. It's from EZ Dumpsters. The cost is \$165/load, \$62/ton, \$165/scrap metal haul per load and \$125/employee. They also mentioned they are going to give all the money for the scrap metal back to the village. They will provide the dump slips for the scrap as well.

Jess made a motion to accept the above-mentioned bid from EZ Dumpsters for the clean-up dates of May 8th and September 11th, Randy seconded it. All ayes, motion carried.

Ed had a question about putting the signs up on Francis Street. Jess said two citizens have requested we put up "slow child at play" signs, Ed just wanted to make sure it was documented that way to make sure it doesn't show any favoritism with Kristy (Ginger's daughter) living on that street. It was also mentioned that if anyone else would like to have a similar sign put up in their neighborhood, they should bring it to the board for consideration.

WATER/SEWER: Alvin said the dialer is coming for the sewer plant. It's a \$299 yearly fee. The unit itself cost \$2195.

Alvin mentioned he wants to do an upgrade to the water plant where Jared can turn on things and monitor them from home etc. This would also be nice since Jared lives out of town, if an alarm goes off or something he can quickly see what it's for. To upgrade it would cost \$2850.

Chuck from IL Water is coming to help locate a leak we've chasing down on Magnolia St by Gary Malec's house.

POLICE: Ginger made a motion to make the permanent transfer from Corporate to Police an annual transfer, happening in the last month of the fiscal year instead of a monthly transfer; Randy seconded it. All ayes, motion carried.

Ginger gave the police report.

Ginger said we received several bids for the Tahoe. The high bid is \$2050 from Shane Fandel. Randy made a motion to accept the high bid for the Tahoe from Shane Fandel for \$2050, Ginger seconded it. All ayes, motion carried.

Steve said there was chat about selling the impala on bid/auction. Steve asked if we wanted to go into executive session to discuss a minimum bid? If we want to send it to auction in Morton, set a minim bid and if it doesn't sell, they only charge us \$25. If it does sell we have to pay a \$350 selling fee. There was a discussion. Jess thinks we should just try and sell/bid it out the impala here first, we can always refuse the bids if they are too low. Randy said typically this car at auction brings about \$2500.

Randy also said a Taurus is bringing about \$9000 at the auction in Morton. However ours has bulletproof doors, so that should bring a bit more. The board seems to agree to send the Taurus to the Morton Barn Auction. We definitely want to set a reserve. The board agree to \$8000 reserve.

FINANCE, INSURANCE & TIF: Scott said the board needs to approve the budget. Scott made a motion to approve the 2021-2022 Village Budget, Jess seconded it. A roll call vote was taken: Jessica – absent, Jess - yes, Scott - yes, Alvin - yes, Ginger – yes, Randy – yes. Five ayes, zero nays with one absent.

Scott made a motion to approve the sewer bond refinancing of the two sewer bonds with Washburn Community Bank, Jess seconded it. All ayes, motion carried.

The fire department came to the committee meeting requesting funding for painting of the overhead doors. The estimate is \$6112. Scott is checking with the TIF attorney to make sure that would be ok to use TIF for that.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT: Nothing.

ZONING: Steve sent the board an email recommending the board appoint Merle Guy as the Zoning Officer.

Jess made a motion to appoint Merle Guy to the Zoning Board Officer position, Randy seconded. All ayes, motion carried. Steve swore Merle in. We need to get a hold of Wayne and have him pass his stuff along to Merle.

LIBRARY: Nothing.

PARKS: Jess said Summer Rec has broke ground on the T-ball field. So far everything has been donated so they haven't had to spend and funds on it yet.

Scott said the city of Chillicothe is taking down some playground equipment and willing to donate it to a place in need. He wondered if Summer Rec would be interested? Jess said she would mention it to the board and see.

OTHER: Nothing.

OLD BUSINESS: Regarding the falling down building at Tomlinson's property across the street, they guy came and cleaned up some of the stuff and wants to come back for the headers. We told Jared to just sit them aside and start cleaning up the other stuff that's junk.

Randy talked to Charlie twice since the last meeting. He told him his building clean up needed to be done by the end of March and Charlie said that wasn't going to happen. He said he still plans to cover/clean it up when the weather breaks and he can get to it. There was a small discussion about maybe letting him know there is some grant money available for renovation help on the old site etc.

NEW BUSINESS: Steve was approached by someone who had a question/concern about Carl's trailer. Someone recently hauled a load in but it's not consistent and a continual problem. We would like to just get rid of it at this point. We need to talk to them and let them know it needs to go.

Danny asked how much ammo we had over in the police department? Ginger said she's not exactly sure but County is going to purchase it. It is on an inventory list. Ginger said they cleaned up the department over the last week. Danny just wanted to make sure we got something for it. They bought approximately \$15,000 worth of inventory from us that we are deducting from the next two months payment for their service; the ammo is included in that inventory purchase.

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