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Village of Strasburg
June 21, 2021
Village Board of Trustees Meeting

The Strasburg Village Board of Trustees met on Monday, June 21, 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, Fiscal Clerk Lisa Rincker, Attorney Dustin Probst, Gary Kull, and Tom Newell.

Tom Newell reported that he had cleaned out the west filter. He passed around pictures of the process. Several of the board members had gone out to the lagoon to see the work in progress. He noted that he did not know how much sludge was in the east filter, but that it was probably along the line of the west pond. He would clean it out for \$2500. He had placed all of the chemicals in the south pond, but the sludge increased rather than decreased. He wants to treat it one more time and then check levels in July.

Mr. Newell left the meeting at 6:45 p.m.

Motion by Trustee McClain to approve the Routine Business (approval of 5-17-21 minutes, financial reports, expenditures) was seconded by Trustee Anderson. Motion voted on and carried by voice vote.

Attorney Probst had no report.

Clerk Oakley had placed the Motor Fuel Tax Compliance Review for the period 1/1/20 through 12/31/20. As per IDOT the report should be presented to the board and then filed as a permanent record.

The monthly report from EJ was included in the packet. Trustee Anderson would like to see the charts updated with the last month rather than updated every three months. EJ suggested that the board consider completing the work at the park lift station as suggested by Vandevanter. Clerk Oakley will check with Vandevanter to get a quote for completing the work. Quote to include moving pumps up to the surface, cost of building to protect pumps, etc.

There was no update regarding the sewer project with Stewardson-Strasburg School District. President Held hopes to meet with Superintendent Schwengel in the near future.

Clerk Oakley noted that the TIF Board of Review Meeting will be scheduled after the Village's Audit is received.

Discussion was held regarding Residential Structures with the Village of Strasburg and the regulation of Mobile Homes within the Village. Board members were given a copy of a draft ordinance regarding mobile homes. The issue will be addressed in the July board meeting. Board members were asked to review and make suggestions.

President Held noted that the "Park Improvement Project" has begun. Over \$1900 had been collected from the envelope fundraiser.

Motion by Trustee Connell to approve Resolution 21-1 "Amending Resolution 16-3, Culvert Policy" was seconded by Trustee Kinkley. Motion voted on and carried. Anderson – nay; Clark – yea; Connell – yea; Kinkley – yea; McClain – yea; Moore – yea. 5 yea – 1 nay

Trustee McClain reminded the Board Members of the "Red, White and Blue and Footlongs Too" fundraiser on July 2 at 32 Below.

Discussion was held regarding field tile holes in the alley to the west of Dave Burtons. One of the holes is approximately 5 foot deep. President Held will have Bill Riley check as to what needs to be done.

Discussion was held regarding an abandoned property located on West Commercial in Strasburg. At the moment the Village can do nothing about the property due to the death of the owner. A bill will be sent to the daughter for the village mowing the yard.

The proposed budget was given to the board members in June, they were asked if they had any questions or saw anything that needed to be changed. There will be a hearing at the beginning of the July Board Meeting with the adoption of the Ordinance during the meeting.

It was noted by several trustees that complaints have been received regarding minors driving golf carts on the streets of the village, and several golf carts on the streets without a 2021 tag. Letters will be sent to all individuals who had permits last year regarding the Ordinance and the restrictions on who is allowed to drive.

Gary Kull asked about the cost of Ameren running electric to the lagoon. President Held noted that it would take approximately \$8300 to get it to the northwest corner of the lagoon. Then the Village would be responsible to have it installed from there.

Motion by Trustee Anderson to have Mr. Newell clean out the east rock filter was seconded by Trustee Clark. Motion voted on and carried. Anderson – yes; Clark – yea; Connell – yea; Kinkley- yea; McClain – yea; Moore – yea. 6 yea – 0 nay

Motion by Trustee McClain for the Village to purchase the chemicals at a cost of approximately \$750 for Mr. Newell to disperse into the south pond was seconded by Trustee Anderson. Motion voted on and carried. Anderson – yes; Clark – yea; Connell – yea; Kinkley- yea; McClain – yea; Moore – yea. 6 yea – 0 nay

Mr. Kull noted that Strasburg Shortstop has been sold and its new name is Highland Mart. He hopes that the citizens of Strasburg will continue to patronize the establishment.

The quarterly meeting of SCAN will be held Tuesday, June 29 at 6:30 pm in the Strasburg Community Center.

No further business the meeting was adjourned at 8:35 pm.

Linda D. Oakley, Village Clerk