

Minutes of the Village Board of Waterman held Tuesday, August 11, 2020

The meeting was called to order at 6:31 p.m.

Roll Call: Johanningsmeier, Radtke, Pearson, Beach, Feitlich, w/ Fenske arriving @ 7:30 & Data absent

Approve Agenda: Trustee Johanningsmeier requested to add "Discuss update of Streets & Alleys Committee Meeting." Trustee Feitlich motioned to approve the agenda as amended. Trustee Radtke 2nd. Roll call vote passed 4/0.

Approve Minutes: Trustee Radtke motioned to approve the minutes of the July 14, 2020 Regular Meeting. Trustee Johanningsmeier 2nd. Roll call vote passed 4/0 w/President Beach voting and Trustee Pearson abstaining.

Accept Council Approval Reports: Trustee Radtke motioned to accept the Council Approval Reports as presented. Trustee Feitlich 2nd. Roll call vote passed 4/0.

Accept Petty Cash Report: Trustee Radtke motioned to approve the petty cash report as presented. Trustee Feitlich 2nd. Roll call vote passed 4/0.

Accept Treasurer's Funds Report: Trustee Feitlich motioned to approve the treasurer's fund report as presented. Trustee Radtke 2nd. Roll call vote passed 4/0.

Mayor's Report

Due to the recent storms we had 12 homes with no power and several trees down. The Aurora Sportman's Club offered to lend backup generators if needed.

The first round of utility shut offs happened today. There were only a handful that needed to be shut off.

Waterman is now up the "11-15" category of Covid-19 cases.

Correspondence –

We received a donation request from the DCEDC.

Staff Reports

Chief Cicci reported there has been significant damage at Muingan Park recently which included broken picnic tables and damaged trees.

Request for Consideration -

Pete Robinson announced his retirement and the closing of the Waterman Western Railroad. He would like to do one last holiday display through the Lions Park for cars to drive through.

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Committee Reports

Water & Sewer –Pearson

Clerk Pool provided an update on the utility account delinquencies. There was approximately 52k in A/R and approximately half was received from the delinquent notices that were sent. We had several residents set up payment plans, and four properties got the water shut off.

Streets & Alleys – Johanningsmeier

DeKalb County would like to transfer ownership of Waterman Rd. to the appropriate village and/or townships affected. The township is not interested, so at this point the subject is being tabled.

Public Safety – Fenske - Nothing

Buildings, Grounds, and Equipment – Data – Nothing

Finance & Personnel – Tony Feitlich –

Trustee Johanningsmeier requested funds for street/sidewalk repairs. Trustee Feitlich advised he would like to hold off until we have a better grasp on the cost of the audits, retirement reimbursements and the loss of tax revenue from the effects of Covid-19.

Economic Development – Tony Feitlich – Nothing

Zoning – Sarah Radtke

Trustee Johanningsmeier discussed the need for the Village to create an ordinance requiring businesses to obtain permits to work in village limits; also limit work that can be done. Trustee Radtke and Attorney Neveu will research.

Planning Commission: – John Ecker

Regional Planning Commission – Linda Swenson - Nothing

Public comment – Nothing

Old Business

Trustee Johanningsmeier motioned to approve Conserv FS annexation. Trustee Radtke 2nd. Roll call vote passed 4/0.

Trustee Feitlich has reached out to GW&A regarding the audit status.

Trustee Radtke spoke regarding the vacant lot on Rt. 30. She suggested splitting the parcels and keeping a portion for such use as farmers markets, food truck vendors and tree sales. We will have to look into local ordinances like lot size requirements and required surveys.

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New Business

Trustee Feitlich motioned to approve the Rt. 30 loan improvement loan payment in the amount of \$14,508.25. Trustee Johanningsmeier 2nd. Roll call vote 5/0.

The Village is working on a TIF project to make local business owners aware of the funds available to make improvements to their properties.

There has been interest from a local food truck vendor to operate out of the Rt. 30 vacant lot. The Village is open to the idea but would need to create an ordinance.

Executive Session - Nothing

Adjournment

Having no further business to conduct, the meeting was adjourned at 7:53 p.m. The next regular meeting will be held Tuesday, September 15, 2020 at 6:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Abigail Pool

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October 13, 2020

Approved