

**VILLAGE OF STRASBURG**  
105 EAST COMMERCIAL  
P.O. Box 385  
STRASBURG, ILLINOIS 62465  
Ph: (217) 644-3007  
Fax: (217) 644-3005

info@strasburgil.com  
[www.strasburgil.com](http://www.strasburgil.com)



Village of Strasburg  
October 21, 2024  
Village Board of Trustees Meeting

The Strasburg Village Board of Trustees met on October 21, 2024, 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 Trustees Robert Anderson, MaRanda McClain, Kristina Moore and Dawn Schlechte, Village President Cinda Held, Fiscal Clerk Lisa Rincker, Rex Gower with Milano & Grunloh, Ed Held, and Village Attorney Dustin Probst. Trustee Jack Clark arrived at 7:03 p.m.

Attorney Probst noted that the board members had received a copy of the proposed tax levy. President Held asked for a motion to approve Ordinance 24-6, "2024-2025 Tax Levy Ordinance". Trustee Dawn Schlechte moved, and Trustee MaRanda McClain seconded **Motion voted on and carried.** Anderson – Yea, Clark – Absent, Kinkley – Absent, McClain – Yea, Moore – Yea and Schlechte – Yea. 4 Yea, 0 Nay and 2 Absent.

Attorney Probst stated that no signed easement has been received at this time regarding the school sewer project. Attorney Probst left the meeting at 7:00 pm.

Rex Gower with Milano & Grunloh gave an update on the various projects that Milano & Grunloh are working on with the Village. **Regarding the School Sewer Project:** The Bid Opening was held on October 3, 2024. The awarded contractor is B&T Drainage. **Regarding the Village Lagoon:** The Bid Opening was held on October 3, 2024. The awarded contractor is B&T Drainage with a bid of \$1,948,712. As electric extension is needed at the lagoon, a quote from Ameren was received in the amount of \$8,507.20 to be added to be covered by the village in the loan. Milano and Grunloh are working diligently to get all loan materials to the IEPA grant manager. The village made the Intended Use Plan with \$2,240,014 in funding and secured \$672,004 in Principal Forgiveness. There is potential for more principal forgiveness with NPDES Elimination and Compliance, equaling the remaining \$1,568,0101. Decisions regarding additional funding from NPDES elimination and compliance have not been disclosed by the IEPA at this time. **Regarding the OSLAD grant,** OSLAD construction is proceeding on schedule. Concrete work is expected to be complete the week of October 21<sup>st</sup>. Pavilion construction will begin after concrete is suitably cured. The tennis court has been sealed and is ready for Versacourt installation. Walk path work is expected to begin in 2 to 3 weeks. Playground equipment is delivered and awaiting assembly by the village. Trustees were asked if the concrete portion of pavilion not enclosed should be trowel finished or broom finished. Consensus was to go with broom finished to avoid slipping hazards.

President Held asked for a motion to approve Notice of Intent to Award to B&T Drainage, Inc. at a bid of \$1,948,712.00. Trustee McClain moved and Trustee Moore seconded to approve. **Motion voted on and carried.** Anderson – Yea, Clark – Absent, Kinkley – Absent, McClain – Yea, Moore – Yea and Schlechte – Yea. 4 Yea, 0 Nay and 2 Absent.

President Held asked for a motion to approve Ameren Illinois estimate for electrical service at the Sewer Lagoons at a cost of \$8,507.20. Trustee Kristina Moore so moved, and Trustee Dawn

Schlechte seconded. **Motion voted on and carried.** Anderson – Yea, Clark – Absent, Kinkley – Absent, McClain – Yea, Moore – Yea and Schlechte – Yea. 4 Yea, 0 Nay and 2 Absent.

President Held asked for a motion to approve Ordinance No 24-7, An Ordinance authorizing the Village of Strasburg, a municipal corporation, Shelby County, Illinois to borrow funds from the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency Water Pollution Control Loan Program. Trustee Kristin Moore moved, and Trustee MaRanda McClain seconded to adopt Ordinance #24-7. **Motion voted on and carried.** Anderson – Yea, Clark – Absent, Kinkley – Absent, McClain – Yea, Moore – Yea and Schlechte – Yea. 4 Yea, 0 Nay and 2 Absent.

President Held asked for a motion to approve Certification of Engineering or Professional Services Contracts for Loan Funded Projects – Loan #L17 6740 – Lagoon and Amendment #2 to Agreement for Certain Engineering Services. Trustee Dawn Schlechte moved, and Trustee Kristina Moore seconded. **Motion voted on and carried.** Anderson – Yea, Clark – Absent, Kinkley – Absent, McClain – Yea, Moore – Yea and Schlechte – Yea. 4 Yea, 0 Nay and 2 Absent.

Motion by Trustee MaRanda McClain and seconded by Trustee Kristina Moore to approve Certification of Engineering or Professional Services Contracts for Loan Funded Projects – Loan #L17 6741 – Stewardson-Strasburg School Pump Station & Force Main and Amendment #2 to Agreement for Certain Engineering Services. **Motion voted on and carried.** Anderson – Yea, Clark – Absent, Kinkley – Absent, McClain – Yea, Moore – Yea and Schlechte – Yea. 4 Yea, 0 Nay and 2 Absent.

Mr. Gower left at 7:00 PM.

**Motion** by Trustee McClain to approve the Routine Business (approval of 9/16/24 minutes w/correction, financial reports, expenditures, general journal reports) was seconded by Trustee Anderson. **Motion voted on and carried by voice vote.**

EJ's monthly report – It was noted that the Effluent is not being tested 2 times a month as per requirements, therefore making the Village out of compliance with the NPDES. Village employees will be trained again and asked to write down procedures that need to be followed.

Park- OSLAD Grant – Covered earlier in meeting.

Gary Kull was not present, but President Held noted that the Village has been awarded \$50,000 from the Lumpkin Grant. These funds will not be distributed until after the completion of the OSLAD Grant.

Trustee Anderson motioned to instruct Mr. Kull to prepare applications for a T-Mobile Grant and Windswept Plain Wind Community Grant. Trustee Moore seconded. **Motion voted on and carried by voice vote**

President Held noted that she has not received any response from Seamless lawyers regarding purchasing their land.

President Held noted that the Ameren II Price to Compare for October 1, 2024 – May 31, 2025, has come in at \$0.0809 which is a slight decline to their summer rate this year. A note will be placed in the next sewer bill regarding this decrease.

President Held noted that the American Legion Soup Supper will be held October 26.

Trustee McClain noted that the SCAN Pancake Breakfast and Santa Brigade will be held November 9, 2024. 150<sup>th</sup> books can be sold at this event.

President Held noted that judges will be needed for the Christmas decorating contest. Next meeting will follow a TIF meeting to begin at 6 pm on November 18, 2024

No further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:33 PM.

Lisa Rincker  
Fiscal Clerk