# Village of Ashland

# Meeting Minutes

09-14-2022

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.

Minutes of the previous meeting were reviewed. Motion to accept the minutes by Jacob Gardner; seconded by Nancy Kyrouac. Motion carried by roll call vote.

President Mau welcomed Tyler Trissel for his work doing a special project for the village in order to obtain his Eagle Scout merit badge, which he received at the end of August 2022. He did a spreadsheet with GPS coordinates of each street sign, location, condition, etc. How many and location of any missing signs. Richards Street signs need to be added at some point. He presented his project to the board with a CD.

Treasurer Vanessa Doellman presented the treasurer’s report. We will be receiving the last of the property taxes. A general fund – park expense 114 has a negative balance of (-$2319.55). She recommends moving $6000 from Misc. 105 .to Parks 114. Motion by Nathan Grieme, seconded by Jacob Gardner to accept the treasurer’s report with the recommendations by Vanessa Doellman. Motion carried by roll call vote.

Bills were presented with no changes. Motion by Nathan Grieme, seconded by Brian Rennecker to accept the bills as presented. Motion carried by roll call vote.

Will Harris, Public Works Director presented his monthly report. Tyler Lathom, Fire Chief presented his monthly report. He mentioned they would be having a pork chop drive thru on Saturday, 9/17/22. Marty Fanning, Police Chief presented his monthly police report.

Cass Rural Water contract was presented and also Ordinance 2022-148 was presented for approval which will revise the water contract. After much discussion a motion by Nathan Grieme, seconded by Richard Turner to approve. Roll call – Nathan Grieme, yes; Brian Rennecker, no; Jacob Gardner, yes; Richard Turner, yes; Nancy Kyrouac, abstained; Kim Scholes, yes. Motion carried by 4 ayes; 1 nays and 1 abstain.

NEU/ARPA funds – It was decided to table the water meter upgrades at this time and not go to the digital meters. The cost is $260 per meter and $1.00 per month per meter. It was discussed to possibly use the funds for a new blower at the sewer plant. No decision was made.

Zoning Board of Appeals met regarding the variance requested by Clint and Jennifer Fanning on the property they purchased. Recommendations by the zoning board to approve with 10 ft. setbacks. Motion by Brian Rennecker, seconded by Jacob Gardner to approve. Motion carried by roll call vote.

President Mau ask the board to approve a budget to purchase a Santa Suit. Budget approved up to $700. Motion to approve by Nathan Grieme, seconded by Richard Turner. Motion carried by roll call vote.

President Mau commented that the Circus in town was a great success.

Jimmy’s building on Yates street has a sale pending. President Mau ask the board how they feel about amending a portion of the zoning ordinance to allow for residential on the 1st floor. After much discussion it was decided to have Tom Veith draft a new ordinance which will create a special use permit on a case by case basis. There will be a special meeting next week on Wednesday, 9/21/2022.

There was discussion regarding the purchase of a new weather siren to be placed at The Little League ball diamond at the south end of town. After discussion, it was decided that the cost was too much. A bid was obtained from Global Tech out of Jacksonville IL for $26,015.96.

Tax levy will be in November. Vanessa will set up a meeting.

Motion to leave the regular meeting and enter into executive session by Nancy Kyrouac, seconded by Nathan Grieme to discuss personnel. Motion carried.

Motion to come back into regular session by Nancy Kyrouac, seconded by Nathan Grieme.

Motion by Nathan Grieme, seconded by Jacob Gardner to hire Tim Schmidt at a starting salary of $18.00 per hour. Motion carried by roll call vote.

Motion to adjourn by Nathan Grieme, seconded by Brian Rennecker. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 7:43pm

Pamela J. Gardner, Clerk

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