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Village Board of Trustees Meeting

The Strasburg Village Board of Trustees met on Monday, August 15, 2022, 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, Village Clerk Linda Oakley, Fiscal Clerk Lisa Rincker, Attorney Dustin Probst, Jack and Doug Holland, Tom Newell, and Gary Kull.

Jack Holland is currently working to achieve his rank of Eagle Scout. The project that he has chosen is the renovation of the bridge at the park. He presented quotes from both Shupe's of Toledo (\$782) and Menards (\$984) for the wood, paint, hardware and sealer. He plans to replace all boards and supports that are rotted, and hopefully with the assistance of his troop will be able to work on it this fall. Consensus of the board that he proceed with the renovation using Shupe's of Toledo for the items needed.

Mr. Newell reported on the progress of replacing the lift station at the park (1st/Spruce). He noted that he had trouble finding the lines, as what the map said and the actual location of them were two different things. He had concrete delivered and put in the hole to give a base for the pumps to set on. They are now installed and running. He's very pleased with the progress that is being made.

Mr. Newell left the meeting at 6:50 pm.

Motion by Trustee Moore to approve the Routine Business (approval of 7-18-22 minutes, financial reports, expenditures) was seconded by Trustee McClain. Motion voted on and carried by voice vote.

Attorney Probst noted that he should have another signed easement within the next week, plus another after the State Fair.

EJ's monthly report was presented. Board was pleased with the numbers.

President Held was questioned as to whether we had heard anymore regarding fiber coming to town. She will contact Eric Emmerich to see if he has any updates.

Discussion held regarding the sidewalk in the 100 block of West Commercial that has nothing under it! President Held will contact Joe Elson and Dale Navis to see if they can give us an idea of what can be done and a quote for the work.

A security system for the park was discussed. Jim Connell is doing some investigative work looking for something that might work for the Village. Board wants to

place the trail cams to watch an abandoned property that has had some activity taking place.

Trustee Anderson explained the report from the Soil and Water Conservation District regarding York Acres. He noted that almost all of the water is coming from the fields to the east of the subdivision. The Soil and Water Conservation District is suggesting that a waterway be placed to the east of the subdivision, at the west end of the fields. The Conservation District would fund the installation of the waterway with the landowner's receiving money for the use of the land. They also suggested cleaning out the ditch from York Drive to the west to help with the drainage on the southwest part of the subdivision. Board members were asked to study the map and come back with questions at the September meeting.

President Held reported that she had met with Jeremy Chaney regarding cleaning out the ditch to the south of the lagoon. He wouldn't be able to do it until after the crops are out with the estimated cost between \$7,000-\$10,000. President Held noted that Blake Pree would be willing to cut the willow trees as he has a use for them. Mr. Chaney noted that there are some big trees that will need to be removed before he can clean out the ditch. Trustee Anderson asked if it were possible to just top the brush to the top of the fence that is there rather than removing everything.

Clerk Oakley noted that the Village had received their first tax money distribution. The Board was asked if they wanted to pay off the small TIF loan early. **Motion** by Trustee Clark to pay off the small loan for approximately \$6129 was seconded by Trustee Anderson. Motion voted on and carried. Anderson – yea; Clark -yea; Kinkley – yea; McClain -yea; Moore – yea. 5 yea – 0 nay.

President Held noted that the Village had received a notice from the State asking for further information on the buildings that are to be demolished as part of the OSLAD Grant. She had taken pictures and was in the process of writing the narrative for submission to the State yet this week. She is hoping to have a Park Committee meeting in September.

President Held noted that the 150th Committee had been meeting. They are asking for seed money from the Village to be reimbursed if there are funds left over after the celebration. Shelby County State Bank was giving \$500 for seed money. **Motion** by Trustee Moore to give \$1,000 in seed money was seconded by Trustee McClain. Motion voted on and carried. Anderson – yea; Clark -yea; Kinkley – yea; McClain -yea; Moore – yea. 5 yea – 0 nay.

The next 150th Committee meeting will be Thursday, September 1st at 6:30 p.m. A bake sale will be held on September 3rd and on October 1st a fundraiser with Maggie's Burritos will be held.

President Held noted that she had reached out to 10 mayor's from surrounding small community to have a get-together to discuss happenings within their village/city. She is hoping to have that gathering in September.

Mr. Kull noted that the sign for York Acres is in the process and that President Held will be getting notified soon that it is ready to be placed.

No further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:05 pm.

Linda D. Oakley, Village Clerk