

VILLAGE OF MCLEAN

REGULAR BOARD MEETING

OCT 2, 2023

President Hammel called the regular meeting of the board to order at 7:00PM. ROLL CALL-Page, Loercher, VanDyke, Wille, Kirby, Gordon-all present. Also present: Greg Rutheford, Jennifer Denham, Sgt. Dylan Miller, Chief Belvry. Visitors: Diane Ludy, Sandy Sheldon, Sharon Leipold, Howard Ahlstrom, Stephanie Neumann, Tim Giesel, Sherri Hester, Jean Lane, JoAnn Ruppman, Helen Doty, Don Doty, Susam Cameron, Henry Dawdy, Amy Ummel, and Greg Ummel. Via Zoom: Mark McGrath, Chip Denham.

MONTHLY MINUTES- VanDyke-Motion to accept September minutes as presented. Wille-2nd. All ayes, motion carried.

MONTHLY BILLS: VanDyke-motion to approve monthly bills as presented. Gordon-2nd. All ayes, motion carried.

PUBLIC INPUT: Howard Ahlstrom, 501 Co Rd. What is the process of filing a complaint? Per Hammel, start with the Village Office as there are complaint forms available. Susan Cameron-Some streetlights around town are out, or obstructed by tree limbs and streets are dark. Susan offered to provide a list. Can be looked at by Public Works, and possible contact Ameren. Helen Doty, 417 W. Carlisle St. wanted to comment on how nice the uptown lines that were painted. Commends those who did it.

COMMITTEE REPORTS: Public Safety met prior to regular board meeting regarding noise ordinance. Will send changes to Mark for board to review at next months meeting.

POLICE: Per Chief, Sgt Miller attended a front-line training and graduated course. PFA/Safety Act- Trying to work with other departments to adjust. All officers have had training in new procedures. The Chief will provide a report every month beginning in November of the department's activities, at Hammel's request. Working with residents on junk and debris, and most have been receptive. The Chief would like to look at updating the nuisance ordinance. Sgt. Miller composed a list of out streetlights per the board's request last month. Still waiting on new Tahoe as ran into parts issues. The Chief will investigate additional bids for police station doors.

PUBLIC WORKS: Striping uptown was completed. Lift station pump quit; Village had spare pump to replace. Repaired 2 valves and impeller. Looking into costs and other possible options, previous pumps have had the same issues.

OFFICE: Per Jenny, EJ Water does not notify Village if a lien has been paid. Jenny did get one she had released from the county.

ARSENIC: Samples sent, no report back yet.

SOLAR PANNELS: Committee meeting scheduled for October 25th to meet with representative from company. Wille will let Jenny know of the time.

COMMUNITY GARDEN-Per Diane Ludy, can provide benefits and education to the community. CORE will provide preliminary information at the November meeting. Ludy asked if the board had any specific concerns, so they could make sure everything is addressed.

AWNING/SIDEWALK FOR MCLEAN HARWARE: Sidewalk has been torn out. To be re-poured on October 3rd.

WATER/SEWER RATES-Office investigating cost per gallon, will bring to next meeting.

EMPLOYEE HANDBOOK- Human Resources Committee would like to meet for any possible changes.

COMPANY EMAIL- Page is still looking at options to replace, currently through GoDaddy.com. Chief Belvry has applied for a .gov account. If granted, this comes with a rate drop for accounts.

SEWER INSPECTIONS-Ordinance 22-08-01, allows if occupant doesn't comply, Village can do a smoke test and charge occupant \$500, or disconnect service. 130 homes are still non-compliant. Per Mark, we could draft a letter to these residents, or possible use of door hangers to notify them once again. Wille-Motion to use existing door hangers Village currently has, and attach a drop-dead date of December 31st at 12PM along with consequences that those will take effect for those who do not comply. Gordon-2nd All ayes-motion carried.

PAYCORE PROGRAM- McLean County Debt Collection Agreement. VanDyke-Motion to approve Hammel's recommendation to sign debt collection agreement with PayCore to collect money owed to the Village. 2nd-Kirby. All ayes, motion carried.

CUMMINS GENERATOR MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT- Gordon-motion to sign planned maintenance agreement with Cummins for the 2 generators which is \$5936.89 for 3 years. Wille-2nd. All ayes, motion carried.

MUTUAL AID AGREEMENT-Agreement between Chenoa, Colfax, Danvers, Downs, Heyworth, Hudson, LeRoy, Lexington, McLean, and Stanford. If McLean officer assists another agency, McLean PD would pay willing officer, then submit to that municipality for reimbursement. Motion-VanDyke to send Mutual Aid Agreement to Mark McGrath for review. Page-2nd. All ayes, motion carried.

VARIANCE-113 W MORGAN STREET-Variance was approved by the Zoning Board. VanDyke-motion to approve set back for 113 W. Morgan Street. Kirby-2nd. Page, Loercher, VanDyke, Kirby-all ayes. Gordon and Wille abstain. Motion Carried.

HALLOWEEN HOURS- October 31st, 5-8PM

ANNIE MYERS LEASE-Village received letter from Myers requesting termination of current lease with Village effective October 1st, 2023, due to financial hardship, as well as requesting security deposit be returned. Motion-VanDyke to have Mark McGrath draft a document voiding the lease with the Village, and Village to retain the \$200.00 deposit in lieu of mowing. Cancellation of lease will be granted upon

signature of the document, with Myers being responsible for the cost of all legal fees. Gordon-2nd. All ayes, motion carried.

LIVE STREAM COST- Page collected cost information that would give the Village the ability to live-stream meetings. Equipment estimated at a one-time purchase cost of \$1397.00. Per Mark, could be recorded, and would need to be stored for 18 months. Wille suggests publicizing meetings on Zoom to see how much interest there is, and a possible QR Code for direct access to the Zoom. Office can ask EJ Water to add to the water bill, as well as email and text alerts for citizens. Page will check into microphones that can be used with Village Polycom.

LISTING AGREEMENT WITH BILL EMBRY- VanDyke-motion to authorize Hammel to sign IL Realtors Disclosure-Dual Agency Agreement for Henderson Weir Agency. Bloomington and Peoria Realtors Listing. Loercher-2nd. All ayes, motion carried.

OLD WATER TOWER-Kirby obtained quote from Clifford Litwiller for removal of old water tower for \$33,800. Will have to verify if this is prevailing wage. CORE of McLean was given 90 days to obtain information on repainting. CORE does have 2-3 quotes for inspections, as well as an artist quote. They can provide this information at the November meeting, will be placed on the agenda. CORE asked if there was a strong feeling one way or another about keeping or removing the tower. The board said they can obtain appraisal of the tower if the CORE was interested in purchasing.

Gordon-Motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:49PM. VanDyke-2nd. All ayes, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted by,

Ashley Billington

Village Clerk