

Village of Flanagan
September 19th, 2023
Meeting Minutes

Called to order by Dave Iverson

All present, absent clerk Abbi Tower Simpkins

Approval of August meeting minutes

On a motion by Reid Bressner, seconded by Jason Montello the minutes of the August meeting were approved.

Treasurer's Report

Reviewed

Motion Steve Humke, seconded by Kristy Dodge

Persons Present

- Joe Grove from Flanagan - Wants to do a national neighborhood night out. Neighbors saw who stole their bikes called Sheriff's office and got them back. This happened when he lived in Arizona. Hoping to get the event together to support the small community and prevent this from happening again and promote neighborhood watch. We as a community are vulnerable because of 116. This can increase safety. He is alert of what is happening around the town and rides bikes each night with his mother. He wants to do this during Flanagan Fest next year. He is also working with the Sheriff's dept and has been talking one on one with the chief/sheriff? The sheriff's office would put this event on. Wants to teach children about 911. Mayor Dave mentioned Neighborhood Watch. Dave offered a tent at next year's Flanagan Fest event. Roseanna mentioned this can help us increase/maintain safety on our Rise development...
- George 121 S Main St. - purchasing it to have a beer garden behind the previous hair salon and open up a restaurant inside. Flantucky Bourbon Bar and Smokehouse. This would be adjoined with his current location that is next door. Is looking to obtain a liquor license. He has asked for legal advice and was advised to go this direction. Wanting to have this open by the end of the year. Planning on putting a privacy fence on the back of the building. Mayor Dave will have to look over the liquor license application as some modifications will need to be made.

Police Report

No officer present.

Employees Report

Completed the dig out and resurfacing between north main and north Jackson

Project out at the sand filter/treatment plant. To help the sewer flow and assist with the monthly samples. Annual financial audit completed.

President's Comments

- A. Raising our rates slightly and taking that increase to add to a maintenance fund for things like the water tower. Don't want to have the same outcome we just got out of.
- B. Conexus/Metro communication (broadband) proposed a plan to run the fiber to all addresses within the community. Roseanna asked if they are going to keep up their end of the deal? More comments made from Roseanna. The plan they have proposed here is real similar to the grant proposal. In the grant we asked for alley's only and the new one is not all down alley's. Some are coming in from front yards. Village would cover the

cost if coming in from the alley because we were assuming back yards. Are they (Conexus) going to cover the cost of repairing front yards? A lot to come..

- C. Jason gave Sheriff Roundtable report. Sheriff is really keen on the flock cameras. 11 arrests made and 4 helped by the flock cameras. Pontiac is going to install one at Wallys and add another officer because of this. Scooters are to follow the same rules as a bicycle. Trying to add more officers to the county - county board was at this meeting discussing a proposal. 20k for Flanagan. This is specifically allocated on the hours they are spending here In Flanagan not counting the patrol. Adding another one to the small towns. 90k for one officer a year.

Streets & Alleys

No comments

Personnel Committee

Kristy Dodge proposed purchase of back support for our employees. Marty is going to investigate it. Kristy proposed going into a closed session to discuss wages and other items for employees. **Zoning/Building/Ordinance Committee**

Application for Habitat for Humanity to build a home on lot and a half on N Jefferson 8 block. We request a discount of \$25 for the permit. 4 children within the family that would be moving in. All under the age of 3. Looking for volunteers to assist with roofing, donated generator, fencing, appliances etc. As a board we can donate the first \$500 of water sewage and garbage Motion Steve, Second Jason for approval of the application for the new home.

Flanagan Fest

Reviewed last meeting agenda. Next committee meeting Nov 3rd.

Off topic:

Dave - Eastern Illinois Food Bank want to do this in addition to the Midwest Food Bank, held in Artesian Park. 2 hours. Once a month. Dave will get Marty the dates and details.

F.I.T. Team

Having vendors, food trucks, parade (\$5 if you want to be judged) Dec. 3rd, State won't provide the Bingo license.

Open Business

RISE Grant - Roseanna discussed our special meeting, we need to work as a community to refine/edit/add to the current proposal. She hasn't seen the updates yet from Nancy. They will be emailed out to all board members. Roseanna would like to see this complete by end of October. Has to be done by end of the year. We have a lot of capital to work with and that is very encouraging. No updates on the building grant.

Dump Truck - Steve's options are all sold as of today. Reid is having a hard time finding within the budget. Dave reached out to dealerships, nothing. Jason saw auctions but nothing worth going. Previous Mayor Jeff Wallace found one with 80k in Metamora. Specked out with things we would want. Stainless bed. Dave went and looked at it. Appeared to be in very good shape. Bid starting at 34k October 11th.. Have to be present to bid. Gas truck V10. How high as a board do we want to go price wise? Not to exceed 50k. Tremont just got rid of the exact same truck no salt spreader and no stainless dump body that went for 36k.

Motion to not exceed 50k on 2008 F550 Reid, Jason seconded.

Solar panel(s) - added to a home in town.

New Business

Liquor License - 121 S Main St. Dave will sit down with Marty to make a list of things that have to be met within our ordinances.

Motion to increase the amount of class As Liquor Licenses to 7 will take place for next meeting and add to next month's agenda to amend. Village ordinance 11-1 past 4.19.11

Phone Stipend - brought to Dave's attention that previous mayors had cell phone stipends of \$50. Motion Kim, seconded Taylor Harris

Travel Expense Reimbursement - Jason will be sending in his mileage for attending the Sheriff's meetings each month.

Court Street Easement - Realtor in town mentioned \$1 a sqft to Dave for purchase of vacant lots. The goal of this is to connect Court St to the alley. It's a quarter of a block over. There used to be a pass through until it became a habitat home. Now it's back up for sale. Our Easement stops at the lot pins. Going from lot pin to lot pin only 17ft easement. 75 x 30 to figure. 2250sqft in total. Market value would be a couple thousand dollars, need to consider additional fees for survey, recording, etc. Dave read resolution aloud.

Resolution motion by Jason to approve Court St Easement, seconded by Kristy.

Motion to not exceed 5k to purchase the Court St Easement, seconded by Jason.

Code Book - Mention of mayor rather than Village President. Health of employee certificate and insurance needs to be added to application for employment and requested. Beer garden needs to be added to ordinance and other alcohol modifications. Under sewer plumbing work we need to make adjustments for the village to approve their classifications before tapping into our sewer system or have a Illinois State Plumbing License? Amending by adding chapter 114.02 sub B Sewer and Plumbing works - To have a Illinois State License Plumber who is required to perform the tie ins to the municipal water and sewer lines. Motion by Kim, seconded by Kristy to make the change to Chapter 114.02 as stated above.

Under General Offenses Village needs to be added. It only lists County not Village of Flanagan. 130.18 Parental responsibility part E, add in Village of Flanagan. 130.99 sub part 2 add in Village of Flanagan. Motion to approve change Taylor, second by Kristy.

Motion to approve final draft is needed as this is the final month for edits before submitted.

Modifications can be made but may not be included in the printing of the ordinance book. Motion made by Steve, Seconded by Reid.

Water tower inspection proposal - Proposal shared of Corpro (\$1590) Vs Utility Service Co. (\$1500). Motion Kim, Seconded by Steve.

Reviewal of Ordinance 23-04 Section M - Paul isn't going to be purchasing/capture a raptor this year. Looking at this time next year to purchase. Working on approval from neighbors. 2 left, 2 right, 4 behind the alley. Recording of the sound and what the cage would look like to be brought to a future meeting for review.

PA System for Main Street - Brackets available to mount these. 4 sets of speakers, total of 8. Employees feel certified to install. Motion to accept Air Netix bid Kim, Steve seconded. All in

favor but Kristy. Motion approved.

Motion to go into close meeting Kristy, second Taylor

Salary increases tabled to 6 month review, November. Motion Kristy, second Taylor.

Motion to close Kim, Second Kristy.

Motion to reopen Jason. Kristy Second.

Motion to close Kim, Second Taylor.