

**Village of Lovington
Regular Board Meeting
January 10, 2022
6:00 p.m.
Facial Masks Required If Not Fully Vaccinated**

Call to order

Pledge of Allegiance

Guests:

Minutes and action of Village Clerk

Discussion and action on Dec. 2021 invoices

Discussion and action on Dec.13, 2021 Regular Meeting minutes

Reminder to do employee evaluations so that raises can be determined

Review annual audit

Treasurer's Report

Discussion and action Dec. 2021 treasurer's report

Old Business

Install new board member Brittany Bates

Closed Session

Department Reports

Presidents Report

1. Report and action if needed

Water and Sewer Report

1. Report and action if needed

Parks and Special Projects

1. Report and action if needed

Police

1. Report and action if needed

Streets and Alleys

1. Report and action if needed

Buildings and Grounds

1. Report and action if needed

Insurance

Report and action on any insurance needs

Adjournment

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Call to order: President Roger Walker called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance: Walker led the pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call found the following trustees to be present: Dennis Garmon, Todd Hale, Curt Clough, Mike Young and April Daily. President Roger Walker and Clerk Alma Fair were also present.

Guests: Pam Anklam, John Renfro, Tyler Dixon & Tom Fleming

Anklam – spoke on behalf of Mary Beth Massey and Jane Franklin they are requesting a place to put a box for non-perishable food for Lovington residence to pick up what is needed – she thought that a good place to put the box would be on the Village Garden across from the Village Hall (Police Department). Massey has obtained a grant from the USDA for this box. Arthur and Villa Grove currently have one in place. All they are asking of the Village is a place to locate the box.

A Motion was made by Daily and seconded by Clough to allow the placement of the box at the Village Garden.

YEA: Garmon, Hale, Clough, Daily, Young

No: None

MOTION CARRIED

Anklam – a neighbor is putting up another building on his property and although it is a commercial property there are around 11 some buildings on his property. She is requesting we relook at the zoning ordinance as to restrict the use of the property.

Tyler Dixon – asking again if they could have the gaming parlor open on Sunday's and also if they could sale alcohol on Sunday. He stated that other communities around do sale alcohol on Sundays. (Arthur & Bethany & Sullivan & Hammond)

Walker recommends that we have special meeting regarding the request.

Tom Fleming - requesting that the property that was Julie Kinert's beauty shop on the NE corner of State & Broadway, be changed to residential. He also asked if there is a tax break for a new business? Walker will need to check with our attorney regarding the request and told him that we do not have any TIF for tax breaks.

Minutes and action of Village Clerk

1. Discussion and action on December 2021 invoices

A Motion was made by Garmon and seconded by Young to accept the December 2021 invoices as presented.

YEA: Hale, Clough, Daily, Young, Garmon

No: None

MOTION CARRIED

2. Discussion and action on December 13, 2021 Regular Meeting minutes

A Motion was made by Daily and seconded by Garmon to accept the December 13, 2021 Regular Meeting minutes as presented.

YEA: Clough, Daily, Young, Garmon, Hale

No: None

MOTION CARRIED

3. Walker reminded those trustees that have employees under them to do employee evaluations so that raises can be determined at the next meeting.

4. Clerk Fair handed out the annual audit for the trustees to review

Treasurer's Report

1. Discussion and action on December 2021 treasurer's report

A Motion was made by Daily and seconded by Hale to accept the December 2021 treasurer's report.

YEA: Young, Garmon, Hale, Clough, Daily

No: None

MOTION CARRIED

Old Business: Brittney Bates wasn't able to attend and will be installed as the new trustee to replace the vacancy at the next meeting

New Business: None

Department Reports

Presidents Report – Roger Walker

Walker - This year is our 150 years and hopes that Bates will start some planning for our celebration.

Walker – Again recommends that we need to hire a part-time person. Chris Gillis is stretched thin with his water treatment tests. The fellows recommended Mike Peck for the winter months

A Motion was made by Garmon and seconded by Hale to hire Mike Peck for part-time for no more than 24 hours a week at the same wage as the last part-time employee for the winter months only.

YEA: Garmon, Hale, Clough, Daily

No: None

Abstain: Young

MOTION CARRIED

Walker we need to get the garbage trucks out of our alleys. The garbage trucks are making ruts in the alley and we can't afford to re-rock them all the time. Walker is going to put this on the agenda for next month - discuss getting the garbage trucks out of the alleys.

Water and Sewer Report – Todd Hale

Hale has met with Jeremy Doggett and went through the water & sewer plants with him. The following are some of the things that may need to be done or has been done:

1. The corner of the water plant is shifting. (May need to be tuckpointed)
2. PLC for the water plant is in and Doggett needs to meet with Farnsworth again.
3. Sewer plant - need to meet with IEPA
4. Hale recommended that they get a small trailer to put the tools needed for jobs - that way they don't have to load the truck each time just hook the trail to truck and go.
5. Splitter unit for climate control at the water plant is needed.
6. PLC with iPad combine – Hale to look at that.
7. Sewer plant burn pile needs to be moved closer to the road instead of at its current location. Also need to move the gate behind the burn pile. There was no objection from the trustees to moving the burn pile.
8. Welding company to be here this week at the sewer plant.
9. Has started with the Waverly reports.
10. The pond needs a slung permit which is around \$5,000. – Hale will have Doggett get estimates of the cost.
11. Doggett is finishing up his vacation this week from last year.

Park and Special Projects – none

Police – Dennis Garmon

Replaced battery in the second squad car. Squad car two's computer died so they are sharing a computer for now. He presented a quote from QNS for a new Toughbook for \$1740.14.

A Motion was made by Garmon and seconded by Hale to purchase the Panasonic Toughbook from QNS per the quote for \$1740.14.

YEA: Young, Garmon, Hale, Clough, Daily

No: None

MOTION CARRIED

Streets and Alleys – Curt Clough

Got the new tractor and ordered a hood guard for it at the cost of \$755. Don Jackson made counterweights for it at approximately \$400. Lester Mechling is loaning us a drag box for now to see how it does. Possibility of purchasing it from him.

Buildings and Grounds – April Daily

Any new hiring will need to be sent into the insurance and the new tractor as well.

Reported on the OSHA plan and it doesn't apply to us because we don't have 100 or more village employees.

Insurance – Mike Young

Nothing

Hale asked what we will be discussing regarding the liquor license – Walker stated that we would discuss if we what to change the liquor and gaming ordinance or not.

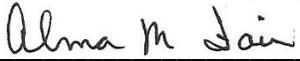
Adjournment

A Motion was made by Garmon to adjourn at 7:26 p.m.

YEA: all agreed

No: None

MOTION CARRIED



Alma M. Fair, Village Clerk

February 14, 2022

Date Approved