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January 22, 2024

The regular scheduled monthly board meeting was held on Monday, January 22, 2024 at 6:30pm. The meeting was held in the small conference room at the village hall. Acting village president, Mike Moyers called the meeting to order at 6:30pm. Mike opened the meeting with a moment in prayer.

Roll Call was as follows: Kelly Bate, present; Rob Blondi, absent; Joe Burgess, absent; Gale Burzynski, present; Scott Dagner, present; Dave Kent, present; Mike Moyers, present and village treasurer, Chris Scroggins, present.

There was no correspondence presented at the meeting.

Mike opened the floor to village residents at the meeting and asked if they had anything they wanted to present. Several residents talked about the new ordinances recently passed and concerns of being watched. Scott Dagner explained the reasons the ordinances were passed and their intent.

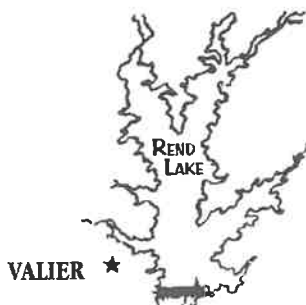
Kelly Bate made a motion to approve the December 11, 2023 community meeting minutes, the December 18, 2023 regular scheduled board meeting minutes and the December 18, 2023 executive meeting minutes. Second was given by Gale Burzynski. Motion carried. All yeas.

Chris Scroggins presented the claims report of bills from December 19 to January 22, 2024. Chris went over this report in detail. A motion was made by Kelly Bate to accept this report. Second was given by Scott Dagner. Motion carried. All yeas.

Chris also handed out a balance sheet as of December 31, 2023. After he discussed the report, Kelly made a motion to accept it. Gale Burzynski seconded the motion. Motion carried. All yeas.

Chris also presented the final audited financial report as of April 30, 2023. He discussed the audit in detail and there were no findings. Gale Burzynski made a motion to accept the audited report and Dave Kent seconded the motion. Motion carried. All yeas.

Acting village president, Mike Moyers presented fire chief, Mike Gulley's report for the fire department under committee reports. They had 8 calls; 5 medical emergency lift assists, 1 in town CO2 detector, 1 auto aid to Sesser and 1 out of town field fire.



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Mike gave an update on water/sewer. The lift pumping station has still been shutting down with rags plugging it up. Mike talked to C&C Pump about getting a grinder pump to combat this issue but it will not work.

Mike reported for street/alley he had been picking up garbage debris on the Overhead Bridge Road and hoped to continue to do this on the other entrances in town. He would really like to see the town cleaned up.

There was no police report presented but Mike remarked that he was not able to work for a couple weeks this past month due to getting him registered and on the roster with the Illinois State Police. This has been taken care of now and he has been asked to provide a report to be shared at the board meetings.

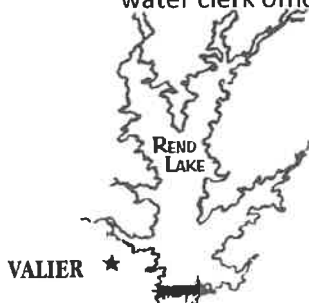
There were 2 animal control reports presented at the meeting. One report dated December 18, 2023 with 2 calls from Central Dispatch and 1 verbal warning. The other report dated January 20, 2024 with 3 calls from Central Dispatch and 4 social media outreach

Kelly Bate made a motion to accept the committee reports. Dave Kent seconded the motion. Motion carried. All yeas.

Under old business, Mike informed the board that new bank account changes had been made under Chris's recommendation and new CD's had been secured at the bank.

Scott Dagner stated the taser, ballistic vest and uniform had been purchased for the police. He also said we would need to purchase a digital radio and a tac mike for approximately \$840. A bid from Novacom was presented for \$869 but Scott said he would look into this some more. He is also looking into a computer for the police car for around \$2,400. Scott also reported that Kyle Bacon, the Franklin County Sheriff, came and talked about a neighborhood watch program on January 18, 2024 at 6:00pm. Scott said attendance was good at the meeting and Crystal would most likely be heading this up through the "Valier Watch" site on Facebook.

Mike stated the 4 gas monitor had been purchased as well as 4 tables for the village hall and the village water clerk office window was installed,



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Under new business, Mike presented 2 contracts from C&C Pumps and Supply. The first contract is for a bi-annual preventative maintenance service on the lift station for \$1,655. The second contract was for an annual wet-well clean out of \$1,660. Mike said they have the proper safety equipment and feels like

this is the best economical solution for the village and less risk to our village employees. Scott Dagner made a motion to accept both contracts and Kelly Bate seconded the motion. Motion carried. All yeas.

Under Other, acting village president, Mike Moyers stated he would like to post a closed bulletin board sign at the post office outside with village information. He would also like to see the town streets, residences and buildings taken care of. He will be working with the police to issue violations on inoperable vehicles, unlawful weed growth and trash receptacles left on the streets. Mike appointed Kelly Bate and Dave Kent to be code enforcement officers to help enforce the ordinances.

Mike asked the board for permission to pursue court filings, legal fees, and title work on the property at 104 W. Flora St. to be able to post it for sale as well as permission to post for sale the 2 lots at 304 E Wilson St. at a minimum bid of \$1,000 per lot that the village owns. Kelly Bate made a motion for Mike to proceed on the village's behalf regarding these properties and Dave Kent seconded the motion. Motion carried. All yeas.

At 7:46pm a motion was made by Gale Burzynski to go into executive session. Second was made by Kelly Bate. Motion Carried. All yeas.

Motion to return out of executive session was made by Kelly Bate at 8:14pm. Second was given by Gale Burzynski. Motion Carried. All Yeas.

Motion to adjourn was made by Gale Burzynski. Dave Kent seconded the motion. Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 8:20pm.



Gina Shurtz, Village Clerk

