

Village of Westville Regular Meeting July 20, 2022 7:00pm

Mayor Weese called the meeting to order at 7:00pm at Village Hall, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Present at Roll Call: Trustees Sandlin, Delhaye, Hughes, Ellis, McFadden and Gallion, as well as Village Clerk Slavik and Village Attorney Barney. Village Treasurer Larson was absent.

AGENDA

Mayor Weese entertained a motion approve the agenda and place on file. Motion by Hughes; second by Sandlin. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Donna Haluska asked which house is going to be torn down: Hughes said across from Brunswick. She also asked about the liquor license that was supposed to be for the addition to the gas station up north; they haven't done anything yet. John Brown thanked Streets & Alleys for their work which opened up Mack St. so people with golf carts can get out rather than going out to Main.

MINUTES

Mayor Weese entertained a motion to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes from 06-15-2022 and the Police Committee Meeting Minutes from 07-14-22 and place on file. Motion by Gallion; second by Ellis. No further discussion. Motion carried.

CLAIMS

Mayor Weese entertained a motion to approve the Claims and place the report on file. Motion by Sandlin; second by Hughes. Motion carried.

CLERK REPORT

Mayor Weese entertained a motion to approve the Clerk Report, turn the money over to the Treasurer and place the report on file. Motion by Delhaye; second by Sandlin. Motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Trustee McFadden asked how we spent almost \$25,000.00 on sidewalk work when there is only \$14,000.00 in the budget. There was discussion regarding who decides what needs repaired and who is hired to do the work, and the need for committee meetings. This had come up before with another board and Barney said they do not need approval to spend money in the budget. Weese will check on the amount entered on the Treasurer's Report for sidewalks and suspects there is an entry error, and that the number was supposed to be \$25,000.00. Weese entertained a motion to approve the Treasurers Report as presented and place on file. Motion by Ellis; second by Gallion. No further discussion. Motion carried.

COMMUNICATIONS

(none)

POLICE REPORT

Chairman Ellis highlighted items on the report and said they're still getting quotes for equipment for the newest squad car. Guerrero will be finished with training the 28th, will be off a weekend and then

begins in-house FTO (full-time officer) training. Booe would like to see another speed limit sign put in and McFadden would like to see it by the park and said the data from the one that was installed shows promising results. They cost around \$3,300.00, including brackets according to Varvel.

Chief Booe's report was for 06-10-2022 through July 14, 2022. There were 34 Reports and 170 Calls for the reporting period. Mayor Weese entertained a motion to accept the Police Report and place on file. Motion by Hughes; second by McFadden. No further discussion. Motion carried.

PUBLIC WORKS

Insurance/Community: Chairman McFadden had nothing new to report.

Park: Chairman Gallion highlighted items on the Public Works Report and also said the new equipment has been installed, mulch delivered and spread by our workers. He said a sidewalk was poured to lead to the new playground equipment, and a concrete pad poured for the kiddie picnic tables, which the kids are using. Also, the "In Memory" plaque for Faith Wylde was installed near those tables and officers from the Class of 2023, Johnnie Hull, Mayor Weese, and some board members were present to place tables and the plaque. They are looking at adding a camera or two and a light near the new playground equipment. Delhaye said he'd like to see more trees put into the park since we have taken out so many. The Legion "Picnic in the Park" is August 7th from noon-4pm and is free to the public. They'll have a bounce house, Bingo, and food. Delhaye asked about reimbursement from the state with the grant for the new playground equipment. Varvel has an upcoming meeting, and the mayor will sign paperwork and it will then be submitted for \$50,000.00 reimbursement.

Public Works Streets/Alleys, Gas and Water, Sewers Chairman Delhaye highlighted items on the report and added that 115 Ellsworth will be raised this Friday and there will be a rebuild on the same property. Public Works Director Mike Bennett said they'll visit St. John, IN to look at their meter system. St. John has 7,000 meters and has had them since 2013. Also, Delhaye said Bob Brown hasn't begun the storm sewer ditch work yet from Hickman going north. Bennett has called Bob and doesn't have a response yet.

Bldgs./Grounds & Comm. Beautification Chairwoman Hughes said We are still waiting on the occupant on the W. Main property to vacate and then the asbestos inspection will take place and demo scheduled along with two other properties.

PUBLIC WORKS REPORT BY MICHAEL BENNETT June 10, 2022 through July 14, 2022

In the Water Department they changed meters, worked on repairs, took routine water samples, changed daily totalizer chart, calculated daily usage, took chlorine residuals, swept and mopped water plant, removed water meter @ 41 Shaw St., shut off delinquent accounts, will be taking DPD water samples. **In the Gas Department** they changed meters, worked on repairs, changed daily high/low charts, checked odorizer daily, patrolled gas system, took odorant readings, shut off delinquent accounts, will be cutting off service @ 115 Ellsworth and 106 Market. **In Village/Other Business** they maintained 17 Village-owned properties (mow, weed eat, put weed killer down), met with Master Meter in person & a webinar, MPUA BOD meeting June 23, Zoom call with Donahue June 20, Effingham GUA meeting June 14, did have lightening hit the water telemetry system, trimmed trees – alley connecting Cook to N. Scott, behind Jules & Victor, behind 818 N State, around Williams @ stop sign,

Walnut St by school parking lot, Washington St south of Short, South St & S. Scott, by 305 Clark, put asphalt down – W. Williams & McKinley, Bridget St, N. Scott, 420 Pennsylvania, put gravel in alley by 305 Elm, removed dead animal on E Kelly, pick up limbs in park and throughout the village from weekend storm, secure new picnic tables near north pavilion, place pea gravel around playground equipment, paint various structures around village park, someone clogged toilet at village park with toilet paper. Fixed the toilet, moved grill @ north pavilion, filled in new playground area with millings and mulch, wrapped power poles in park, cleaned storm drain by Latoz Hardware, cleaned out catch basin @ 1st corner of Illinois and worked the Village Clean Up. There were 77 J U L I E CALLS, 19 Gas & Water Work orders, 21 Water Work Orders, 4 Gas Work Orders, 0 CO Calls, 2 Odor Calls.

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

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

MFT: Ribbe Bid \$149,328.36 for 2022 tar and chip work needs board approval. Weese said Ribbe hopes he can get the rock he'll need. Mayor Weese entertained a motion to approve the expenditure. Motion by Delhaye; second by McFadden. Motion carried.

Mayor Weese entertained a motion to appoint Will Cottrell as Westville's fifth full-time Police Officer. Motion by Sandlin; second by Hughes. No further discussion. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

There was discussion on prohibiting pets in the park because feces is not being cleaned up as the ordinances require that it be. Consensus is to have Barney draft an ordinance for 'NO PETS ALLOWED' and signs would also be erected. Barney said service animals are exempt from being prohibited in the park under State laws.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Weese entertained a motion to adjourn at 7:35p.m. Motion by Sandlin; second by McFadden. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned.