

# **Village of Ashland Meeting Minutes**

11-09-2022

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The meeting was called to order by President Mau at 6:00 PM with roll call taken with all members present. Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Invocation was presented by David McHenry.

Minutes of the previous meeting were reviewed. Motion to accept the minutes by Kim Scholes, seconded by Nathan Grieme. Motion carried by roll call vote.

Treasurer Vanessa Doellman presented the treasurer's report. She noted fund 1103 (Water Works Repairs and Maintenance) has a low balance of \$275.50. She recommends moving \$6000.00 from 1105 Misc Water to 1103 to cover. Motion was made by Nathan Grieme, seconded by Jacob Gardner to move the money as Vanessa requested. Motion carried by roll call vote.

Bills were presented with no changes. Motion by Brian Rennecker; seconded by Kim Scholes to accept the bills as presented. Motion carried by roll call vote.

Will Harris, Public Works Director presented his monthly report. He needs to replace a chain saw and would like to get one at Henry's. He is looking at an Echo for \$1000.00/28". Brian Rennecker stated he should get a carbide chain. This will be put on the agenda at the December 2022 meeting. Tyler Lathom, Fire Chief presented his monthly report. Marty Fanning, Police Chief presented his monthly police report.

Prairie Skies Library project was submitted for final TIF approval. Total cost was \$9,645.55. After discussion, Nathan Grieme made a motion to approve with second by Richard Turner. Motion carried by roll call vote.

Tax Levy for FY 2023-2024 was presented for adoption. Motion by Nathan Grieme to approve, seconded by Jacob Gardner. Motion carried by roll call vote.

Special Use permit by Joshua and MacKenzie Schlicht was presented to the board after gaining approval from the Zoning Board. They are requesting both upper and lower level apartments be used for residential use. Brian Rennecker made a motion to approve with second by Nathan Grieme. Motion carried by roll call vote.

Brian Rennecker made a motion to switch Item 16 to 15 on the agenda. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

President Mau talked to Eric Snedeker, agent for ICRMT Insurance numerous times and he recommends that the Village of Ashland cover the fire house building. Last year with the building on it the insurance was \$55,658.00. Renewal this year of ICRMT Insurance coverage for the Village came in at \$49,596.00. This is \$6,062.00 savings with the removal of the fire department vehicles. If we would decide to not cover the building, then Eric Snedeker would insist that the Village be listed as a "loss payee" on the policy from the Fire Protection District. That means that if the building would be destroyed for any reason the check would come to the Village and not the Fire Protection District. The building is insured for \$1,400,000.00; this does not cover any contents. It does include full replacement cost. The Fire Protection district will still have to have liability coverage. The Village will be listed as an additional insured on the liability. Tyler Lathom also

mentioned that there is a clause that states that if the building was destroyed, whoever received the insurance check would rebuild at its current location. Motion by Nancy Kyrouac to approve the ICRMT premium for the 2022-2023 year with second by Richard Turner. Motion carried by roll call vote.

Intergovernmental Lease Agreement with the Ashland Fire District was presented. After review, Nathan Grieme made a motion to approve with second by Jacob Gardner. Motion carried by roll call vote.

The electrical for the office needs to be updated with more outlets and a new base board heater. The board approved a budget of up to \$1000.00 to upgrade. Motion by Nathan Grieme, seconded by Jacob Gardner. Motion carried by roll call vote.

President Mau distributed petitions to the three Trustees whose seats will be up for election.

President Mau mentioned that the Halloween party was a success with 250 hotdogs used. Even though the weather did not hold out for a parade, it was well attended by the community.

David Hays from Benton and Associates has filed the Environmental Record Review to DECO in regards to our Grant.

Paula Chatfield has been working hard to get any grant possible for a pickle ball court.

Motion by Nathan Grieme, seconded by Brian Rennecker to leave regular session at 6:51pm and go into Executive session for discussion of personnel.

Motion to come back in to regular session by Jacob Gardner at 6:55pm, seconded by Nancy Kyrouac.

Motion to approve Christmas bonuses and hams by Nancy Kyrouac, seconded by Jacob Gardner. Motion carried by roll call vote.

Motion to adjourn by Brian Rennecker, seconded by Jacob Gardner at 6:56pm.

Respectfully submitted

Pamela Gardner, Clerk