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December 2, 2024

The regular monthly board meeting scheduled for November was held on Monday, December 2, 2024 at 6:30pm instead of November 25, 2024 due to lack of a quorum. The meeting was held in the small conference room at the village hall. Acting village president, Mike Moyers called the meeting to order at 6:38pm and opened with a word of prayer.

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

Under correspondence, Mike told the board members present that he had a meeting with Rodney Potts, our village engineer, on our current infrastructure in regards to the lagoon, water, and sewer lines. He worked up an engineering proposal that Mike distributed to each board member. Mike asked the members to look it over and bring any questions they may have to the December 23<sup>rd</sup> board meeting as Rodney planned on discussing it with the board at that meeting.

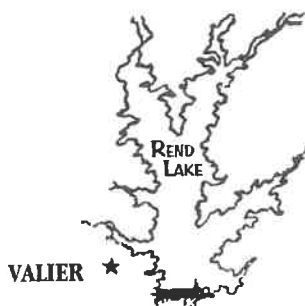
Chris Scroggins, the village treasurer, mentioned he had some credit card receipts turned in for paint and needed to know who to reimburse. It was for the painting of the street signs and Sue Vercellino indicated it was her credit card used.

Rob Blondi made a motion to approve the October 28, 2024 regular board meeting minutes. Second was given by Scott Dagner. Motion carried. All yeas.

Chris Scroggins presented the financial reports. Chris went over the claims report of bills from October 29 to December 2, 2024 and financial statements as of November 30, 2024. A motion was made by Rob Blondi to accept these reports and pay the claims. Second was given by Gale Burzynski. Motion carried. All yeas.

Under committee reports, Mike Moyers presented the fire department report. They had 3 calls: 1 illegal burn and 2 medical emergency calls.

Gale Burzynski made a motion to accept the committee reports. Rob Blondi seconded the motion. Motion carried. All yeas.



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Under old business, Mike reminded the board that the zoning committee would be holding a public hearing to rezone the property at 121 East Main St. on Sunday, December 2, 2024 at 2:00pm on behalf of the owner's application for this.

Kelly Bate was not in attendance at the meeting so the disposition of the fence at the American Legion Park was tabled until she could report on what she found out.

Mike stated the lights at the American Legion Park were working now. He is waiting on a bill from Lloyd's Electric on the cost. They are trying to see if we have enough usage that Ameren will help pay for this.

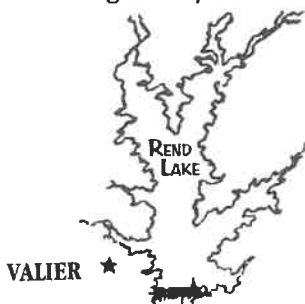
Mike mentioned that we had an illegal burn and wants to start issuing fines for this. The village ordinance and the Illinois ordinances were reviewed. It was agreed that the fire chief could write the tickets. 1<sup>st</sup> offense would be \$250.00 and 2<sup>nd</sup> offense would be \$500.00.

Under new business, Mike mentioned the village Christmas party would be on Tuesday, December 10 at 6:00pm for village staff, board members and fireman.

Ordinance 24-454 - Implementing a Non-Home Rule Municipal Retailers' Occupation Tax and Municipal Service Occupation Tax was proposed of 1% for the village effective July 1, 2025. We recently passed a grocery sales tax of 1% as well. Scott Dagner made a motion to implement this tax and Rob Blondi seconded the motion. Motion carried. All yeas.

Ordinance 24-455 – Regulating Public Camping Within Corporate Boundaries was proposed. This is a new law that the Illinois Municipal League (IML) recommended municipalities pass to help control the homeless population. Gale Burzynski made a motion to pass this and Scott Dagner seconded the motion. Motion carried. All yeas.

Chris Scroggins presented Ordinance 24-456 – Tax Levy for the Tax Year 2024 for the Village of Valier. After some discussion, Scott Dagner made a motion to accept this proposal and pass it. Second was given by Rob Blondi. Motion carried. All yeas.



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Mike mentioned that he was at the fire department and noticed some of the block foundation crumbling. There is nothing holding the bricks up over the I-beam of the doors. The doors are not closing well and the south wall is leaning out. He talked to Mike Williams about fixing it and it should not be more than \$25,000, otherwise we would have to bid the job out. Scott Dagner made a motion to do what was necessary to fix it. Gale Burzynski seconded the motion. Motion carried. All yeas.

Mike would like to change the water clerk hours effective January 1, 2025 from 7:00am to 4:00pm from 8:00am to 5:00pm. Rob Blondi made a motion to do this. Gale Burzynski seconded the motion. Motion carried. All yeas.

At 7:42pm, Gale Burzynski made a motion to go into executive session to discuss the salary schedule for 2025 and bonuses for 2024. Seconded was given by Rob Blondi. Motion carried. All yeas.

Motion to return out of executive session was made by Gale Burzynski at 7:58pm. Second was given by Rob Blondi. Motion Carried. All Yeas.

A motion to adjourn was made by Rob Blondi. Gale Burzynski seconded the motion. Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 7:59pm.



Gina Shurtz, Village Clerk

