

MINUTES

MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES VILLAGE OF STEWARD, ILLINOIS 402 MAIN STREET

MONDAY, JANUARY 9, 2023

1. Call to Order at 7:01 PM
2. Roll Call - Zach (Y) Erik (Y) Chris (Y) James (Y) Rylee (Absent/Excused)
3. Approval of Agenda - Hugh asks to add to agenda under Treasurer Report A) December and B) January and also Community Reports Water Info #3) Nutrien Rate #4) Water well #2 rehab. Zack motions to approve agenda with additions. Erik M. seconds.
4. Approval of Minutes from 12-12-2022 Zack motions to approve James seconds.
5. Swearing in of new Village Trustee - Chrissy swore in Laura Salazar
6. Treasurer Report -
 - a) December Report - Any questions please ask Matt
 - b) January Report - Matt gave report
7. Accounts Payable - Menards rebate used. Changes to report are as follows: \$2,453.02 General Misc. SubTotal and Grand Total to be \$3,146.11. Water expense - no change. James Tyler motions to pay bills as presented and Zach seconds. Roll call : Zach (Y) Erik (Y) James (Y) Chris B. (Y) Laura (Y). All in Favor. ** Matt questions an error on the water side. Viking Bill same as last month. Zach motions to amend the water account payable ledger by deleting the Viking bill. New total \$1,115.75. Laura seconds. Roll Call: Zach (Y) Erik (Y) James (Y) Chris (Y) Laura (Y). All in Favor.
8. **Visitor Recognition - Karen Bonnell and Sal Salazar**
9. Committee Reports
 - A. Water Info:
 - 1) Review Water Biller Salary - Zach asked what current the salary is now. \$180 every quarter. Zach motions to keep the same James seconds. Roll Call : Zach (Y) Erik (Y) James (Y) Chris (Y) Laura (Y). All in Favor.
 - 2) Review Water Operators Contract - James makes motion to keep Brad contract as is currently. Zach seconds. Roll call: Zach (Y) Erik (Y) James (Y) Chris (Y) Laura (Y). All in Favor.
 - 3) Rate for Nutrien - possibly seventy five cents for 100 gallons Hugh asks. Chris motions to table until next month to get a better understanding of volume and rates charged in surrounding areas. James seconds. Zach (Y) Erik (Y) James (Y) Chris (Y) Laura (Y). All in Favor.
 - 4) Hugh requesting permission to get quotes to start rehab of Well #2 previous quote were \$7,000. He would like to possibly start this project in August 2023. James Tyler makes motion to pursue rehabbing Well #2

estimates by Well to Well. Zach (Y) Erik (Y) James (Y) Chris (Y) Laura (Y). All in Favor.

- B. Park/Village - Nothing to add
- C. Tree - Nothing to add
- D. Publicity - nothing for newsletter, Laura mentions a welcome letter and website needing to be updated with current information. Chrissy to verify the website.
- E. Ordinance - no meeting. Hugh and Zach to meet. Agenda will be posted for 1/14

9. Old Business

- A. Rising Broadband - Moving forward. Christmas Decorating Contest - Two winners will receive \$75 and a few honorable mentions. The Judges should have their choices to K Aren by 12/19.

10. New Business

- A. Authorization keeping the Village
 - 1. Auditor - Newkirk and Associates
 - 2. Attorney - Tess & Crull
 - ** Zach makes a motion to retain both the current Auditor and attorney. Laura seconds. Villa2023 Meeting Schedule - Rylee motions to approve dates. James seconds.
- B. Start listing projects for next year - Depot, Village Hall, Pavillion at the Park. Discussion brought up about adding these to the budget. Water - Splitting Well #2. Additional sidewalks also.
- C. Budget 2023/2024 - James tabled until next month. Chris B. seconds.
- D. Review closed session minutes - none to review
- E. Resolution to dissolve the separate entity of the Celebration Garden - discussion took place. Board decided to have a meeting with any and everyone that has been involved with the Garden. The meeting will be held in the Village Hal January 28 at 9am. Chris motions to table until next month after meeting. James Seconds.
- F. Resolution of Definition of Dangerous Dogs Ordinance - Discussion took place. Topic to be discussed at Saturday Ordinance meeting. James Tabled until Saturday January 14, 2023. Laura seconds. All in Favor.
- G. Certify names of person required to file economic interest papers - everyone is required to do this paper. County mails it to each individual and needs to be returned. Trustees advised to bring to next meeting and they can be mailed as a group.

11. Next meeting is February 13, 2023

12. Chris motions to adjourn regular meeting Laura seconds at 8:15 PM