

**VILLAGE OF CENTERTOWN
BOARD OF TRUSTEES REGULAR MEETING**

October 28, 2021

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of Centertown, Missouri was called to order at 6:30 pm on October 28, 2021, by Chairman Brown, in the Village Hall at 1227 Broadway. On roll, the following members were present.

Chairman Brown
Chairman Pro Tem Baker
Trustee Hinshaw
Trustee Hunger
Trustee LePage

Trustee Hunger made a motion to accept the tentative agenda. Trustee LePage seconded. There being no further discussion, motion carried on voice vote.

Comments & Questions from Residents: Mr. Hoffman had questions regarding the right of way on Lake Shore. He was informed that he is responsible for mowing the right of way that joins his property. He had previously sent questions to the village. They were answered by legal counsel. He asked that those be put in the minutes for the record.

Minutes – September 28, 2021 Regular Meeting – Minutes were provided to the board members prior to the meeting. Trustee Hunger made a motion to accept the minutes as written. Trustee Hinshaw seconded. There being no further discussion, motion passed with voice vote.

FINANCIAL REPORT

September bank reconciliations for all accounts were provided for Board Members and public in attendance. Bank Statements for September 2021 were also provided as supporting documents. Total of all accounts was \$871,920.12.

WATERWORKS REPORT.

Chief Water Operator Wirts stated that the hour meter on the well quit working. He ordered one. He was told that things that are emergent, he can go ahead and purchase, but non-emergent items must be approved by the chairman first. The AC for the well house will have to wait until spring. Customer at 222 Shangri La contacted him regarding concerns about the shut off valve. Customer was unable to get it off. He does have a shut off valve in the house. There is no emergent issue on this. If the customer needs water shut off outside, he needs to contact waterwork to do it. Chief Water Operator completed 3 locates during the month and had just received 3 more.

VILLAGE CLERK REPORT

A refund was received from Bartlett & West for Overpayment. There were no shut off's for the month of October.

There were 8 aged receivables. We have had 14 new customers from January until October.

Customer had question about whether or not the trash truck can go down the alley since it was fixed. Older residents have difficult time getting their trash down to Mill Street. The answer is "NO" because the truck is a part of the problem with the alley issues. Was informed that if they call Republic, they can request the drivers come up and get it because of inability to take down to the street.

MRWA conference was informative. There was a lot of talk regarding safety. Requesting wireless door bell. Approved. Door will be kept locked with a notice posted to ring bell for service. Business will be conducted in the lobby. There was a lot of talk at the meeting about bad boards and mayors. This board is a great group that looks after the residents of the town now and for future needs.

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OLD BUSINESS

ROAD REPAIRS

June contract with Higgins Asphalt kept being put off. They are now saying it will be done by the end of the year. Legal Counsel suggested a contract with a due date.

WATER TOWER UPDATE

The tower has been erected. The Railroad bore has been completed and they have until December 10 to clean up. Fencing will be put up after painting which is behind schedule. We may have underrun of \$100,000.

CO-MO CONNECT HIGH-SPEED INTERNET

Chairman Brown has not received a response from them regarding a meeting since he stated we would like a community meeting.

ZONING COMMITTEE

Chairman Brown would like to get a zoning committee together by December and have a presentation by March. It will require 2 board members and 7 residents.

INTERNET TAX

If we had had this tax in 2020, it would have generated \$5,500 and if we had had this the first part of 2021, we would have generated \$1,533. It was decided that we will have the 1st reading of a bill for this tax at the November meeting and the second reading in December. It will need to be ready in January 2022 to place on the ballot in April 2022. We do need to decide what these taxes will be used for.

RESCHEDULE BUDGET REVIEW

The meeting is being rescheduled to December 9, 2021 at 6:30 pm.

NEW BUSINESS

COLE COUNTY MONUMENT

Cole County is providing the village with a monument commemorating the bicentennial. They will install it. Trustee Hunger made a motion that the monument be placed on the lot across from the church. Trustee LePage seconded. Being no further discussion, the motion passed with voice vote.

WINTER SNOW PLOWING

James cannot plow for the village this year. The board decided that Chairman Brown has discretion to hire someone new. Village Clerk will have ad placed in News Tribune and California Democrat as well as have them run it on line. Possibly hire a backup also.

SCHEDULE AUDIT REVIEW SPECIAL MEETING

After discussion, it was decided to have the audit review meeting on November 23, 2021 at 6:00 pm. The auditor will be joining via Zoom.

BJB ERECT BILL

The bill for services had been sent to the survey company. This was an emergent situation. Gravel was a full load. It was left on the driveway because our drop off spot for gravel could not be accessed due to equipment in the way. There are questions regarding the taxes also. It was determined that we should have done the billing. Taxes need to be taken off because we are exempt. Village will pay BJB and then bill CMPS.

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Trustee Hunger made a motion to pay bills. Trustee LePage seconded. There being no further discussion, motion passed on a roll call vote.

AYE: Brown, Baker, Hinshaw, Hunger, and LePage.

NOES: none

Bills were paid.

There being no further business Chairman Pro-Tem Baker made a motion to adjourn the regular meeting. Trustee LePage seconded. Motion passed on a roll call vote.

AYES: Brown, Baker, Hinshaw, Hunger and LePage

NOES: none

Meeting adjourned 8:15 pm

Next regular meeting is November 30, 2021

Adam Brown, Chairman

CB

Signature on file
Chairman, Board of Trustees

Signature on file
Village Clerk

***Documents presented to the board available upon request**