

Village of Footville
Thursday, December 6, 2018

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees for the Village of Footville was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by the President, Gary Selck. Board Members present were: Ron Klusmeyer, Randy Baertschi, Jeramie Mielke, Rich Woodstock. Also, present: Clerk- Randi Mielke, Public Works- Joe North and Devin Clark; Residents- Hope Hoerler.

MINUTES: Approve minutes of the November 1, 2018 Board Meeting, November 1, 2018 Public Hearing and Special Meeting November 15, 2018. Motion-Mielke, second- Woodstock; carried unanimously.

VOUCHERS: Approve vouchers as presented. Motion- Woodstock, second-Klusmeyer; carried unanimously.

REPORTS: Approve Treasurer's, Water, Sheriff's and Public Works Reports. Motion-Woodstock, second-Mielke; carried unanimously.

LICENSES: 2 Operator License Applications were presented to the Board. Christine Ann Ratliff and Matthew Benash. Background checks were complete with no records, training certificates were submitted and licenses were paid for. A motion to approve the licenses were made by Woodstock, second- Klusmeyer; carried unanimously.

CITIZENS WISHING TO BE HEARD: None

SEWER ADJUSTMENT: The Board reviewed the application for a sewer adjustment for Ed and Danielle Harnack 423 N Gilbert. The Resident had 2 leaking toilet and a leaking faucet fixed. She stated on the application that they got the leak fixed after noticing that the bill continuing to rise each quarter. A Board member made comment that they should have looked into it sooner and should not have waited to fix the problem. A motion was made by Woodstock to deny the Sewer Credit, second- Klusmeyer; carried unanimously.

REQUEST FOR REIMBURSEMENT ON EARNEST MONEY PUT DOWN ON 117 CLOVER LANE: Sue Franklin is requesting from the Board to reimburse on earnest money put down for the 117 Clover Lane purchased last July. The earnest money would have been reimbursed normal upon gaining occupancy within a year from the sale of the lot. The owner started building the home in November of this year. A motion was made by Woodstock to deny reimbursement to the Owner, second- Mielke; carried unanimously.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO ALLOW THE BUILDING INSPECTOR TO CONTINUE PERMITS AND INSPECTIONS ON COMMERCIAL ELECTRICAL PERMITS: This item was presented last month and a motion was made but the motion died. The Clerk asked that the Board reconsider allowing the Building Inspector to continue the permits and inspections on commercial electrical permits. The clerk informed the Board it would be a loss in revenue if we let it go to the State and it is uncertain how long commercial builders would have to wait for permits and inspections if we allowed it to go to the State. A motion was made by Woodstock, second- Mielke; carried unanimously.

STATUS OF 121 JANESVILLE STREET: The Property owner was contacted by letter as a request of the Board, the property owner called the Village office and said that he had nothing at this time to update the Board on. The Board had a discussion on the upkeep of the property and discussed the ground. A motion was made by Woodstock to table the discussion and have the Clerk review the Meeting minutes in regard to the natural prairie, second- Baertschi; carried unanimously.

CAUCUS 2019 SPRING ELECTION DATE: The date of Caucus for 2019 spring election was set for Monday, January 7, 2019 at 7pm.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO REPLACE LANDLINE PHONES WITH CELLS PHONE: The Treasurer looked at the cost to replace the office landline phone and court phone with cellphones at

U.S. Cellular. The current monthly cost for the land lines is approximately \$145.00 The Cost would not be significantly reduced but would allow for the Court Clerk and Office to have the phone available to them during business hours. The Board was also advised that the Treasurer looked into e- fax services if the office need to continue having a fax service. The Treasurer was almost certain that she would no longer need the fax service. Fax services would cost approximately \$100 a year if it was needed. The Board had a discussion on whether the Sewer plant should also switch to cell service for the dialers. The Treasurer provided to the Board the amount for the 3 landlines at the Sewer plant at approximately \$70 per month and did not see a need to switch that service. The Board discussed the type of phones that would be purchased. A motion was made by Woodstock to table the cellphone discussion. Woodstock retracted his motion and made a motion to have the Treasurer look into getting a different brand of cellphone other than the choice that was presented, second- Mielke; carried unanimously.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION IN REGARDS TO SHARED REVENUE DHS PAYMENT: It was discovered that the DHS Medicaid payments that are issued to the Fire Department were not being issued back to the Village, these payments are to be reimbursed to the Village because they come off the Village's Shared Revenue. The Treasurer, President and Fire Department Secretary had a conference call with DHS where it was confirmed that the payment is issued to the Fire Departments and in turn a check should be issued to the Village. The Village had the option to switch the payment issuer through DHS. The President confirmed to have the issuer changed. The payment for this year will be signed by the Fire Department and issued to the Village. A motion was made by Baertschi to approve the changes and allow the Fire Department to sign the check over to the Village, second- Klusmeyer; carried unanimously.

OTHER ITEMS: The Clerk updated the Board in regards to the letter that was sent to CMG auto on the allowance amount of vehicle to be at the Business for repair. CMG auto has cleaned up the property. The Clerk informed the Board that she received an email from General code in regards to the code books being sold at a discounted rate, currently the Village will receive 2 code books and the clerk wanted to know if the Board thought there was any need for additional books. The Board asked whether or not the Public Works Department would use the books, the clerk stated that there would be an electronic version on the Code Books available online. The Board did not see a need to purchase additional books at this time.

ADJOURNMENT At 8:012 p.m., motion to adjourn the Meeting was made by Mielke, second- Klusmeyer; carried unanimously.

Submitted by:

Randi Mielke
Village Clerk