

Village of Flanagan  
Meeting Minutes December 15, 2020  
7:00 P.M.

The **meeting was called to order** by Mayor Jeff Wallace with all reciting the Pledge of Allegiance. Members present were Bev Friese, Dave Iverson, Reid Bressner, Al Hulse. Members absent were Kim Wargo and Kristy Dodge. Guests present were Steve Humke, Chris Eden and Rich Lloyd.

On a motion by Al, seconded by Bev, the October **meeting minutes** were approved.

**Treasurer's** report – October Sales Tax = \$5045.85. October Motor Fuel Tax = \$3672. November Sales Tax= \$2064.20. On a motion by Dave, seconded by Reid, the report was approved and bills were approved for payment.

No comments from persons present.

**Police Report** (officer not present) yielded 13 calls, 11 stops and a child found.

**Employees report** by Josh: culvert done; oil plugs/filters done; getting quotes for next year; issues with white truck overheating; manholes near Casey's and the Fertilizer Co. need cleaning out-full of water.

**Connect Flanagan** Report by Marty – received first check. Grant was \$5M for project. State grant = 50%. Flanagan was one of 8 communities to receive monies.

**Trustees Round Table Discussion: -**

**Al** asked about Beautification grant for rural communities

**Jeff** – working with bank on streets, all-weather track at school – lots of things to consider.

**Dave**-streets and alleys in town – State will provide salt if needed; Trees need cut in Spring.

**Bev** – no report

**Reid** – Christmas parade was well-received with lots of positive feedback.

**President's comments:** property taxes increased 31%. Mayor received complaint from person whose house behind him is for sale, but has too much junk for anyone to purchase. Also a complaint about vacant house in North Jefferson. Covid has curtailed police officer service; Possible using FFA volunteers to help clean up properties.

**Personnel Committee** – employees asking for computer at the shop. Questions concerning overtime hours: hours after 40 work x ½? After 8 hours to be discussed;

how time off to be recorded; vacation time same time every year? Mower problems need to be addressed before Spring.

**Zoning/Building Committee** – IDOT will not put a culvert on 116 South of Jackson street between Bart's and a garage which is owned by Flanagan Rehabilitation and Health Care Center. Person asking wants clearance to his fields behind Flanagan Implement to build on his property. We would need to install culvert, but State would maintain it.

**FIT Team** – Lauren Mays asking for ordinance for her business, Home Kitchen Operations. Also thanked businesses, etc., for Christmas parade. Spring Improvement projects in process. Possibility of getting more Christmas lights, and numbers for houses without them.

### **Open Business**

Ortega Property done; a Chicago company paid the 2015 taxes. Mayor Jeff would like our attorney to study the paperwork to see if there are any irregularities.

Budget meeting to be held in January.

### **New Business**

On a motion by Dave, seconded by Bev, it was agreed to get the water tower cleaned by Corrpro Contract at a cost of \$2345.

CARES Act – Marty working on the \$47T Covid grant and reimbursements.

Online billing – on a motion by Dave, seconded by Reid, it was agreed to hire CourtMoney, Marion, Illinois, to help us with on-line bill paying.

Village Laptop – on hold

Tax Levy – on a motion by Al, seconded by Bev, the tax levy was approved for 2019-2020.

3% Utilities Increase 2021-to be discussed in January; would be an increase of \$1.95.

Burn Pile Ordinance – leave as is but have new signs for better description.

TIF Review – no discussion; seems developers want to be paid (\$46,000 +)

On a motion by Al, seconded by Reid the meeting was adjourned at 8:30 pm.

Dana L. Worrell-Jumper  
Village Clerk