VILLAGE OF PARDEEVILLE PARDEEVILLE VILLAGE BOARD MINUTES Village Hall – 114 Lake Street, Pardeeville Tuesday, January 18, 2022, at 6:30 p.m.

Call to Order: The regular meeting of the Village of Pardeeville governing body met on Tuesday January 18, 2022 at the Village Hall; 114 Lake Street in Pardeeville. Village President Possehl called the meeting to order and welcomed our new trustees at 6:30 p.m. and Jennifer Becker, Clerk/Treasurer served as secretary.

Roll Call: All trustees were present except Haynes. Also present were: Nancy Kurtzweil, Rick Wendt, Rhonda McGuire, LuAnn Kampen, Terry Foulk, Margarete Worthington, Sgt. Menard, Deputy Calhoun, Jennifer Becker – Clerk/Treasurer and Erin Salmon – Admin/DPW.

Verification of the posting of agenda: The agenda was properly posted at the Pardeeville Village Hall, Library, Village Website and the Pardeeville Post Office.

Agenda Approval: MOTION Abrath/Balsiger to approve agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Minutes approval:

MOTION Babcock/Abrath to approve the previous meeting minutes. Motion carried unanimously.

Comments from the Floor: None

Communications & Reports:

- Angie Williams Cox Library Report closed on Saturdays due to low traffic until further notice. Their pay scale pas been restructured into steps. Please see website or Facebook page for updates on happenings at the library.
- **EMS Report:** Trustee Abrath reported they have been extremely busy and are struggling with staffing. Neighboring communities are paying more and we just don't have the funds to do that. Having a meeting on the 25th to come up with a plan on how to move forward. There is a job fair in March but not sure if its worth attending at this time knowing we cannot compete with pay.
- **Columbia County Sheriff Report:** Report was reviewed; Sgt. Menard was present to answer any questions. He introduced Deputy Calhoun who will be our primary pm shift deputy. Trustee Babcock pointed out we are lucky to have these deputies this year with a lot of experience patrolling the Village. Thanks for all you do!
- **Columbia County Supervisor report:** Trustee Balsiger reported on behalf of Supervisor Pufahl. Quiet January, county board meeting tomorrow at 9:45 a.m. Supervisor Pufahl will be retiring on April 19th.
- **Clerk Report:** report was reviewed. Clerk stated while dates listed were wrong, information was all correct. No questions.
 - **Receipts** report was presented and reviewed; no questions.
 - **Financials** reports were presented and reviewed; no questions.
- DPW/Administrator Report Report was reviewed. Items discussed were the 9999 parcels located in the E. Lafollette development working with attorney to try and obtain ownership of these parcels to assist in maintaining the stormwater pond. Working with National Retailer on a plan for their project, will be bringing to the Village for a future meeting with the plan commission. WPPI will be coming to the Public Utility Commission meeting in February to discuss how they can assist with the rate case submission this year

and what the costs will be. Salmon spent time working with PSE and their findings from the electric study – some items will be discussed during the audit this year in regards to depreciation. Have meeting scheduled with both developers on Thursday. We have received 2 complaints on the smell from the coffee bean roaster, currently not an ordinance issue - would the board like to address in any way? Deputy Calhoun mentioned there are DNR environmental wardens who may be able to answer questions on the subject should we want to look into. Lastly, Municipal Well and Pump began work on Well #1 this month. Will provide an update at the Utility Commission meeting in February.

OLD Business

IKWE/ADCI Senior Center and Senior Living Facility

The condo association agreement is drafted and under review by IKWE attorney. Currently no changes available for the design or cost estimate. This will be an agenda item on February 1st and all will be in attendance. Trustee Babcock wanted to mention while we were talking about development; that the Boys Club has approached him regarding a park area for ball diamonds. He would like the board to consider their request at a future meeting. No formal action taken.

NEW Business

Feral Cat Population

Administrator/DPW Salmon has been working with the attorney on the feral cat population issue and presented a memorandum to the board for review. The Village may want to consider hiring a licensed trapper; at which point the trapped animals would be taken to CCHS. It would be decided if they could be adopted or if we would need to bring back and release into the community after spay/neuter. Salmon pointed out that the attorney stated we would like an ordinance against tampering/interfering with the Village traps and could consider changing the ordinance we have to read that if you feed a feral cat it's a violation. Residents pointed out that if we are going to trap and release (TNR) that we need a plan for that population and removing the ability to feed them is inhumane. It was also noted that if you completely remove the feral cat population another colony will move in. One resident pointed out that the average life span of a feral cat is 2-3 years vs. a domesticated animal is 15-20. Currently its too cold to trap animals and residents would like reassurance that if we are trapping the animals; they are being tended to within 2-3 hours. Salmon stated she had looked into a device you can place on the trap that is blue tooth enabled that will notify trapper when a trap has been set should we pursue this avenue. Motion Balsiger/Holtan to establish a community group and have a meeting to develop a plan to bring back at a future meeting. No trapping right now and the Village will promote having cats chipped in an upcomming newsletter. Motion carried unanimously.

Retaining wall north dam

Administrator/DPW Salmon provided the board with information on the North Dam Seawall. Currently we are under a directive from the DNR but it has been stated that in 2023 and this will need to be replaced. There has been ongoing deterioration of the wall and while we used rip-rap over the past couple years it is time for replacement.

Motion Babcock/Abrath to have Administrator/DPW Salmon publish an RFP for civil engineering design of the north dam and send to a minimum of 3 engineering firms of her choosing. Motion carried unanimously.

Approval of the bills

The bills were presented for approval.

Motion Abrath/Holtan to approve the bills as presented. Roll Call Vote: motion carried unanimously.

Office Assistant position

No closed session necessary, item proceeded in open session. **Motion Babcock/Chapman** to approving the hiring of Tina Thomas for the office assistant position at a starting wage of \$14.00/hour. Motion carried with Holtan abstaining.

Adjourn: The meeting adjourned by Possehl at 8:20 p.m.

Jennifer Becker, Clerk/Treasurer Approved 02/01/2022