



Village of Ashland Meeting Minutes

10-12-2022

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

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

President Mau welcomed Eric Shangraw from GFL. The last time a price increase was done on garbage pickup was 4 years ago. Eric is requesting a \$2.00 price increase effective December 1, 2022. This will make the residential bill \$19.00 per month. Nathan Grieme made a motion to approve the \$2.00 price increase requested by GFL, seconded by Jacob Gardner. Motion carried by roll call vote.

Treasurer Vanessa Doellman presented the treasurer's report. She scheduled a finance committee meeting for Wednesday, 10/19/2022 at 6:00 p.m. Nathan Grieme made a motion to accept the treasurer's report as presented; seconded by Jacob Gardner. Motion carried by roll call vote.

Bills were presented with no changes. Motion by Brian Rennecker; seconded by Nathan Grieme, 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 and mentioned that the Fire District's next monthly meeting will be Tuesday, 10/18/2022 at 7:00 p.m. Marty Fanning, Police Chief presented his monthly police report.

Fire Department Contract was presented. One change noted by Tom Veith was to list the Village of Ashland as a co-insured. A new meter will be added to the fire house for domestic water usage. This will be read and billed each month. Water used to fill trucks and wash trucks will not be billed. The fire department will continue to use the Village's dumpster for trash pickup since the Village used the electric for the fuel pump. All proposed changes will be emailed to the Fire Department attorney.

Will Harris noted the water hydrant on Morgan Street is leaking and there is no valve. This will need to be replaced at a cost of approximately \$4,170.00. Instead of the cost of a line-stop, water will need to be shut off at a few residence location and they will be notified prior to this taking place. A boil order will be placed once water comes back on to these locations. Nathan Grieme made a motion to repair the hydrant on Morgan Street for \$4500.00 as presented; seconded by Jacob Gardner. Motion carried by roll call vote.

Ash trees at West Park need to be removed. President Mau had Turner Tree Service give an estimate to remove 2 Ash trees (one by the tennis courts and one by the swing set) for \$3,000.00. After discussion, it was decided to only remove the Ash tree by the tennis court. President Mau will get another estimate. The board approved the cost limit of \$2,000.00. Brian Rennecker made a motion to approve the removal of one ash tree for no more than \$2,000.00; seconded by Kim Scholes. Motion carried by roll call vote.

Reg Ankrom from Siemic Energy said the Ameren rates will be going down to less than 11.2. Once President Mau can lock in the new rate they will go into effect in March 2023.

President Mau announced the Halloween parade will be October 30, 2022. Line-up starts at 3:00 p.m. with parade starting at 3:30 p.m. Hot dogs, chips, drink and popcorn will be available at the firehouse. Marty Fanning, Jim French and Jim Birdsell will be dispersing treats for the kids. Everyone is encouraged to decorate their golf carts for the parade and participate with trunk 'r treat on Yates Street to the fire house..

The County will be having a used tire collection for Municipalities.

Nathan Grieme motioned to adjourn with second by Jacob Gardner. Meeting adjourned at 7:10 p.m.

Pamela J. Gardner, Clerk