

June 8, 2023

The Board of Trustees met in regular session on June 8, 2023. Roll call was taken. Present were Village President Edens, Clerk Harrison, Trustees J. Campbell, R. Campbell, Cimei, Edens, Krowlek, and Trone. The minutes of the May 11 meeting were approved as sent by Trone with a second coming from Cimei. Motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT – 5/31/2023

General Fund	
FSB – Checking Account	7,164.58
FSB – Money Market	676,928.67
TOTAL	684,093.25
Motor Fuel Tax Fund	
FSB	67,811.33
TOTAL	67,811.33
Sewer Fund	
FSB	170,175.10
TOTAL	170,175.10
Water Fund	
FSB	21,370.90
TOTAL	21,370.90
TOTAL OF ALL FUNDS	\$943,450.58

5/31/23 Financial Report was approved by all by roll call vote.

BILLS (SEE ATTACHED SHEET)

- Bills were approved for payment by all board members by roll call vote
- Travel for Clerk Harrison was approved by all board members by roll call vote

COMMUNICATIONS

- Movin' for the Music donation request – approved \$50 donation by all board members by roll call vote
- Granville Car Cruise – no action
- Bureau County Health Dept – mosquito information
- Tri-County Opportunities Council announcing there are no longer any grant monies available to assist with water/sewer bills.

GUESTS

- Attorney Sheryl Churney was in attendance.
 - 2023/24 Appropriations ordinance draft – add \$25,000 demolition expense as per Churney's suggestion.
- Churney informed the board that the Zoning Board of Appeals can be the Planning Commission – text amendment to the zoning ordinance is needed.
- Illinois Municipal Code just changed the regulations for wind farms. They are not allowed to install wind turbines any closer than 1.5 mile radius of municipality. County can regulate outside zoning of 1.5 mile radius. She recommends no action to be taken due to the changes recently made. Suggests waiting for the wind farms to come to us to negotiate if we would allow installation closer to the village.
- There was discussion concerning outstanding water/sewer bills. Churney's suggestion is to hire a Collection Attorney – suggesting B. Steele's firm and take the resident to court for payment. She stated that foreclosing on lien would cost the village approximately \$12,000.

-Albert Avenue property that has been abandoned for 2-3 years was discussed. Investment companies have bought for back taxes. She suggests fast track demolition which would cost approximately \$12,000-\$20,000. Can record a lien on demolition costs.

-Board was informed that Body Cam's are required for all police officers by January 1, 2025. Grant money will be available. Buy and then get reimbursed.

-Deadline for lead service line replacement is April 15, 2024

-Effective 1/1/24 Paid leave for all workers – pro-rated time off

ZONING AND PLANNING

-Building permit to S.Day/K. Lilley for fence installation

WATER AND SEWER

-Cleaning gravel

-North and south lift stations pumped

-Baskets at STP cleaned

-Cummins generator at South lift station has been serviced

MAINTENANCE

-Haar suggested raising mowing rate for Albert Avenue property from \$45/hr. to \$60/hr.

-Haar met with Rudy's Lawn Care for an estimate on new landscaping in Centennial Park. Cost would be \$2400. Village would be responsible for purchasing the plants with an approximate total cost of \$3500 for landscaping and plants. Trone made a motion to accept the bid from Rudy, Krowlek seconded, motion carried.

-Benches and table/chairs in Centennial Park have been powerwashed.

-Only 1 Electrical box works in Centennial Park – Haar will remove all others except the box in the gazebo

-Waiting on bids from AAA and Taylor's Way to thin and trim (3) maple trees in the park.

-Infield has been sprayed for weeds – trying a different product that will stay in the soil when diamond is drug. Cost is approximately \$80 more.

ENGINEERING

-No report

POLICE

-No report

BASEBALL – BI-COUNTY MEETING

-Bi-County would like a 5 year plan for the fields

-Would like McNabb to purchase a new wireless scoreboard in the next (5) years – approx. \$3395

-They informed J. Campbell an announcers booth is not needed

-Would like village to open a Baseball Fund – no action was taken

OLD BUSINESS

-AAA Tree Service cleaned up the brush at J. Terando's house after tree was taken down.

-No action taken on siren maintenance agreement with Ragan Communications

-Christmas Décor Lease agreement signed

-Will get information on grant for new Storm Siren

NEW BUSINESS

-(10) Banners will be purchased for Main Street for approximately \$71/each

-(20) solar lamp post lights will be purchased and installed.

-Lamp posts will be painted before lights installed

-Haar will hire M. Edgcomb to help put up the banners

-A new Facebook page will be created for the Village

- During (2) remote meter installations, it was found that the connections on the lines were different than the meter. Village will pay to change the connections to fit the meters.
- Water shut off to one resident on Paul Street needs repairing. Keller will repair.
- Harrison will update 4 liens – (3) water/sewer
(1) mowing
- Further discussion concerning appropriations ordinance – Board decided to increase baseball diamond expense to \$10,000. Harrison will inform Churney of this change.
- July meeting has been changed to July 20 due to vacations.

The board moved into Executive Session at 8:32 pm – Out of Executive Session at 8:37 pm

-There was only (1) resume that the Village received after posting the job of Village Treasurer. Eric Edens will be appointed as Village Treasurer and Elizabeth Raiter will be appointed as Village Trustee.

There was no further business. Next meeting will be held on July 20. Trustee Edens made a motion to adjourn. Cimei seconded, motion carried. Meeting was adjourned.

Patricia Harrison
Village Clerk