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October 28, 2024

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The regular scheduled monthly board meeting was held on Monday, October 28, 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 opened with a word of prayer.

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

Kelly Bate made a motion to approve the September 23, 2024 regular board meeting minutes. Second was given by Rob Blondi. Motion carried. All yeas.

Under correspondence, Mike received a letter from the village attorney, Jonathan Cantrell that his rates for legal services were going up starting January 1, 2025 from \$175 per hour to \$200 per hour. His associate, Tyler Owens would still be at the \$175 per hour rate.

Chris Scroggins presented the financial reports. He stated the audit was going well. He was still working on getting the former treasurer's Quickbooks software charges cancelled from our credit card. He also stated the water clerk and him would look at changing the water/sewer bill software next May at the beginning of the fiscal year. Chris went over the claims report of bills from September 24 to October 28, 2024 and financial statements as of September 30, 2024. A motion was made by Gale Burzynski to accept these reports and pay the claims. Second was given by Kelly Bate. Motion carried. All yeas.

Under committee reports, Mike Moyers presented the fire department report. They had 6 calls: 2 mutual aid given and 4 medical emergency lift assists. Mike also stated the booster reel was in for the fire department.

On the water/sewer department, Mike reported that the work on the water line on St Highway 148 to bore under it to shore it up was done. He has a call into the village engineer, Rodney Potts to have a meeting to discuss moving forward on water/sewer and lagoon work in the village and to schedule the water tower inspection on the tower north of Valier. He asked board members to commit to attend as well if they were available once he had a date set. Those in attendance said they would try to make it.



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Mike reported for the street department. IDOT had rock and chipped 16 streets and some sidewalks had been replaced.

Mike reported from animal control that certain dogs that had been picked up several times would not be returned to the home if they were called out again on them.

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

Under old business, Mike stated the attorney had provided us procedural instructions on rezoning 121 East Main and we would be proceeding with this to help the property owners get this done.

Under new business, Mike stated he would like to move the police station when feasible to the village hall as they need internet service for their equipment and it would provide a larger space for them. Kelly Bate made a motion to do this and Gale Burzynski seconded the motion. Motion carried. All yeas.

Mike also stated that the fence at the American Legion Park was in bad shape and he asked what the board would like to do with it as far as fixing it or replacing it. After some discussion, Kelly Bate said she would look into seeing about fixing it or replacing it and the cost involved. She will report back at the next meeting.

Mike asked the board if he could hire someone to help him with installing the rest of the cameras at the fire department and city hall. The board was in agreement to do this.

Mike also stated that Margaret Gulley was planning on restoring the Standard sign where the gas station use to be on the corner of Main St. and Jefferson St. She would like the village lighting to be able to be hooked up to it. The board was in agreement to do this if feasible.

A motion to adjourn was made by Rob Blondi. Kelly Bate seconded the motion. Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 7:43pm.

Gina Shurtz, Village Clerk

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