

VILLAGE OF FLANAGAN

MEETING MINUTES

MARCH 16, 2021 - 7:00 PM

The meeting was called to order by Trustee Reid Bressner with all reciting the Pledge of Allegiance. Members present in addition to Reid Bressner were Bev Friese, Kim Wargo, Dave Iverson, Kristy Dodge, and Al Hulse. (Absent Mayor Jeff Wallace, Clerk Dana Jumper)

On a motion by Dave Iverson, seconded by Kim Wargo the minutes of the previous meeting were approved with one correction being made...Under Zoning should read "greenhouse permit".

Treasurer's Report was reviewed. January 2021 Sales Tax \$4,715.68, February 2021 Motor Fuel Tax \$1,673.31.

On a motion by Kristy Dodge, seconded by Al Hulse, the bills were approved.
Roll Call Passed 6 - 0

No comments from persons present.

The police report was given. There were 16 calls. No concerns at this time!

Employees Report - Marc Bressner reported that in addition to regular work the following was done during the past month: Need to new aerator at Legion Lake - not working-only last a few years; parks: cleaned up, bathrooms cleaned, grass fertilized; locate, dig and clean out culverts-would help with water run-off; clean up at the treatment plant, aerators not working, one pulled, not sure if fixable or need replacing; working on ordinance violations (cars, trash, etc.); working with attorney in regard to structures in the village that are in bad shape- village gets documentation when papers served; will be checking with Farnsworth in next few weeks in regard to repaving; future spray patching. Trustee mentioned the columns on the south pavilion at Artesian Park still need to be replaced. That will be added to the "to do" list. Questions: whether ponds need restocking - Marc thought numbers of fish were okay at this time

Connect Flanagan Report - Marty gave a brief update on what was happening. Everything going very well and will begin in the near future. A Letter of Commitment was signed by all the Trustees present. The Letter of Commitment from Village of Flanagan stated that they would: 1) waived project permit fees, 2) assist in restoration of property after installation of cable in alley and streets and on personal property of participating residents for 5 years, 3) support residents to apply for Life Line assistance to obtain discount for broadband access, adoption and use for 5 years. In addition they would work with the local school in any way they could.

Trustee Round Table -

Dave Iverson inquired about the power bill at the treatment site. Marc said that some months were estimates and were higher, then actual reading dropped. Dave also suggested and then made a motion that rather than call a special meeting in regard to the repair or replacement of aerators/pumps at treatment plant, the board go ahead and pre-approve this expense up to no more than \$7500.00. Seconded by Reid Bressner. Passed Roll Call 6-0

Bev. Friese asked about the possibility of a drive-way/handicap parking area up to one of the fishing ponds for handicap persons. Marc also inquired as to whether a handicap swing might be something the board would consider. Possible grant money? No action at this time.

Streets and Alleys - Comment that stop signs are of different heights. Asked that this be checked out.

Personnel Committee - Will review Employees Handbook later in meeting.

Zoning/Building/Ordinance Committee - No Report

F.I.T Team - Met recently. Starting to work on plans now for next year's Christmas festivities. More help is needed. Master Gardners will need some assistance with planters.

Open Business:

The Property Listing - 100 West Lincoln Need to put in paper, out for bids. On a motion by Bev. Friese, seconded by Kristy Dodge the following ordinance was approved...."An Ordinance Directing Sale of Property" (Ortega Property). Bids are due in May 18, 2021 and would be opened at 7:00 PM that day. All trustees signed the ordinance. Approved 6-0

New Business:

The Trustees spent some time reviewing the water and sewer rates. Trustees felt that in order to keep up with the expenses of maintaining our systems (water towers/treatment plant, lines, etc) it was necessary to increase rates. After much discussion, Kin Wargo made a motion, seconded by Dave Iverson, that the following rate increases be made:

- Water - \$16.05 first 1000 gallons
- \$6.56 per 1000 gallons after the first 1000 gallons
- Sewer - \$9.00 first 1000 gallons
- \$5.00 per 1000 gallons after the first 1000 gallons

Passed 6-0

Backhoe Lease - On a motion by Reid Bressner, seconded by Dave Iverson, the board approved the Backhoe Lease with Martin Equipment. (5 year 1500 hour lease, \$11,150.00 per year) Roll Call Passed 6-0

Clerk Resignation - A resignation letter from Dana Jumper, Village Clerk, was read as the Jumpers will be moving out of state in the near future. On a motion by Dave Iverson, seconded by Bev Friese. On a voice vote by trustees, her resignation was accepted.

Kim Wargo made a motion to approve the liquor license of Dehleis (\$250.00). Seconded by Dave Iverson. Approved!

Lumber and Monroe Street - Culvert work report

Employees Handbook Review...The Trustees spent some time reviewing the handbook with several changes/additions/corrections being made. Several points still need to be reviewed and considered for changes, Bev. Friese will update the booklet and get copies to all Trustees prior to the next meeting at which time we will finalized it.

On a motion by Reid Bressner, seconded by Kim Wargo, the meeting was adjourned at 9:20 PM.

Bev. Friese
Acting Secretary