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Village of Strasburg  
March 16, 2020 Village Board of Trustees Meeting

The Strasburg Village Board of Trustees met on Monday, March 16, 2020 at the Strasburg Community Center. Trustee Chuck Wade called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. with all reciting the "Pledge of Allegiance".

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

Mr. Newell was proposing to put a pump in the east cell in front of the rock filter to be run by a generator and run twice a day for one to two weeks and then sample and see if there is a difference between the east and west cells. Also thought about putting a pump at the end of the discharge in the middle cell where the deepest sludge is to aerate it better also to be run by a generator for a week or two. The pumps would cost approximately \$130. He also is proposing to put the sludge reducer in pond in late April or May, and to sludge judge the cells when the weather warms up and replace the stakes. He will present a cost proposal at the April meeting.

Motion by Trustee Connell to approve the Routine Business which included the minutes of the February 17, 2020 regular meeting, the financial reports, expenditures, general journal entries and bills to be paid was seconded by Trustee McClain. Motion voted on and carried by voice vote.

Attorney Probst reiterated that water accounts not be closed until the refinancing of the water bonds is final.

Monthly report from EJ Water was presented.

Motion by Trustee Anderson to adopt the Motor Fuel Tax Resolution was seconded by Trustee Connell. Motion voted on and carried. Anderson – yea; Clark – absent; Connell – yea; McClain – yea; Renshaw – absent; Wade – yea. 4 yea – 0 nay – 2 absent.

Motion by Trustee Connell to approve the Skeeter Slayers Contract for the period April – October was seconded by Trustee Anderson. Motion voted on and carried. Anderson – yea; Clark – absent; Connell – yea; McClain – yea; Renshaw – absent; Wade – yea. 4 yea – 0 nay – 2 absent.

Cost of various bush hogs was presented. Motion by Trustee McClain to purchase a 5' Rhino TW-15 for \$1400 from Buening Implement was seconded by Trustee Anderson. Motion voted on and carried. Anderson – yea; Clark – absent; Connell – yea; McClain – yea; Renshaw – absent; Wade – yea. 4 yea – 0 nay – 2 absent.

Trustee Connell presented information regarding the lift station at the park (1<sup>st</sup>/Spruce Life Station). He suggested the installation of a warning light to alert if the sump pump is not working. Clerk Oakley will contact Figgins Electric and Randy Doty for estimates.

Included in the trustee packet for clarification purpose was a copy of Resolution 16-3 regarding the installation of culverts.

Rather than stripping and waxing the floor of the Community Center in one day, the trustees wanted to do it in two days to alleviate moving everything at one time. Date for stripping/waxing is Wednesday, April 1 and Friday, April 3.

Notification was received from Lee Beckman, Milano & Grunloh, that due to the low to moderate income status change, the Village was not eligible to submit a grant this year.

The Village had received notice that the PARC Grant submitted was not accepted. The Park Committee will be meeting to start working on the Oslad Grant that is due in July.

Motion by Trustee Anderson to accept the proposal from Gilbert, Metzger and Madigan CPA firm to complete the Village's 2019-2020 audit was seconded by Trustee Connell. Motion voted on and carried. Anderson – yea; Clark – absent; Connell – yea; McClain – yea; Renshaw – absent; Wade – yea. 4 yea – 0 nay – 2 absent.

Mr. Kull noted that Clerk Oakley had sent a copy of the PARC Grant to Gisele Hamm to see if the grant could be used for another grant. He also noted that the Lions Club Fish Fry had been cancelled due to Covid-19.

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

Linda D. Oakley  
Village Clerk