

# Village of Washburn

December 11th, 2023

## Monthly Board Minutes

### **Mayor**

Steve Forney

### **Village Clerk**

Deidre Guy

### **Village Treasurer**

Heather Hare

### **Village Maintenance**

Tim Strauch

### **Board of Trustees**

Kevin Burdette

Al Grebner

Ed Grebner

Ginger Humphrey

Randy Knoblauch

Becky Schupp

### **Zoning Officer**

Merle Guy

Steve called the meeting to order. Roll call was taken with everyone present. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Ed made a motion to approve November minutes after the correction to a name error, Kevin seconded it. All ayes, motion carried.

Ed made a motion to accept November bills seconded by Randy.

### **Guest Speaker:**

Mike Storms was present to discuss insurance changes. A hand out was provided with premium changes and coverage.

### **STREETS:**

Frank to get with Tim to schedule a time to assess oil and chip in December to close out MFT for FY 2023. Tim to then get with Woodford County Highway Department to do oil/chip.

Will have Frank look at the sidewalk on Francis Street for repairs.

### **WATER/SEWER:**

483 lead surveys were sent out with 168 received back (35%) – second notice to go out in upcoming week. Village has until April to report.

Caden's phone now has the APP for reading water meters.

Brittan has started the sewer plan, Tim went to pick up GenSet. A bulk of the work will get done in the next week.

12/5 OSHA did a compliance check, passed inspection with a few minor modifications.

### **POLICE:**

Discussed report given during meeting.

### **FINANCE, INSURANCE, & TIF:**

Becky made a motion to approve the renewal of \$41,039, seconded by Ed. All Ayes, motion carried.

### **ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT:**

N/A

### **ZONING:**

Gave out a screened in porch permit

A few solar permits

Discussed the fence at Dollar General – not a zoning issue – there have been no complaints from the surrounding neighbors.

**LIBRARY:**

N/A

**PARKS:**

N/A

**New Business:**

2024-2025 Tax Levy Ordinance 23-03: last year was \$136,630, this year is \$143,460 – includes max levy increase and a few small modifications (such as garbage lowered, individual line items stay roughly the same). Alvin made a motion to approve ordinance 23-03, seconded by Ginger: roll call vote – Kevin (Y), Alvin (Y), Becky (Y), Ed (Y), Randy (Y), Ginger (Y). Ordinance Approved.

Christmas Bonuses: Last year Christmas Bonus of \$500 was given to (2) full-time employees. Randy made a motion to give a \$600 Bonus to (3) full-time employees [Heather, Tim, Caden], seconded by Alvin, All Ayes.

**Old Business:**

Charlie Kennell: Filled in hole. Stated once he is back in town he will get with his son to fix the wall.

Will revisit updates next month.

401 N Adams Street: A court order has been issued to get an inspection. There were additional addresses and names on the deed, struggling to nail down who to send to, names John and Katelyn Webb listed, also a lady in Chicago, of no relation.

Discussed expenses if the Village is reliable for tearing down house: is there asbestos (structural engineer will be able to tell) and what are fees associated with removal, what will attorney fees be for obtaining court order and certified letters, ect.

Alvin made a motion to adjourn the meeting seconded by Ed.