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August 21, 2023

The regular scheduled monthly board meeting was held on Monday, August 21, 2023 at 10:00am. The meeting was held in the small conference room at the village hall. Village president, Joe Burgess called the meeting to order at 10:00am.

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

Village President, Joe Burgess opened the meeting up with correspondence since several residents were in attendance. Many of them voiced their concern about the village discontinuing the mosquito abatement program. After much deliberation back and forth with the board members, the board decided to vote on the matter. Kelly Bate made a motion to start the mosquito abatement program back up for the 2 year option with a cost of \$2,300 for the rest of 2023 and \$3,300 for 2024. Total would be \$5,600. Dave Kent seconded the motion. The motion carried by a vote of 3-1.

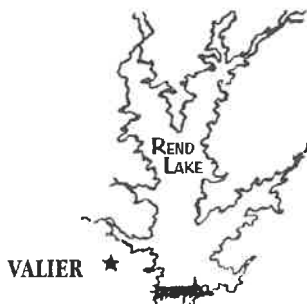
Kelly Bate made a motion to approve the July 17, 2023 regular scheduled board meeting minutes and second was given by Gale Burzynski. Motion carried. All yeas.

The village treasurer, Chris Scroggins presented a claims report of bills from July 18<sup>th</sup> to August 17, 2023. Chris is still working on getting things switched from the prior accounting system to the new system so no financial report was available. He hoped to have to us by next month's meeting. Motion was made by Kelly Bate to accept the claims report of bills. Second was given by Mike Moyers. Motion carried. All yeas.

Committee reports were given at this time. Joe reported the fire department had 8 calls in the past month: 2 Mabis box alarms, 2 mutual aids, 2 landing zones in town, 1 traffic accident out of town and 1 medical emergency – lift assist. Joe also reported that the AED machine was in for the fire truck.

Joe reported for the water/sewer department. They are continuing to do ditch work to alleviate standing water issues.

Under street and alley Joe stated they had completed grading the road sides in town in preparation for



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the oil and chip project.

The animal control report from Derek Parvin was presented for the past month. There were 2 calls from Central Dispatch, 3 private calls, 0 social media outreach and 7 cats were taken to Franklin County Animal Control.

The police report was presented. There were 32 incidents from July 16<sup>th</sup> to August 14<sup>th</sup>. An ordinance violation of \$300 was issued for a tow due to no valid driver's license.

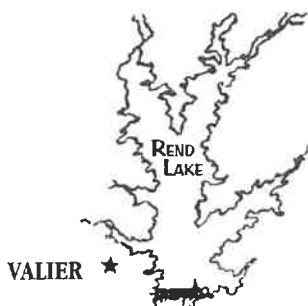
Mike Moyers made a motion to accept the committee reports. Gale Burzynski seconded the motion, Motion carried. All yeas.

Under old business, Joe asked the playground committee for an update on the playground equipment. Gina Shurtz spoke on behalf of the Valier Women's Club that the pea gravel had been installed under the new playground set and 2 toddler swings were purchased for the Totland Park. The Valier Women's Club is going to purchase another regular swing by the two toddler swings and replace some boards on the teeter totters, bench and paint when it cools off. They also plan on doing various fundraising projects to help pay for the security system the village decides to purchase.

Joe stated that with the Motor Fuel Tax fund for 2023 the village was widening the road at the intersection of Jefferson St and the Overhead Bridge Road. He also stated the oil and chip project would be starting soon.

Under new business, Joe opened a bid for 1 lot for sale at 110 W. Johnson St. that the village owned and had posted for bids. Sherri Mundt at 102 W. Johnson was the sole bidder for the property at \$1,201.01. Gale Burzynski made a motion to accept this bid for the property and Kelly Bate seconded the motion. Motion carried. All yeas.

Joe spoke to the board about several stray cats in the village. He said that Derek Parvin, the animal control officer had taken 7 cats to Franklin County Animal Control but they were full and could not take anymore at this time



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Under other, the board discussed the camera security system. Mike Moyers said he was looking into the Defender camera system. 16 cameras would cost \$399 and a 150 ft. roll of wire was \$39. He was thinking we should have 16 cameras at the community building and 8 at the fire department/public works building. He still needs to figure out how much wire is needed and Joe had not heard back from Brian Lloyd Electric yet on when he could install and the cost. They said they would both try to have more information at the next meeting.

Joe also mentioned that we needed to pass a salary resolution for the village clerk position and would present this at the next meeting.

Motion to adjourn was made by Kelly Bate. Gale Burzynski seconded the motion. Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 11:19 am.



Gina Shurtz, Village Clerk

