

Village of Lovington
Regular Board Meeting
January 8, 2024 @6:00 p.m.

Call to order

Pledge of Allegiance

Guests:

- **Minutes and action of Village Clerk.**
 - Discussion and Action on Dec 2023 Invoices
 - Discussion and Action on Dec 11, 2023, Regular Meeting Minutes
 - Approval of Nov 13, 2023 Closed Session Minutes
 - Reminder to do employee evaluations before the February meeting – to determine raises
 - Provide Clerk with any changes you want for the Appropriation/Budget for 2024-2025 before February meeting
- **Treasurer's Report**
 - Discussion and Action Dec 2023 treasurer's report
- **Old Business**
 - Discussion and Action on Gas and Electric Ordinances as presented last month
 - Review of Ordinance Book Changes after Clerk discussed with Frank H from the Codification company
 - Discussion and Action on Lead Remediation project status
 - Discussion and Action on Well Cleanup project status
- **New Business**
- **Closed Session**
 - Meeting of "The Mayor & Commissioners of a municipality organized under article 4 of the Municipal Code held to discuss matters, which relate solely to exercise their executive or administrative responsibilities."
5 ILCS 120/2 Sec.2 (c) (1) The appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of
Specific employees
 - 5 ILCS 120/2 Sec.2 (c) (2) Collective negotiating matters between the public body and its employees or their representatives, or deliberations concerning salary schedules for one or more classes of employees.
- **Return from Closed Session**
 - Discussion and Action on Closed Session
- **Department Reports**
 - **Water and Sewer Report**
 - Report and action if needed
 - **Parks and Special Projects**
 - Report and action if needed
 - **Police**
 - Report and action if needed
 - **Streets and Alleys**
 - Report and action if needed
 - **Buildings and Grounds**
 - Report and action if needed
 - **Insurance**
 - Report and action on any insurance needs
 - **Presidents Report**
 - Report and action if needed
- **Adjournment**

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Call to order: President Dennis Garmon called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance: Garmon led the pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call found the following trustees to be present: Keith Stanberry, Mike Young, Brittany Bates, Andrea Wardrip and Todd Hale. Also, present was President Dennis Garmon and Deputy Clerk Donyell Morgan. Clerk Alma Fair was absent. April Daily arrived at 6:20 PM

Guests: Steve Miller, Jeremy Doggett & Chris Gillis

Steve Miller was there to request not to have to have garbage pickup – but since he didn't have a business in Lovington his request was denied.

Jeremy Doggett & Chris Cillis were there at the request of the mayor to answer questions that the board might have for them.

Minutes and action of Village Clerk

1. Discussion and action on the December 2023 invoices

A Motion was made by Bates and seconded by Hale to accept the December 2023 invoices as presented.

YEA: Bates, Daily, Stanberry, Hale, Young, Wardrip

No: None

MOTION CARRIED

2. Discussion and action on December 11, 2023, Regular Meeting minutes

A Motion was made by Young and seconded by Stanberry to approve the December 11, 2023, Regular Meeting minutes as presented.

YEA: Wardrip, Daily, Stanberry, Hale, Young, Bates

No: None

MOTION CARRIED

3. Approval of November 13, 2023, Closed Session Minutes

A Motion was made by Wardrip and seconded by Young to approve the November 13, 2023, closed session minutes as presented.

YEA: Bates, Wardrip, Daily, Stanberry, Hale, Young

No: None

MOTION CARRIED

4. A reminder to the trustees to have the employee evaluations done before the February meeting to determine raises.

5. Ask that any changes to the Appropriation/Budget for 2024-2025 should be given to Clerk Fair before the February meeting.

Treasurer's Report

1. Discussion and action December 2023 treasurer's report

A Motion was made by Young and seconded by Hale to accept December 2023 treasurer's report.

YEA: Stanberry, Hale, Bates, Wardrip, Daily, Young

No: None

MOTION CARRIED

Old Business:

1. Review of Ordinance Book Changes after Clerk discussed with Frank H from the Codification Company.

2. Discussion and Action on Gas and Electric Ordinances as presented last month.

Table again to next month on both 1. & 2.

3. Discussion and Action on Lead Remediation project status Discussion and action on Well Cleanup project status

New Business:

Closed Session:

5 ILCS 120/2 Sec.2 (c) (1) The appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of Specific employees

A Motion was made by Hale and seconded by Young to go into closed session at 7:20 PM for the purpose of the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of Specific employees.

YEA: Bates, Stanberry, Daily, Wardrip, Young, Hale

No: None

MOTION CARRIED

Return to Open Session

A Motion was made by Hale and seconded by Young to return to open session at 7:25 pm.

All voted yea.

MOTION CARRIED

And possibly

5 ILCS 120/2 Sec.2 (c) (2) Collective negotiating matters between the public body and its employees or their representatives, or deliberations concerning salary schedules for one or more classes of employees.

Not necessarily at this time.

Department Reports

Water & Sewer Report – Todd Hale

1. Report and action if needed

Nothing to report.

Park and Special Projects – Brittany Bates

1. Report and action if needed

Gazebo should be ready in 3 weeks. The ground where it is to be located should be prepared before then. The area wide garage sale was set for May 24 & 25. Will be getting quotes for the Junefest kids play equipment.

Police – Keith Stanberry

1. Report and action if needed

Update on placing County antenna on the water tower. Possible more part-time police officers to be hired. ATV's on streets have been an issue. Swisher issued 2 ordinance violations.

Streets and Alleys – Mike Young

1. Report and action if needed

Is looking into financing through Vemeer or go elsewhere for a cheaper rate on the Hydrovac.

Buildings and Grounds – April Daily

1. Report and action if needed

Chad Watkins will be giving us another quote for closing in the office area. The water drain on the corner of State & Logan needs to be repaired. Update on the hitch rack for the Amish. We need to pour some concrete as soon as it is warmer to do it.

Insurance – Andrea Wardrip

1. Report and action if needed

Nothing to report.

Presidents Report – Dennis Garmon

1. Report and action if needed

Do we need an official Facebook page for the Village. For announcements and no one can comment on it. Reported on USDA loan – regarding to pay the loan off. To report or decide on it next month.

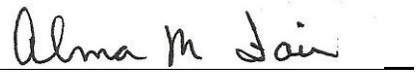
Adjournment

A Motion was made Young to adjourn at 8:12 p.m.

YEA: all agreed

No: None

MOTION CARRIED

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Alma M. Fair". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above a horizontal line.

Donyell Morgan, Deputy Village Clerk
& Alma Fair Clerk on hearing the recording

February 12, 2024

Date Approved