

Ed Barney, Village Attorney, called the meeting to order at 7:00pm at Village Hall, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present at Roll Call: Trustees Sandlin, Hughes, Delhaye, Ellis, McFadden and Gallion, as well as Village Attorney Barney, Village Clerk Slavik and Village Treasurer Larson.

**AGENDA** entertained a motion to approve the agenda and place on file. Motion by ; second by . Motion carried.

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

**MINUTES** entertained a motion to approve the Public Hearing Minutes of 01-18-2023 and the Regular Meeting Minutes of 01-18-2023 and place on file. Motion by ; second by . No discussion. Motion carried.

**CLAIMS** entertained a motion to approve the Claims and place the report on file. Motion by ; second by . Motion carried.

**CLERK REPORT** entertained a motion to approve the Clerk Report, turn the money over to the Treasurer and place the report on file. Motion by ; second by . Motion carried.

**TREASURER'S REPORT** Treasurer Larson's report was for January 2023. He said . entertained a motion to approve the Treasurers Report and place on file. Motion by ; second by . No further discussion. Motion carried.

### **COMMUNICATIONS**

Clerk Slavik read a thank you for the sock drive donation from Fair Hope Children's Ministry in Danville.

**POLICE REPORT** Chairman Ellis highlighted items on the report and said . Chief Booe's report was for January 13, 2023 through February 09, 2023. There were 42 Reports and 241 Calls for the reporting period. entertained a motion to accept the Police Report and place it on file. Motion by ; second by . No further discussion. Motion carried.

**PUBLIC WORKS** Park: Chairman Gallion had nothing to report as the park is closed. Chairman Delhaye highlighted items from the Public Works Director's report and added the following: For Streets/Alleys the plow and lights were also salvaged from the wrecked dump truck. In Gas and Water under Gas he highlighted items on the report. Under Water ; Sidewalks they repaired at the Maple Street approach where a water leak was repaired (only seed and straw are needed on the east side of the highway). Bldgs./Grounds & Comm. Beautification Chairwoman Hughes reported that the Franklin and the Main Street properties will be sold by the end of this week. There is grant money still available to take down one more property in 2023 and they need to decide with property to go after.

### **PUBLIC WORKS REPORT BY MICHAEL BENNETT January 13, 2023 through February 09, 2023**

**In the Water Department**: Changed meters (238 of 300, 90 since last meeting), worked on repairs, took routine water samples, changed daily totalizer chart, calculated daily usage, took chlorine residuals, swept and mopped water plant, shut off delinquent accounts, had Water Training at Aqua Illinois in Danville on Chlorine and Hypochlorite all attended, repaired a leaking water line under the highway at 615 S. State, had a water break on a 2-inch main on Mack St., eliminated a leaking curb stop and

replaced it with an angle valve at 217 Market St., will have a three-day training seminar in Effingham three field employees will attend, received the permit from Springfield EPA on the Hypochlorite installation for the water plant. Hawkins Inc can proceed on the installation.

**In the Gas Department:** Changed meters, worked on repairs, changed daily high/low charts, checked odorizer daily, patrolled gas system, took odorant readings, shut off delinquent accounts, will have Operator Qualification training in March for Damage Prevention. One employee will retest for Indoor and Outdoor Leak Investigation and Valves, calculated Odorant, did Performance Reviews, replace Carsonite signs along Cemetery Rd., took test on operation and maintenance, also emergency plan, all passed, will have a GUA Committee meeting in March, MPUA meeting in person to review ongoing concerns. **In Village Business:** Cleaned catch basins, • New phone system installed in Village and Gas and Water office, boarded up window 312 Victor St., pick up limbs throughout town due to high winds, backhoe to Rossville for repairs, replace porch post at Police Station, remove roadkill Connecticut.**In Other Business:** Will continue to shut off delinquent accounts, will have Flagger Training in Georgetown by our Village Insurance Company, our 550 Dump Truck was involved with a wreck. Insurance totaled the truck. We did salvage the truck bed, salt spreader, plow and lights. Got 3 Bids Skid Steer: Birkey's No Trade Offer, John Deere \$39,000 Trade Offer, Chrisman \$25,000 Trade Offer. Found a truck: 10% Down Payment, purchase price @\$67,000, low offer of \$5200 trade for 2011 F250. There were 18 JULIE CALLS, 11 Gas & Water Work orders, 29 Water Work Orders, 10 Gas Work Orders, 9 Public Works Work Orders, 0 CO Calls, 5 Odor Calls.

entertained a motion to accept the Public Works Report and place it on file. Motion by ; second by . No further discussion. Motion carried.

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Ord. #23-1509 changes the Regular Meeting time from 7:00pm on the third Wednesday of each month to 6:00pm on the third Wednesday of each month. entertained a motion to adopt the ordinance. Motion by ; second by . Motion carried.

B&H Recycling would like to work an event in Westville on April 1<sup>st</sup> where area people (not just Westville residents) can bring items to dispose of them. There is a list of prices per particular item. B&H does the work themselves and would provide insurance. It could be held at the Village Garage parking lot and traffic would flow one way in and out of the lot.

Resolution #23-01 sets the date and time for the Labor Day Parade. entertained a motion to adopt the resolution. Motion by ; second by . No further discussion. Motion carried.

The Village can trade in the mini excavator and get a John Deere skid steer from Chrisman Farm Center for a balance \$25,000.00. Birkey's didn't offer a trade-in value on the mini excavator. Bennett also got a bid from AHW from Urbana and after the trade the total is \$11,000.00. entertained a motion to trade with AHW in Urbana.

Arnold's Office Supply and Rogard's Office Supply bid on chairs for the council room. The Mayor and Clerk prefer vinyl chairs, chairs that will accommodate up to 450# and also adjust for tall people, and prefer armless chairs for lack of space at the council table. Arnold's bid \$600.00 per chair assembled and delivered. Rogard's bid \$\$473.00 per chair assembled and delivered. The old chairs would be offered for sale. entertained a motion to purchase out of the current budget from Rogards. No further discussion. Motion carried.

The Village put \$7,000.00 to hold a 2023 GMC Sierra 2500 HD Pro truck from Serra of Champaign. \$68,512.86 was the starting price, and they would give us \$5,256.00 on the old 2011 F250 pickup truck. Bennett thinks this trade-in

offer is low. Bennett is going to see if they would throw in the running boards and mud flaps (valued at \$809.60). If they do, the balance due is \$60,703.26 and if they won't, the balance due is \$61,512.86. entertained a motion to approve the trade and purchase. No further discussion. Motion carried.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

Ordinance #23-1508 adds one Class A Liquor License to the available number, intended for "The Blue Store at 111 N. State St., Westville. Mayor Weese entertained a motion to adopt the ordinance. Motion by ; second by . Motion carried.

Mayor Weese entertained a motion to change the Regular Meetings on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of each month from 7:00pm to 6:00pm instead. Motion by ; second by . Motion carried. Barney will prepare an ordinance to be adopted at the February 15, 2023 Regular Meeting. That meeting would still be held at 7:00pm until the ordinance is passed and effective for the March 15, 2023 Regular Meeting.

entertained a motion to go to Closed Session at p.m. for legal opinion on the property at 311 S. State St. that the Village owns. Motion by ; second by . Motion carried.

entertained a motion to reconvene Open Session at p.m. Motion by ; second by . Motion carried.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Weese entertained a motion to adjourn at p.m. Motion by ; second by . Motion carried. Meeting adjourned.