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Village of Strasburg
November 15, 2021
Village Board of Trustees Meeting

The Strasburg Village Board of Trustees met on Monday, November 15, 2021, 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, Ian Kinkley, MaRanda McClain, Kristina Moore, Village Clerk Linda Oakley, Attorney Dustin Probst, Gary Kull, and Mark Tarter and Ron Wirth from The Equity.

Mr. Tarter presented information regarding the expansion of The Equity. They are proposing that the second scale would be placed right south of the first base line of the ballfield. They are asking for feedback from the Village Board. Copies of the presentation will be given to the trustees for them to study.

Mr. Tartar and Mr. Wirth left the meeting at 7:05 PM.

Motion by Trustee Clark to approve the Routine Business (approval of 10-18-21 minutes, 10-28-21 Special Meeting minutes, financial reports, expenditures) was seconded by Trustee Moore. Motion voted on and carried by voice vote.

Attorney Probst had no report.

The Memorandum of Understanding was discussed. Attorney Probst had sent the document to the attorney for Stewardson-Strasburg School District. Their attorney responded that the school district had four areas of concern. The majority of the trustees noted that the school district should be responsible for the sewer line with the Village maintaining the line (expenses would be the school district’s). Paragraph regarding three pumps was deleted. The sixth paragraph was questioned as needing clarification. The Village board noted that any money not expended would go back to the school district. **Motion** by Trustee Clark to approve the Non-Binding Memorandum of Understanding with the changes made at this meeting was seconded by Trustee Moore. Motion voted on and carried. Anderson – yea; Clark – yea; Connell – yea; Kinkley – yea; McClain – yea; Moore – yea.

Motion by Trustee McClain to pay for the concrete for the basketball goals at the park was seconded by Trustee Anderson. Motion voted on and carried. Anderson – yea; Clark – yea; Connell – yea; Kinkley – yea; McClain – yea; Moore – yea.

Motion by Trustee McClain to approve the cost of the trailer, increase in price to \$5650 plus title and plate, was seconded by Trustee Kinkley. Motion voted on and carried. Anderson – yea; Clark – yea; Connell – yea; Kinkley – yea; McClain – yea; Moore – yea.,

Discussed possible TIF incentive for Performance Auto Care. A possibility is to help pay with the signage for the new business. Also, a possibility of 80% rebate on increase in taxes for 5 years.

Motion by Trustee Anderson to adopt Ordinance 21-3, "Annual Tax Levy Ordinance for the Fiscal Year 2021-2022" was seconded by Trustee Connell. Motion voted on and carried. Anderson – yea; Clark – yea; Connell – yea; Kinkley – yea; McClain – yea; Moore – yea.

Motion by Trustee Anderson to give the following Christmas bonuses based on seniority. Linda \$150, Lisa \$75, Kurt \$75 was seconded by Trustee Clark. Motion voted on and carried. Anderson – yea; Clark – yea; Connell – yea; Kinkley – yea; McClain – yea; Moore – yea.

Motion by Trustee Anderson to give a \$2.00/hour raise to the Village Clerk and Fiscal Clerk, and Part-Time Employee Storm's salary to increase to \$12/hour all increases effective January 1, 2022, was seconded by Trustee Kinkley. Motion voted on and carried. Anderson – yea; Clark – yea; Connell – yea; Kinkley – yea; McClain – yea; Moore – yea.

A copy of EJ's Monthly report was distributed to members. It was noted that the suspended solids were high again. It was questioned if the Village needs a second opinion of what is going on with the numbers. President Held was going to check with Larry Root from the Village of Stewardson.

The flyer for Phase 2 of York Acres was discussed. Information has been requested from several individuals. Following discussion some of the wording was changed. President Held will update the flyer.

No further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

Linda D. Oakley, Village Clerk

NOTE: Minutes approved on 12/20/21 as corrected (Kinkley spelled incorrectly). Corrected.