

VILLAGE OF BETHANY
REGULAR BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
May 12, 2022

The regular board meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by President Jon Book. The following Trustees were present; Dave Doty, Jeannie Ruppert, Greg McLain, and Brian Gill. Mike Jennings and Raven Allen were absent.

A motion was made by Trustee Doty to approve the minutes from the April 14, 2022, regular meeting, seconded by Trustee Ruppert. Roll call taken, all ayes, motion carried.

A motion was made by Trustee Gill to approve the "Statement of Income and Expenses", seconded by Trustee Ruppert. Roll call taken, all ayes, motion carried.

A motion was made by Trustee McLain to approve the "Banks and Checks Journal", seconded by Trustee Doty. Roll call taken, all ayes, motion carried.

Public – Chuck Pierce & Grant Davis - These gentlemen were here to discuss their concern for the streets in the subdivision for the Parkview Addition. There is no base for these roads, many potholes and areas of mud where the road has washed out. The gentlemen invited the Trustees to come out and see the roads. Trustee Doty told them that the Streets and Alleys committee will be looking into this and will need to discuss this with our Engineers.

John Dickson 302 WN Water - talked about how his yard floods when we get substantial rain. He said he was told there is only a 4" drain and would like to see what the Village is able to do to fix this problem. He also asked who maintains these drains.

Greg Gustafson Water Improvement Project Update - Regarding the water tower project, tank washing started on Wednesday. There was a paint chip issue that was taken care of. Previously there was a clear coat that was poorly done and not attached. As a result, when pressure washing started the paint chips started to come off. Power washing was finished on Tuesday. The tank was drained on Tuesday and today started blasting the seams. All the welding should be completed before priming takes place. One of the bypass valves acted screwy and was taken care of. There was a water main break on Wednesday. The detention review letter from the EPA was received. Mr. Gustafson and Mr. Kiley are caught up with everything with RD.

Approval of the Amended Gaming Ordinance - This is to approve the ordinance for the decision that was approved last month. This was to increase the number of allowed machines from five (5) to six (6). A motion was made by Trustee Gill to approve Ordinance #808 amending Chapter 7, Article 3, Section 5(C) and 5(D) of the Business Code, seconded by Trustee Doty. Roll call taken, all ayes, motion carried.

502 S. Washington St. Property - this item will be discussed in closed session for possible litigation.

Other Old Business: President Book announced that the Village did receive the Safe Routes to School Grant. The State has approved the full program of \$204,000.

Special Use Permit: Schoonover Salon - Gene Mueller, Zoning Admin, presented information concerning this. The committee recommended approval of this permit. A motion was made by Trustee McLain to approve the zoning request for the Schoonover Salon Special Use permit, seconded by Trustee Ruppert. Roll call taken, all ayes, motion carried.

TIF Advance for the Marrowbone Public Library - TIF Chairman McLain reviewed what was discussed at last month's meeting concerning this. A motion was made by Trustee McLain to advance the Marrowbone Public Library and additional \$5,000 a year early, seconded by Trustee Doty. Roll call taken, all ayes, motion carried.

Approving Updated Utilities Ordinance - This is for the annual increase of utility rates. A motion was made by Trustee McLain to approve Ordinance #22-809 Amending Title 16, Chapter 13 for increasing the Electric Rates, seconded by Trustee Gill. Roll call taken, all ayes, motion carried. A motion was made by Trustee Ruppert to approve Ordinance #22-810 Amending Title 20, Chapter 17 for increasing the gas rates, seconded by Trustee Doty. Roll call taken, all ayes, motion carried. A motion was made by Trustee Ruppert to approve Ordinance #22-811 Amending Title 38, Chapter 3, Section 79 for increasing the water rates, seconded by Trustee Gill. Roll call taken, all ayes, motion carried. A motion was made by Trustee Doty to approve Ordinance #22-812 Amending Title 38, Chapter 4, Section 80 for increasing the sewer rates, seconded by Trustee McLain. Roll call taken, all ayes, motion carried.

Budget Billing Refunds - This was discussed a few months ago to instead of issuing checks as refunds, adding the credit to the customers' refund directly to the resident customers' utility bill. Treasurer Jessica Henderson has given a letter to the Trustees to review as this letter will be sent out to those on budget billing. Mr. Kiley advised to send this letter out with a refund check this time. It was suggested to look at the amount some are paying and adjust their budget amount. Ms. Henderson asked Mr. Kiley if this policy should be put into ordinance form. He will look into this.

Reports – Manager Shannon Risley, Streets and Alleys Committee, Zoning Board, Chief Nichols.

Correspondence – none received.

Committee Meeting Dates - Finance
June 9th @ 6pm
*Appropriations

Trustee Ruppert made a motion to go into Executive Session to discuss litigation and property acquisition, seconded by Trustee Doty. Roll call taken, all ayes, motion carried.

Trustee McLain made a motion to enter back into Open Session, seconded by Trustee Doty. Voice vote taken, all ayes, motion carried.

With no other business to discuss a motion to adjourn was made by Trustee McLain and seconded by Trustee Doty. Voice vote taken, all ayes, motion carried. Meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Jackie McLain, Clerk

Jonathan Book, President