

## OFFICIAL MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF May 26, 2020

The Village Council met on the above date at 7:00 p.m. at the Noble Lions Club. The meeting was called to order and present were Richard Clark, Tresa Hundley, Carl Klingler, Gary Ulm, Paul Summer, Carol O'Dell, Jana Baker and Janet Pflaum.

Opened with silent prayer and followed by reciting Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion made by Paul Summers to approve May 9, 2020, minutes. Seconded by Janet Pflaum. All voting Aye.

Tentative budget is being prepared and Trustees need to turn in any new projects.

Richland County Animal Control (\$3,000) was previously paid.

Hydrants were flushed May 12 & 13 with no problems (report is available for review).

Village cleanup scheduled for Wednesday, June 10.

End of year Dollars Revenue \$489,765.65 (92% of budget); Expenditures \$475,051.68 (71% of budget); difference \$14,713.97. Village ended the year with extra funds. This is good but indicates we did not do much for the Village.

Garbage pickup in the Village will be delayed to Thursday, May 28 due to observance of Memorial Day.

Village was notified that the Backyard Bloomers has disbanded. Village will need someone to take care of flower beds. Trustee Baker mentioned Brenda Stallard is in charge of FBLA, she will contact Brenda.

Trustee Baker gave an update (spreadsheet) on the Cleanup Committee letters that were mailed on March 11, 2020. There are four (4) properties non-compliant and two (2) that have taken action but need additional action to be in compliance. Trustee Baker mentioned one vehicle at 459 N. Noble Ave. that has been backed up and Committee is unable to see if sticker is updated. Three (3) residents requested extensions due to COVID19 121 E. South Ave (Weiss), 136 W. Locust St. (Bass) and 304 W. North Ave. (Huffman). Decision made that these six residents will be given an additional sixty (60) days. Trustee Baker will have the extension letter available at the next board meeting for review. Trustee Baker asked Trustee's opinion about sending out letter for additional (new) properties that are in violation. Decision was also made to wait until restrictions are lifted to send additional letters for new properties with violations. Trustee Klingler mentioned a property by him that shouldn't be let go long.

Mayor Clark informed the Board that there were only 17 water meters remaining out of the first 100 original water meters purchased and the next 100 meters will be purchased at a cost of \$60.00 each.

Pay increase for elected officials was discussed. Motion made by Carl Klingler to increase Village board meetings by \$25.00 (from \$50.00 to \$75.00) per meeting and Special/Committee meetings by \$15.00 (from \$10.00 to \$25.00) per meeting for ALL elected officials. Seconded by Gary Ulm. Roll Call Vote Taken, All voting aye with exception of Jana Baker voting no, motion carried. This increase will take effect on the elected officials being elected in the 2021 election and for other 3 Trustees in 2023 election.

HogRun update no progress due to weather.

March 2019 Preferred Tank & Tower conducted an inspection of the Village water tower and some exterior work was done around that time. Preferred Tank & Tower has proposed to sandblast and paint the interior for \$52,420.00 which would require the tank to be free of water for about two weeks and during this time Village could operate on the pumps. Magure Iron, Inc. indicated they could do like work for approx. \$40-50,000 without an inspection. Trustee Klingler had talked with the Mayor of Olney and was told there is a company that uses scuba divers to do inspections and talked with Brandon Williams who handles the Olney water tank. Trustee Klingler said 2 weeks without water in tower is a long time. Mayor Clark will do further research and bring back to next board meeting. No action taken.

Municipal Estimate of Maintenance Costs was provided from Mike Bridges. Mayor Clark presented a letter from IDOT that was received stating Rebuild Illinois Bond Funds 1) the new money must be deposited into MFT account 2) tracked separately 3) If receive more than \$45,000.00 this time, then money must be spent on a Capital Improvement and not maintenance 4) the new funds must be expended by July 1, 2025. Mayor Clark said the Village has received their first check from this in the amount of \$7,436.00. Trustee Klingler mentioned possibly putting asphalt down. Motion made by Carl Klingler to adopt Mike Bridges (Charleston Engineering) Municipal Estimate of Maintenance Costs at a total estimate of \$25,873.75 and optional streets for oil & chip at additional costs of \$5,000.00, with a total cost of \$30,873.75. Seconded by Paul Summers. Roll Call Vote Taken, All voting Aye.

Motion made by Gary Ulm to purchase 2 Autumn Blaze trees at a cost of \$135.00 each for a memorial of J.R. Means and Harold VanBlaricum (for 20 years of service each to the Village) and plant trees in Noble Park. Seconded by Carol O'Dell. Roll Call Vote Taken, All voting Aye.

Proposal from Kenny Michels to build permanent shields for the Village Hall. Motion made by Carol O'Dell to approve quote for Kenny Michels to build permanent shields for the Village Hall at a cost of \$2,200.00. Seconded by Carl Klingler. Roll Call Vote Taken, All voting Aye. Village Hall will stay closed to the public until Phase 4.

Cleaning services for the Village Hall was discussed and one proposal was presented at \$115.00 (2 people, 2 hours, once every two weeks). Decision made to get additional quotes, Paul's Janitorial, CJ's and Stark. Quotes will be presented at the next Board meeting. No action taken.

Motion made by Carl Klingler to retain Kapper & Co. for Auditors, Charleston Engineering for Engineer and Barry Bright Attorney at Law for Village Attorney for the new fiscal year. Seconded by Jana Baker. Roll Call Vote Taken, All voting Aye.

Motion made by Jana Baker to continue with waiving online fees and penalty fees for utilities for the month of June. Seconded by Gary Ulm. Roll Call Vote Taken, All voting Aye.

Mayor Clark informed the Trustees bills needing paid are standard and none out of the ordinary. Consensus of Trustees to pay bills without reviewing each.

Motion made by Carl Klingler to adjourn the meeting at 8:14 p.m. Seconded by Jana Baker. All voting Aye.

Meeting adjourned until June 8, 2020, at 7:00 p.m. at the Noble Lions Club.