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Village of Strasburg
January 20, 2025
Village Board of Trustees Meeting

The Strasburg Village Board of Trustees met on January 20, 2025, at the Strasburg Community Center. Village President Cinda Held called the meeting to order at 6:35 p.m. with all reciting the "Pledge of Allegiance."

In attendance were Trustees Robert Anderson, Jack Clark, Kristina Moore and Dawn Schlechte, Village President Cinda Held, Village Clerk Linda Oakley, Fiscal Clerk Lisa Rincker, Rex Gower and Kenny Fleek with Milano & Grunloh, Village Attorney Dustin Probst, and Gary Kull. Trustees Ian Kinkley and MaRanda McClain were absent.

Attorney Probst had no report.

Rex Gower with Milano & Grunloh gave an update on the various projects that Milano & Grunloh are working on with the Village. **Regarding the School Sewer Project:** The project combined with the lagoon improvements project was awarded 100% principal forgiveness. Prior to beginning on the project, a sign stating the project funding must be posted. The Village will need to pay for the sign, as the expense of the sign is not funded by the grant. **Regarding the Village Lagoon:** The project combined with the school sewer project was awarded 100% principal forgiveness. The loan agreement has been executed and sent back to the IEPA. A pre-construction meeting took place on January 16th. Contract documents are being completed and will be distributed upon completion. The contractor has indicated that work should commence once weather permits, likely March 2025. **Regarding the OSLAD grant:** The project is substantially complete. Once the snow melts, a final walk-thru will be held and a punch list will be made.

Discussion was held regarding putting bids out for Phase 2 of the Park Renovation (completing the pavilion). Legal notice must be published and 30 days for given for bid submission. Milano & Grunloh will work with the Village to prepare the notice.

Mr. Gower and Mr. Fleek left the meeting at 6:47 PM.

Motion by Trustee Schlechte to approve the routine business with corrected minutes was seconded by Trustee Moore. **Motion voted on and carried by voice vote.**

EJ's monthly report – It was noted that the effluent valves were closed for the month of December, and the plant did not discharge. Only influent samples were required to be collected during the month of January, with the plans to hold water as long as possible. On December 10th, Ron Thomas notified EJ that a float was stuck due to grease at the park lift station. Mr. Thomas was able to hose down the floats to clean them and get the lift station working properly again. Clerk's note: Dawn liquid has been added to the lift stations to help break down the grease and a poll skimmer was purchased to help skim out grease.

Mr. Probst left the meeting at 7:00 PM.

Information was given to the board regarding commemorative pavers for the paver area at the new pavilion. The board discussed the various prices for the pavers. Paver sizes are 8x8", 4x8", and 12x12". These pavers will be purchased by individuals and businesses, be inscribed to

commemorate a birth, "in memory of", an anniversary, or a family name or business name. Clerk Oakley will check on individuals to install the pavers.

Motion by Trustee Anderson to accept the bid estimate from Lourash & Mahannah Excavation LLC to pave the walking path at the park for an estimated cost of \$16,700 for two coats of oil, two coats of rock, and each layer rolled was seconded by Trustee Clark. Motion voted on and carried. Anderson – yea; Clark – yea; Kinkley – absent; McClain – absent; Moore – yea; Schlechte – yea. 4 yes – 0 nay – 2 absent.

Clerk Oakley will be checking with EJ Water Cooperative as to the forms they use for landlords and tenants regarding service.

Village President Cinda Held noted that there are several vehicles that are parked along the roads in the village that have not moved for a long time. The Village does have an Ordinance #07-1 regarding abandoned vehicles, junk vehicles and inoperable motor vehicles. Notice will be put in the February 1st sewer bill regarding the ordinance. Following that notice, letters will be sent to individuals regarding the vehicles that have not been moved notifying them of the violation and that fines can be issued for failure to comply with the ordinance.

A letter will be sent to a resident regarding parking a semi on the side of the road next to their residence.

A copy of the report from Vandaventer regarding the inspection of the lift stations was presented to the trustees. Trustee Anderson noted that on the report for York Lift Station it was noted that the impellers showed some wear. He requested that the Village find out from Vandaventer how long these will work and what is the cost of replacing them.

President Held noted that she had been asked about the Village having a clean-up day this year. Following discussion, it was decided that the Village would not try to have one this year.

Gary Kull noted that the T-Mobile Grant application had been completed by him and Clerk Oakley and submitted on December 30th.

Clerk Oakley noted that Jim Closson, with our insurance company, was in and was going to take pictures of the new pavilion and playground equipment, tennis court and basketball court to update our insurance policy.

With no further business, **motion** by Trustee Anderson to adjourn was seconded by Trustee Schlechte. Meeting was adjourned at 7:38 PM.

Linda Oakley
Village Clerk