

Village of Washburn

May 13th, 2024

Monthly Board Minutes

Mayor

Steve Forney

Village Clerk

Deidre Guy

Village Treasurer

Heather Hare

Village Maintenance

Tim Strauch

Board of Trustees

Kevin Burdette

Kris Hammond

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 April minutes, Randy seconde. All ayes, motion carried.

Ginger made a motion to accept May bills seconded by Ed. There was discussion regarding the property taxes for the property by the maintenance garage. The board received a tax slip this year, at this point the paperwork has been file therefore taxes will be paid for 2024 FY.

Guest Speaker:

Ken Gresham was present for todays meeting regarding Andy Schierer and the continuation of racing on the property. It has now advanced to trucks and 1100cc side-by-side. Wants to know what him and neighbors need to do next to get to a resolution. There was discussion of a petition. Recommendations from the board were to keep notifying the police, and reassured Ken that the police have not come to speak to the board regarding this situation. Unfortunately the only ordinance that applies is a noise violation and that does not take affect until 10pm *unless* the neighborhood deems it a nuisance.

Jarrad Marshall present at meeting requesting name to be removed from EPA sampler list.

Dennis McMurtrey present to request village approval for new signage for the Legion. It was communicated to Dennis that the Legion property was leased to the Legion therefore this is more of an IDOT request.

STREETS:

Voting on oil and chip: bid came in at \$109,971.30 which is \$10,000 under engineer budget by 3D Construction. Randy made a motion to proceed with 3D Construction for oil an chip seconded by Kevin.

Side walks on Lincoln St: Ox Concrete did not figure in curbs and bid came in at \$20,862.00, Steve Baker bid \$22,864 (including ADA curbs). As long as bid is under \$30,000, technically the project does not need to be put out for bid, although it does give the board more options. Becky made a motion to accept Steve Baker for sidewalk project seconded by Kevin.

Parking Ordinance: Ordinance No 24-02, paragraph 3 has been revised and added points I, J, K, L, M effective todays meeting and will get with Tim if signs are needed. Ginger made a motion to accept revisions to Ordinance No. 24-02 seconded by Kris, (roll call vote: Ed Y, Kevin y, Becky Y, Kris Y, Ginger Y, Randy Y).

WATER/SEWER:

IEPA investigation: Sunset and Woodford St automatic flusher removed. Call from Chris Grebner was received regarding Chlorine checks. There is 1 more investigation in May. Hydrants should be turned on to get initial sample.

POLICE:

Reviewed Police report.

Golf Cart/UTV stickers: Randy and Ginge will cover inspections and hand out stickers from 10-2 on 6/8/24. There was discussion that law enforcement need to start cracking down on underage driving of golf carts, UTVs, 4-wheelers ect. Anyone under 18 is a violator.

FINANCE, INSURANCE, & TIF:

Stan Ulrich: Stan approached regarding the mural on Duckworks. Ideas do not have to go through Kevin and Lisa as TIF money is being used. Lisa and Kevin are okay with proceeding. Becky went to their meeting on 5/14 to give blessing and bring up to TIF.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT:

N/A

ZONING:

Letters:

Re-wrote letter to 608 N Madison regarding rubbish in front of house. Owner spoke to Merle on 5/9, stated working on it.

12 mowing citations

Complaint received about industrial garbage truck being stored in residential neighborhood. Violation sent.

Baptist Cemetery mowing: Cindy B reached out to Stan Ulrich with concerns of not being mowed, she was educated on who this fell back on, not the Village Board. Merle, Ladd, Gary worked on cleaning up cemetery so SAL could place flags on veteran's gravesites for Memorial day. Ginger mentioned that she mailed the Baptist Church Board a check from the Thrift Store for \$2000.

Lean-to @ Dr. Jay's not been touched

Walnut Street: Do they need to send more letters? Heard that Lady is in a nursing home. Merle advised to send every violation possible and there is a motor home, ect.

Contact for Magnolia and Madison is Todd Perry.

LIBRARY:

N/A

PARKS:

Get with Stan for playground equipment inspection.

Concession stand at halfmoon south falls under TIF – that expires in 2034

Kevin talked to Matt about options for Halfmoon park renovations and options.

New Business:

Rehire services: Kevin made a motion seconded by Randy to rehire Attorney Colt, Treasurer Heather, Water Commissioner (Kurt Downie), Financial Auditor (Phillips Salmi & Assoc).

Old Business:

Charlie Kennell: Store front needs knocked down – Colt advised for temporary barricades for protection. Next step is a 15 day notice – structural engineer reported fail to fix, file relief and court order to tear down.

401 N Adams: same – court case pending report – not habitable, needs work, there is pond, areas of the house cant be walked on.

Motion was made by all to send 15 day notice to both properties and proceed with next steps. Colt okay with green light to proceed so no motion need.

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