Minutes

Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees

Village of Steward, Illinois

402 Main Street

7:00 PM Monday July 11, 2022

- 1) Call to order/Pledge at 7:00 PM
- 2) Roll Call Zach B. (Y) Erik M. (Y) Chris Barber (Y) Kristen (Excused Absence) James Tyler (Excused Absence) Rylee B (Y)
- 3) Agenda Zach Burkhart would like to add the following items to the agenda : Properties at 307 Dewey St, 311 John St, 103 Miller, 111 Steward St to Old Business. And Zack would like to add County Health Department and Celebration Garden event to new business. Zack motions to approve the agenda with the amendments. Chris Barber seconds.
- 4) Minutes June 13, 2022 Zack motions to approve the minutes as presented. Rylee B. seconds. All in Favor.
- 5) Annual Financial Report Presentation Bill Newkirk presented report of AFR. Hugh mentions we have enough trustees to approve report tonight. Zack motions to approve as presented and Rylee B. seconds. Roll Call : Zach B. (Y) Erik M. (Y) Chris Barber (Y) Rylee B (Y) All in Favor.
- 6) Treasurer Report Hugh had board look over report Matt prepared before he left for vacation and recommended to the board to make notes if they have any questions for Matt at next meeting. Rylee motions to approve report as presented Zack seconds. Zach B. (Y) Erik M. (Y) Chris Barber (Y) Rylee B (Y) All in Favor
- 7) Village Account Payables Hugh presented report. Rylee motions to pay as presented. Zack seconds. Roll Call: Dumpster is suppose to be here but Hugh has called in to NIDS. Hugh asked to pay the six months in advance. Zack motions to approve with the addition of 6 months for dumpster bill instead of one. Rylee seconds. Roll Call Zach B. (Y) Erik M. (Y) Chris Barber (Y) Rylee B (Y) All in Favor.
- 8) Visitor recognition and Business from the floor Karen Bonnell, Kim Lancaste, Tom Brown, Julie Bartowski and Sonny (lots of discussion took place) Sonny proposes a code enforcer be brought back up to board. Zach to follow up with the new owners of 307 Dewey St. Julie, Kim and Tom address concern about properties in town needing attention.

**Zack motions to suspend the rules to allow the guest to speak. Rylee seconds.

9) -the new owners of 306 Dewey would like to see some ordinances enforced for properties within the village in violation particularly the ones closest needing yard mowed and junk removal. Kim addressed concerns for properties that are needing immediate attention and would like attorney contacted for the violations. Kim would also like an update posted website or Facebook regarding the concerns with properties in Old Business Item C Old Business or as follows : 206 school St has a complaint with the health department , 311 John St needs yard mowed, 111 Steward St has a decapitating garage that is a hazard, 314 Miller St has several washer, dryers and other garbage in yard that needs disposed of and 307 Dewey St has abandoned vehicles and piles of wood needing attention. Zack motions to have Hugh contact attorney regarding these FIVE properties within seven days. Rylee questions that there are other houses in Village limits needing attention shouldn't these be added. Rylee then seconds motions after some discussion. Zach B. (Y) Erik M. (Y) Chris Barber (Y) Rylee B (Y) All in Favor.

-Kim also addressed concerns about pine trees on edge of her property needing attention. She let board know she has treated them several times for carpenter ants.

10) Committee Reports

a) Water Info -

1)School Street Info - Hugh gave update from Jill. Jill hopes to be at next meeting.

- 2) Water Building projects Chris motions to buy two 55 gallon chlorine scale which is a 2000lbs scale. approximately \$2700 a piece. Rylee seconds. Roll Call : Zach B. (Y) Erik M. (Y) Chris Barber (Y) Rylee B (Y) All in Favor.
 - 3) Water line break Waiting for BNSF
 - b) Park/Village Property -
 - 1. Depot Hugh has a contact number for the carpentry work.
 - 2. Village/Hall Possibly contact Terry Macklin's son for work and Duval painting.
 - 3. Park Playground equipment has been ordered.
 - 4. Sidewalks Maybe contract out and a priority list for sidewalks needs to be done. Rylee to start a list.
 - c) Publicity/Items for the newsletter/Technology -
- 12) Old Business -

a) Rise Broadband - Broadband company is requesting a letter of acceptance to work with broadband company. Chris has neem in contact with Ron. Chris motions to have the Village write a letter of acceptance to work with broadband. Zack seconds.
b) Prevailing Wage Ordinance - Rylee motions to approve prevailing wage ordinance as presented. Chris Barber seconds.

c) 206 School St - and other properties including 311 John St, 111 Steward St, 314 Miller St, 307 Dewey were already previously handled in meeting.

- d) Citizen of the Year Rylee motions to approve Logan Frye as COTY for 2022. Erik Maertz seconds.
- 13) New Business

a) Annual Appropriation - Chris motions to approve Annual Appropriation Rylee seconds.b) Celebration Garden Event - addressing concerns about village hall being available. Chrissy and Karen to prep the Hall for the celebration.

- 14) Next meeting August 8, 2022
- 15) Rylee motioned to adjourn regular meeting at 8:25 PM Zack seconds.