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Village of Strasburg March 20, 2023 Village Board of Trustees Meeting

The Strasburg Village Board of Trustees met on March 20, 2023, 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, Ian Kinkley, MaRanda McClain, Kristina Moore, Dawn Schlechte, Village Attorney Dustin Probst, Clerk Linda Oakley, LEOs Thomas Davis and Briar Smith, LEOs Advisor Jim Weiss, and Gary Kull.

LEOs Thomas Davis and Briar Smith approached the Village Board for permission to close Locust Street between East Commercial Street and Grace Lutheran Church on beginning on the afternoon of Sunday, May 28 through Monday, May 29th following the Memorial Day Program. LEO Davis noted that the ceremony would begin at 11:00 AM. The speaker will be Marty Conatser, a Past National Commander of the American Legion. The Lions would be serving a meal following the program. **Motion** by Trustee McClain to allow the road to be closed as requested and to reserve the Community Center in case of rain was seconded by Trustee Kinkley. Motion voted on and carried by voice vote. LEO Davis said that he will going into the military and as part of the program he will be receiving his oath during the program.

Motion by Trustee Anderson to approve the Routine Business (approval of 2-20-23 minutes, financial reports, expenditures) was seconded by Trustee McClain. Motion voted on and carried by voice vote.

Trustee Anderson requested information for the April meeting on various ways to invest a portion of the money from the various accounts. Clerk Oakley is to check with Shelby County State Bank, 1st National Bank of Waterloo, 1st Mid Bank and Trust, Dieterich Bank and Midland States Bank.

Attorney Probst addressed the "Paid Leave for All Workers Act" that goes into effect January 1, 2024. All employers, including municipalities, must provide employees one hour of paid leave per 40 hours worked. He noted that this will need to be addressed in next year's budget.

EJ's monthly information was presented. The valves at the lagoon have been replaced.

The draft copy of Ordinance 23-1, "Ordinance Regarding Delinquent Wastewater Service Charges" was discussed. President Held will be talking with a representative from EJ regarding any ramifications of this ordinance. This will be placed on the agenda for April's meeting.

Question was raised regarding individuals applying for sewer and whether it is noted if they are renting or owning, also if there is a deposit. At this time individuals complete a form giving their billing address (street or post office box), there is no deposit.

Discussion was held on whether to hold a spring Clean-up Day. The cost through Doty Sanitation would be \$1800 per truck load and would be scheduled on a regular Doty Sanitation pick-up day. **Motion** by Trustee Schlechte to proceed with scheduling the Clean-up Day with preference for April 12 and alternate date of April 19 was seconded by Trustee Anderson. Motion voted on and carried by voice vote. Information on what will be accepted and not accepted will be placed in the April sewer bill and on Facebook.

Attorney Probst noted that he had not received the signed easement yet from Larry VonBehren. He has been talking with the Prairie Drainage District #3's attorney regarding and easement. As per Lee Beckman, the sewer grant applications would be submitted by March 31.

President Held noted that Wabash Communications would be picking up the interest forms that had been submitted to the office on Wednesday, March 22nd. Clerk Oakley estimated that 90-95% of the interest forms submitted were favorable.

The next meeting of the 150th Celebration will be Tuesday, March 21st at 6:30 PM.

Trustee Moore questioned that if the pavilion were under construction this fall, is there a location where the soccer could be played. Possibilities included farther north of current field, on south part of park beyond basketball court and possibly the use of the inside of the high school track.

Motion by Trustee McClain to adjourn.

No further business, the Village Board meeting was adjourned at 7:30 PM.

Linda Oakley, Village Clerk