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## VILLAGE OF MCLEAN

## **REGULAR BOARD MEETING**

## **FEBRUARY 1, 2021**

President Hammel called the regular board meeting to order at 7:00pm. ROLL CALL-VanDyke, Webster, Belmar and Billington via Zoom. Breakville and Shifflet in-person. Treasurer Karen Williams and Greg Rutherford in-person. Chief Chris Lane and Attorney Mark McGrath via Zoom. Visitors-Fire Chief Eric Fulk, Helen Doty, Eric Smith, Brenda McCallister, Warren Ribley and Jeff Torricelli via Zoom. Reggie Spaulding in-person.

This meeting is being recorded for the open meetings act.

Motion by Breakville 2nd Shifflet to approve January 4, 2021 minutes as amended. ROLL CALL-Webster, Breakville, Belmar, Shifflet, Billington and VanDyke. All ayes, motion carried.

Motion by VanDyke 2nd Shifflet to accept bills as presented. ROLL CALL-Belmar, Shifflet, Billington, VanDyke, Webster and Breakville. All ayes, motion carried. Discussion on final bill from IVC for the Park Pavilion and Rutherford stated there were three concerns. 1.Cedar posts and edges are not stained. 2. Corner blocks are missing. 3. Around the large pillars there is exposed OSB. Seeman told Rutherford that theses things would get taken care of. Webster would like something in writing from Seeman on when these things will be done.

PUBLIC INPUT-Reggie Spaulding asked about the Animal Ordinance. He stated some people are letting their dogs do their business in his yard and wondered what he could do. McGrath stated he could do some research on this if needed. Webster stated that it was in an Ordinance from where she used to live but wasn't sure about here. She stated she would like McGrath to add something to our Ordinance and have it at the March meeting. It should be common courtesy for people to pick up after their dog. Spaulding also asked about trailer parking. Fulk stated that the equipment has gotten bigger over the years. Will put on the March agenda and address it at that time.

POLICE REPORT-Lane stated payroll is over budget due to having an extra officer on duty training the new officer. He would also like to know how to handle Ordinance Violations and to have the most important ones on top. Board members may e-mail Lane.

McGrath asked if the water bills are on postcards and Williams stated yes. McGrath stated that other villages send theirs in envelopes and include flyers and Williams stated it would be more costly.

PUBLIC WORKS-No report

TREASURER- Williams stated that the W-2's and 1099's were completed and mailed. Pickup for recycling will now be on Tuesday and will start in March.

No Arsenic Report

McGrath's law clerk has updated the Village Code and it is up to date. This can be saved to a PDF file and uploaded on the Website and fixing it can be done, possibly Williams doing it.

DANGEROUS & UNSAFE BUILDINGS-301-309 N. Clinton St. Lane stated he has not had any problems since the tenants were served an eviction notice. There was some discussion about the Village buying the property and then find someone to buy it with certain requirements and restrictions. It could also be condemned but that would involve having it inspected and getting a search warrant and that is time consuming. Need to be creative. Try to reach out to their attorney and owner.

EMPLOYEE SAFETY TRAINING-Keep on agenda.

BUDGET FOR CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS-Motion by Billington 2<sup>nd</sup> Webster to spend no more than \$3500.00 on decorations. ROLL CALL-Shifflet, Billington, VanDyke, Webster, Breakville and Belmar. All ayes, motion carried.

BURNING ORDINANCE-The committee will meet on March  $1^{st}$  at 6:00pm before the Finance and Board meetings.

RENEWAL CONTRACT WITH WCR-Warren Ribley stated that Jeff Torricelli monitored Legislative Sessions best he could. Has signed up for Governors Sessions but the have been cancelled. Also, working with IDOT but had some issues. Suggested that the Village consider hiring another Engineering Firm. Breakville also stated he would like to see the exit ramp onto Rt. 136 addressed and Rt. 136 road to the Dixie ruck Stop upgraded. Greg noted this is a State Road. The board could also contact Keith Sommer. Motion by Webster 2<sup>nd</sup> VanDyke to renew the contract with WCR at \$3000.00 per month for 12 months starting 2-2-21. ROLL CALL-Billington, VanDyke, Webster, Breakville, Belmar and Shifflet. All ayes, motion carried.

DISABILITY INSURANCE FOR EMPLOYEES-Discussion on the different options for providing disability insurance for employees; IMRF disability, AFLAC Disability and self- insuring. Treasurer Williams noted that disability insurance is already provided through IMRF. The waiting period for IMRF is 30 days; disability benefits are approximately 50% of wages. For AFLAC – the waiting period is 7 days; disability benefits are approximately 66% of wages.

The trustees discussed providing coverage to employees for the period from 7 days to 30 days-which is self-insuring and requiring that employees use personal time or vacation time for the first 5 days.

Motion by Breakville 2<sup>nd</sup> Shifflet to self-insure for 3 weeks (employees would use 5 days pf PTO) and the Village disability benefit will be 50% of wages from day 7 through day 30 and to update the handbook to reflect this. ROLL CALL-VanDyke, Webster, Breakville, Belmar, Shifflet an Billington. All ayes, motion carried.

ENGAGEMENT LETTER FROM STRIEGEL KNOBLOCH FOR AUDIT FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDING APRIL 30, 2021-Motion by VanDyke 2n Billington to accept the Engagement Letter from Striegel Knobloch for \$6600.00. ROLL CALL-Webster, Breakville, Belmar Shifflet, Billington and VanDyke. All ayes, motion carried.

ORDINANCE CODE VIOLATIONS-PENALATIES-STORAGE VEHICLES- Violations regarding storage of vehicles was moved out of the traffic code and into General Offenses, Title XIII, Chapter 140. However, there is no specific mention of the appropriate penalties. To clarify, the ordinance needs to specifically refer to §10.99 of the Village Code. Motion by Breakville 2<sup>nd</sup> VanDyke to have McGrath update the Ordinance Code to specifically refer to §10.99. ROLL CALL-Breakville, Belmar, Shifflet, Billington, VanDyke and Webster. All ayes, motion carried.

Motion by Billington 2<sup>nd</sup> Breakville to adopt Ordinance #21-02-01 "Relating to Numbering of Chapters in Title XII and XIV (Vehicle Storage) because two sections were numbered #140. ROLL CALL-Belmar, Shifflet, Billington, VanDyke, Webster and Breakville. All ayes, motion carried.

APPRAISAL OF PROPERTY-2 Lots at Rt. 136 and Clinton St.-It was appraised for \$26,000.00 someone is interested to possibly open a restaurant. They would have to purchase for at least 80% of the appraisal.

UPDATE VILLAGE CODE ON WATER & SEWER LIENS-Have McGrath update the Lien Provisions. Motion by Shifflet n Breakville to authorize McGrath to update this. ROLL CALL-Shifflet, Billington, VanDyke, Webster, Breakville and Belmar. All ayes, motion carried.

VanDyke state that the Public Works did a great job of getting limbs and branches picked up. Cameras have been installed in the Village Office.

Motion by Breakville 2<sup>nd</sup> VanDyke to adjourn meeting. ROLL ALL-Billington, VanDyke, Webster, Breakville, Belmar and Shifflet. All ayes, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:45pm.

Respectfully submitted by,

Sharon C. Leipold

Village Clerk