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August 26, 2024

The regular scheduled monthly board meeting was held on Monday, August 26, 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 and asked Gale Burzynski to open with a word of prayer.

Roll Call was as follows: Kelly Bate, present; Rob Blondi, present until 7:30pm; Joe Burgess, absent; Gale Burzynski, present; Scott Dagner, absent; Brian Miner, present: Mike Moyers, present and village treasurer, Chris Scroggins, present.

Rob Blondi made a motion to approve the July 22, 2024 regular board meeting minutes. Second was given by Kelly Bate. Motion carried. All yeas.

There was no correspondence this month.

Chris Scroggins presented the claims report of bills from July 23 to August 26, 2024 and financial statements as of July 31, 2024. A motion was made by Kelly Bate 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 5 calls: 1 auto aid to Sesser, 1 mutual aid given on a structure fire, 1 mutual aid given at Rend Lake, 1 illegal burn and 1 power line down.

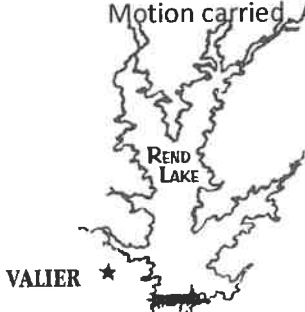
Mike stated the police had not been working due to schedule conflicts and Scott and him were planning to meet with the chief of police, Johnathan Ashlock on Wednesday, August 28th.

Mike reported for the street department. They have replaced 2 tiles, 1 on Burley St. and 1 on Lincoln St. Mike was planning on meeting with Frontier on several telephone poles leaning and they did not show up so he will reach out again.

On the water/sewer department, Mike reported that we had no water breaks this past month.

Mike also reported that Franklin County animal control had been in town,

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



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Under old business, Mike had asked the board to consider a salary/compensation for the next village president that is elected. Since some members were not in attendance, he decided to table this to the next meeting.

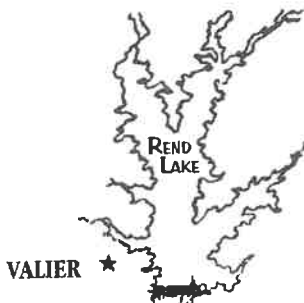
Mike had previously presented an estimate of a trench box for the safety of the village workers when working on water and sewer line for \$4,695.00. After seeing the size of it, he decided it would be too small to work in and we need a larger one. He presented an estimate from United Rentals for a 6 foot by 8 foot with a leg kit for \$9,541.57. Brian Miner made a motion to purchase this. Kelly Bate seconded the motion. Motion carried. All yeas.

Under new business, Mike wanted the board's input on how to give notice to residents in the area that do not respond to a petition to rezone commercial property to residential property. He suggested we post a notice at the village hall, village website and the village bulletin board at the post office given them 30 days to object. Gale Burzynski made a motion to move forward with that idea. Kelly Bate seconded the motion. The motion carried. All yeas.

Mike and the board discussed code violations on a resident blocking an alley and vegetation growing on the right of ways. It was agreed to send the resident a letter to remove them and proceed with fines on other code violations.

Chris Scroggins presented Budget and Appropriation Ordinance 24-450 for the fiscal year beginning May 1, 2024 and ending April 30, 2025. Brian Miner made a motion to accept this. Gale Burzynski seconded the motion. Motion carried. All yeas.

It was brought to Mike's attention that the house and property on 104 W. Flora that was sold to the new owners in Valier in July 2024 received the 2023 property tax bill for the property. He contacted the village attorney about this. He stated when the quit claim deed was done with the former owner to the village the property taxes were not included and advised that the village split the tax bill with the new owner. Gale Burzynski made a motion to do this. Kelly Bate seconded the motion. Motion carried. All yeas.



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At this time Mike discussed some changes he would like to make with code enforcement in the village. He appointed Brian Miner along with Kelly Bate to be the code enforcement officers and give them the authority to write tickets on violations.

A motion to adjourn was made by Brian Miner. Kelly Bate seconded the motion. Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 8:28pm.

Gina Shurtz, Village Clerk

