

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

AUGUST 31, 2021

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of Centertown, Missouri was called to order at 6:30 pm on August 31, 2021, by Chairman Brown, in the Village Hall at 1227 Broadway. On roll, the following members were present.

Adam Brown
Debra Baker
Paula Hinshaw
Travis LePage
Heather Hunger

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

Minutes – July 27, 2021, Regular Meeting – Minutes were provided to the board members prior to the meeting. Trustee LePage made a motion to accept the minutes as written. Trustee Hunger seconded. There being no further discussion, motion passed with voice vote.

Minutes – July 27, 2021, Closed Meeting – Minutes were provided to the board members prior to the meeting. Trustee LePage made a motion to accept the minutes as written. Trustee Hunger seconded. There being no further discussion, motion passed with voice vote.

Minutes – August 12, 2021 Closed Meeting – Minutes were provided to the board members prior to the meeting. Trustee LePage made a motion to accept the minutes as written. Chairman Pro Tem Baker seconded. There being no further discussion, motion passed with voice vote.

There were no questions or comments from the residents.

FINANCIAL REPORT

July bank reconciliations for all accounts were provided for Board Members and public in attendance. Bank Statements for July 2021 were also provided as supporting documents. Total of all accounts was \$1,007,481.69. After bills were paid, the balance was below \$1 million.

WATERWORKS REPORT

Derek McCubbin sent his resignation. Chairman Brown, did the Bac T test. The New Chief Water Operator will begin on September 1.

VILLAGE CLERK REPORT

There were no shut offs for August. Four letters were sent out for accounts receivable.

We received a phone call that one of the tenants at 235 Shangri-La was in the hospital with COVID and not doing well at all and his wife also had it, but was at home. The person calling us with the information was willing to pay their bill at that time in order to avoid a penalty. Later notified that she had passed away. They said we could send the bill out again for the family to take care of. The board was asked if they wanted the Village Clerk to resend the bill.

Chairman Brown made a motion to not resend the bill and not worry about it at the time. Trustee Lepage seconded the motion. Being no further discussion, the motion passed on voice vote.

One of the residents of 11515 Main Street came in the other day very upset about their water readings again. She stated she knows it was read this time, but can't be right. She stated that it should be illegal for it to be estimated. Chairman Pro Tem Baker was in the office at the time and compiled all of the data since December. A letter was being put together to answer any concerns.

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Office will be closed 15-30 minutes early on September 2. The Village Clerk has a Dr. appointment.

OLD BUSINESS

ALLEY ROAD REPAIRS

The board was presented with estimates from Distler Brothers Enterprises LLC to repair the alley between Mill and Pine Streets. The estimated amount was \$3,752.00. Trustee Hunger made a motion that the estimate be accepted. Trustee LePage seconded. There being no further discussion, the motion carried on voice vote.

WATER TOWER UPDATE

Construction will begin on September 1. The crew will be on sight for 2 weeks straight including weekends and the holiday. The remaining construction must be completed by October 31. The tank will be ready for use on November 1. Everything at the site will be complete by December 10, 2021.

Well-Flynn started putting in the new items needed in the well. It should be complete the next day. The tower was filled prior to start. When finished, it will be flushed and chlorine levels and a Bac T test will be done.

A special meeting will be held mid-September to compose a letter that will encourage the water customers to consider having a plumber to make sure their water lines will hold up when the water pressure increases.

WATERTOWER FINANCIAL REPORT

Chairman Pro Tem Baker gave a financial report regarding the new water tower. A copy of that report is attached.

Chairman Pro Tem Baker made a motion to transfer \$170,000.00 from Grant Account and \$50,000.00 from Loan Account and \$30,000.00 from Investments account to the Waterworks Maintenance account, totaling \$250,000.000. Trustee Hunger seconded. There being no further discussion, motion passed on voice vote.

NEW BUSINESS

SUPPORT TO COLE COUNTY FOR HIGH-SPEED INTERNET

A letter supporting High-Speed Internet in Cole County was composed by Chairman Brown and presented to the board to sign. It was signed by all members and given to Commissioner Otto who was present at the meeting.

SIGNING OF CONTRACT FOR NEW CHIEF WATER OPERATOR.

Kyle Wirts was given a copy of the contract for new chief water operator to review. He accepted the contract as written and signed it. He was given a copy for his records.

RESOLUTION 02-2021. ENTER INTO AGREEMENT FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT SERVICES FOR ANIMAL CONTROL

The resolution was sent to the board members for review prior to the meeting. It was also posted to the webpage.

Trustee Hunger made a motion to allow Chairman Brown to enter into an agreement with Cole County Law Enforcement Services for Animal Control. Trustee Lepage seconded. There was no further discussion and the motion passed with the following vote.

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

NOES: none

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RESOLUTION 03-2021 NAMING THE ROAD LEADING TO THE WATER TOWER PLASTER WAY.

The resolution was sent to the board members for review prior to the meeting. It was also posted to the webpage prior to the meeting.

Trustee LePage made a motion to name the road leading to the water tower, Plaster Way. Trustee Hunger Seconded. There was no further discussion and the motion passed with the following vote.

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

NOES: none

BILL NO. 0021-15, AN ORDINANCE TO VACATE LAKESHORE DRIVE

Trustee LePage made a motion for discussion of this topic before proceeding. Trustee Hunger seconded the motion.

If the bill passes, it would give the road to four owners. After looking at the bill that was written by legal counsel, several errors were discovered.

Trustee Hunger made the motion to table this bill. Trustee LePage seconded the motion and it passed on a voice vote

PROPERTY TAX RATES

Chairman Brown read the pro-forma. The proposed property tax rate is above our ceiling. Trustee Hunger made a motion that we keep the property tax rate at .7500. Chairman Pro Tem Baker seconded. There was no further discussion and the motion passed on a voice vote.

Trustee Hunger made a motion to pay bills. Chairman Pro Tem Baker seconded.

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

NOES: none

Bills were paid.

There being no further business Trustee Hunger made a motion to adjourn the regular meeting. Trustee LePage seconded. Motion Carried.

AYES: Brown, Baker, Hinshaw, LePage and Hunger

NOES: none

Meeting adjourned 7:45 pm

Next regular meeting is September 28, 2021

Adam Brown, Chairman

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SIGNATURE ON FILE

CHAIRMAN, BOARD OF TRUSTEES

ATTEST:

SIGNATURE ON FILE

VILLAGE CLERK