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Village of Strasburg
March 15, 2021
Village Board of Trustees Meeting

The Strasburg Village Board of Trustees met on Monday, March 15, 2021 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, Ian Kinkley, 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/guests were spaced at least 6 foot apart to comply with requirements.

President Held noted that she had talked with the regional manager of Consolidated Communications. The Village has fiber optic to the telephone building, but from the building going out it is copper. President Held is in conversations with both Consolidated and EJ Water regarding fiber optic coming to Strasburg.

Motion by Trustee Anderson to approve the Routine Business (approval of 2-23-21 minutes, financial reports, expenditures) as seconded by Trustee McClain. Motion voted on and carried by voice vote.

Attorney Probst had no report.

Bids were submitted by both Paul Tabbert and Dale Navis to demolish and remove the Veach House.

Motion by Trustee Anderson to accept Dale Navis's bid to tear down and remove the Veach house was seconded by Trustee Clark. Motion voted on by roll-call vote and passed. Anderson – yea; Clark – yea; Connell – yea; Kinkley – yea; McClain – yea; Wade – yea. 6 yea – 0 nay.

Discussion as to what the Village would do with the lot once it is cleaned up. **Motion** by Trustee Clark that the Village advertise the lot for sale with the stipulation that a home must be built within one year of purchase was seconded by Trustee Anderson. Motion voted on by roll-call vote and passed. Anderson – yea; Clark – yea; Connell – yea; Kinkley – yea; McClain – yea; Wade – yea. 6 yea – 0 nay.

Dale Navis had also submitted a bid for cleaning out the ditch south of the lagoon in the amount of \$1800.

Motion by Trustee Wade to have Mr. Navis clean out the south sewer lagoon ditch was seconded by Trustee Connell. Motion voted on by roll-call vote and passed. Anderson – yea; Clark – yea; Connell – yea; Kinkley – yea; McClain – yea; Wade – yea. 6 yea – 0 nay.

Trustee Kinkley presented information from a disc golf basket manufacturer/supplier on the cost of the baskets, etc. The Mach 2 is less expensive and is geared more to parks, recreation areas. Trustee Kinkley and President Held will submit a grant application to the Strasburg Foundation to help with the expense of this project.

Trustee Wade reported that he and Mr. Riley had made the trip to Arthur to check on a trailer, however, the cost was approximately \$1,000 higher. **Motion** by Trustee Wade to purchase a 24-foot trailer from DDS Sales in Teutopolis was seconded by Trustee Anderson.

Motion by Trustee McClain to adopt the York Acres Phase 2 Certificate of Platting and Certificate of Restrictions and Covenants with the changes made this date, along with a signed plat from Engineer Lee Beckman was seconded by Trustee Kinkley. Motion voted on by roll-call vote and passed. Anderson – yea; Clark – yea; Connell – yea; Kinkley – yea; McClain – yea; Wade – yea. 6 yea – 0 nay. As soon as the signed documents are filed with the County Clerk, packets will be made and given to individuals expressing interest in the purchase of a lot in Phase 2 area.

The York Acres Committee will be meeting on March 22nd. In April, the Board will discuss marketing of the lots in Phase 2.

President Held noted that although ATVs are allowed in town, they must meet all of the criteria and be issued a permit. Questions were asked about revisiting the allowance of ATVs and whether they need to be banned from the Golf Cart /UTV / ATV Ordinance. Trustees Wade and Kinkley will work on updating the Ordinance.

Discussion was held regarding Bill Riley's hours. He will be mowing for the Corps of Engineers again this year. Consensus of board members that he can work for the Village up to 24 hours per week in the winter and up to 24 hours per week in the summer. However, if Mr. Riley has nothing to do, he must clock out. He is to have set days that he will be working for the Village during the summer months when he is mowing. President Held will check with Mr. Riley regarding inspecting Golf Carts, UTVs and ATVs.

President Held noted that the pedestrian bridge at the Karn House is shifting and beginning to block the sidewalk and causing a hazard. Discussion was held if the Village had the right to take the bridge out. Attorney Probst noted that it would depend on if it were on the Village right-of-way.

Gary Kull reminded the members that the Lion's Club will hold a Fish Fry at the Community Center on March 26.

No further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:10 PM.

Linda D. Oakley, Village Clerk