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Village of Strasburg
November 16, 2020 Village Board of Trustees Meeting

The Strasburg Village Board of Trustees met on Monday, November 16, 2020 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, MaRanda McClain, Chuck Wade, Village Clerk Linda Oakley, Attorney Dustin Probst, Kristina Moore, and Gary Kull. As a result of the COVID-19 pandemic, members were spaced at least 6 foot apart to comply with requirements.

Motion by Trustee McClain to approve the Routine Business (approval of 10-19-20 minutes, financial reports, expenditures, general journal entries/transfer of funds) as seconded by Trustee Connell. Motion voted on and carried by voice vote.

Attorney Probst noted William Nash is the sole owner of the Veach property. He was served on November 5th. December 7, 2020 is the last date for any defendant to answer or otherwise file responsive pleadings. If no response then a court date will be set and hopefully it will be completed by the end of the year.

The two new plat possibilities were presented for discussion. The York Acres Committee will be meeting to further discuss the plats.

This year's Christmas Light Contest will be a "People's Choice." Residents will be able to vote by paper for their favorite light display. A can will be placed at Shortstop and at the Village Office. Voting will take place between December 7 and December 17. The winners will receive credit on their sewer bill - \$50 for first, \$30 for second and \$20 for third.

Motion by Trustee Connell to give the three employees a \$75 gift card from Shortstop was seconded by Trustee McClain. Motion voted on and carried. Anderson – yea; Clark – yea; Connell – yea; McClain – yea, Wade – yea. 5 yea, 0 nay.

Motion by Trustee Connell to give the three employees a \$.50/hour raise effective January 1, 2021 was seconded by Trustee Clark. Motion voted on and carried. Anderson – yea; Clark – yea; Connell – yea; McClain – yea, Wade – yea. 5 yea, 0 nay

President Held noted that one pump at York Sewer Lift Station was not working. We will request that Vandevanter fix the problem if possible, during their inspection of the lift stations in December.

President Held noted that Kurt Friese will be adding clay to the ball diamond. The cost is \$360 with the monies coming from the special park improvement fund.

President Held also noted that she had received a call from Lee Beckman. There is a new grant through the IEPA for unsewered communities. He thinks that this grant could be used for the school to put in their sewer line to our lagoon. The Village would apply for the grant, but there would be no cost to the Village. The first part of the grant is \$30,000 for the planning, then the next phase is 100% of construction costs up to \$5,000,000. The design and engineering will not be covered by the grant with the school being responsible for that. President Held will be attending the School Board meeting on Wednesday evening.

No further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:40 PM.

Linda D. Oakley, Village Clerk