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Village of Strasburg
February 17, 2020 Village Board of Trustees Meeting

The Strasburg Village Board of Trustees met on Monday, February 17, 2020 at the Strasburg Community Center. Village President Cinda Held called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. with all reciting the "Pledge of Allegiance".

In attendance were Village President Cinda Held, Trustees Robert Anderson, Jack Clark, Jim Connell, MaRanda McClain, Anita Renshaw and Chuck Wade, Village Clerk Linda Oakley, Fiscal Clerk Lisa Rincker and Gary Kull. Absent was Attorney Dustin Probst.

Mr. Kull noted that ten years ago the Village conducted a gnome census which drew the attention of the National News. The gnome census will be held again this year at the end of April with individuals going door to door to get a count of the gnomes in Strasburg. SCAN will again be sponsoring the Farmers' Market; however, it will now be held on Saturday morning rather than the Thursday afternoon. He questioned if anyone had investigated the Lumpkin Grant. President Held noted that she has looked at it.

Motion by Trustee McClain to approve the Omnibus Agenda which included the minutes of the January 20, 2020 regular meeting, the financial reports, expenditures, general journal entries and bills to be paid was seconded by Trustee Connell. Motion voted on and carried by voice vote.

Trustee Anderson raised the question as to when we can use the water money. President Held will check with Attorney Probst to verify if we can close the water accounts prior to the finalization of our Rural Bond Loans being taken over by EJ Water. Trustee Anderson asked that it be placed on March's agenda to close all water accounts.

Trustee Anderson also questioned the Culvert Replacement Policy. Clerk Oakley will pull the information for the March meeting.

President Held noted that EJ had sent a report. She asked the Trustees to think about whether they want to try the enzymes again this spring, if so, we would need to put it in the budget. Trustees asked that EJ pull samples in two places, where they pull them now and then by the creek. Clerk Oakley will check with Twig on the sample pulling.

In order to keep the ditches to the south and west of the lagoon clear (once they have been cleared) Mr. Riley requested the Village purchase a bush hog. He had gotten two bids. Trustees asked that he get more bids for the March meeting.

The backhoe is in again for repair. Dean Rentfro is working with someone to make a part so that the backhoe can be used, as parts are no longer available for it.

Estimate was received from Figgins Electric in amount of \$9,400 for relocating the lift station electrical control panel about ground at the park sewer lift station. Trustees asked Clerk to get another estimate from Atchison from Sullivan.

President Held asked Village board to approve for Mark Duckett to come in and strip and wax floor in Community Center. It was last done in 2012. Motion by Trustee Anderson to approve Duckett's to come in and strip and wax floors was seconded by Trustee Clark. Motion voted on and carried by voice vote.

President Held noted that the acoustic panels have been ordered for the Community Center through the Foundation Grant that the Village received last year.

President Held noted that hopefully Strasburg's website will be up by the end of the month.

President Held noted that letters will be going out to auditors in the area seeking bids to complete the Village's audit.

Trustee Anderson questioned whether the Village's audit now matches the financial statement as the auditor had made the journal entries. He would also like to have a letter from Mytec Solutions to verify that we have cyber security as per the article in the IML magazine.

Trustee McClain noted that individuals will be doing door to door to raise interest on the new internet. She hopes that a meeting can be scheduled for individuals to come and ask questions.

Trustee McClain announced that SCAN has started doing fundraisers for park improvements. On Sunday, March 1 SCAN is hosting an "Uncork and Unwind" event at Vahling Vineyards from 2-5 pm. Cost is \$20. It will be a relaxing afternoon of wine and adult coloring. On March 2 the Biggest Loser will begin. It will be a 12-week period ending May 18. The information meeting will be held at the Community Center from 6-7 PM with the weigh-in from 5:30-7:30 pm. Cost is \$20 to participate. Winner gets half, other half to park improvements.

No further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:52 PM.

Linda D. Oakley
Village Clerk