

Minutes

Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees

Village of Steward, Illinois

402 Main Street

7:00 PM Monday August 10, 2020

- 1) Call to order/Pledge at 7:00 PM
- 2) Roll Call - Kim Lancaste (Y) Bonnie (Zoom) Bill W. (Absent) Kristen (Zoom) Les B. (Y) Les K. (Absent)
***Chrissy, Kristy, and Bonnie attended meeting via Zoom and Karen was the zoom mediator. Also in the gallery was Karen Bonnell, Kim Arne, Sue Bresley, William Newkirk, Chris Barber, Cathy R, Denny Burkhart, William Hantzman and Zach Burkhart. Bill Ravnaas was also attending by Zoom
- 3) Agenda - Kim motions to approve agenda. Les B. seconds. All in Favor.
- 4) Minutes from July 13, 2020 - Les B. motions to approve minutes and Kim seconds. All in Favor.
- 5) Treasurer Report - Matt gave report and mentions changes to the Depot amount that should be \$23,865 and not \$10,000 and General Savings fund had the wrong amount last month. \$51, 309.49 is correct. Kim L. motions to approve the report Les B seconds. All in favor.
- 6) Village Account Payables - Kim motions to pay the bills as presented. Les B. seconds. Kim L. (Y) Bonnie M. (Y) Kristy (Y) Les B. (Y) All in Favor.
*** Les B. motions to suspends the rules so auditor, Mr. Hantzman, and Sue Bresley could speak.
- Mr. Newkirk gave report. Kristy asked if it could be tabled until next meeting to allow everyone to look at it. Les B. seconds. All in favor.
-Sue Bresley owner of the Steward Inn is requesting to not be billed for the second quarter for her business since she was shut down. Bonnie M. motions to suspend seconds quarter water bill for Sue. Kristy seconds. All in Favor. Motion Passes
-Mr. Hantzman spoke about the Upcoming Solar Farm. Chris Barber asked a few questions. Kim requested Mr. Hantzmans contact info be added to minutes. Any future questions can be emailed to Mr. Hantzman @whantzman@hexagon-energy.com.
**Zoom was stopped at 7:36 and resumed at 7:50 PM
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- 7) Business from the floor -
- 8) Committee Reports -
 - a) Water -
 - 1) Update - Les B. gave update for School/Miller St. The chlorine levels are going in the right direction.
 - 2) School Street Project - Norm sent a letter for estimated cost. Kristy has gotten letter and amount to Jill Pepin. Kristy Pavlak questions the number Norm put on project and where do they come from? Les B. suggests we should proceed. Does the Village want to move ahead? Les B. motions to go ahead with Jill with Community Funding & Planning Services to lead the Village thru this project. Kim L. seconds. Kim L. (Y) Bonnie M. (Y) Kristy (Y) Les B. (Y) All in Favor.
 - 3) Other Updates - none to be given at this time
 - b) Park and Village -
 - 1) Tree Report - Karen let Timberman know he received bid with the person answering the phone. She has yet to hear back from him. Karen also has requested to add a problem tree on Jim Macklin's

property on Village side. Les B. motions to approve up to \$700 tree at Macklin's shop. Kim L. seconds. Kim L. (Y) Bonnie M. (Y) Kristy (Y) Les B. (Y) All in Favor.

****ZOOM ended at 8:23PM and resumed at 8:31PM****

2) Leech Field for Restroom at park - Les B. gave update. Rochelle Vault gave estimate for leech field at \$3,000 and Pert test was \$500. Les Bonnell motions to approve \$3,000 to Rochelle Vault for leech Field and \$500 for Pert test. Kim L. seconds. Kim L. (Y) Bonnie M. (Y) Kristy (Y) Les B. (Y) All in Favor.

3) Sidewalk repair - New Volunteers are available. 426 Main St. and Fuller St. West is in need of 120 ft of sidewalk about 6 yards. Les B. motions to do 120 ft of sidewalk at Fuller St and Main. Bonnie Macklin seconds. All in Favor.

4) Depot repairs - Three windows left for a total of \$1,696 which includes labor, material and haul away. Les B motions to go ahead with three windows in the amount of \$1,696. Bonnie Macklin seconds. Kim L. (Y) Bonnie M. (Y) Kristy (Y) Les B. (Y) All in Favor.

c) Publicity - Karen mentioned she would like to wrap newsletter up in the next three weeks.

d) Technology/Website/Facebook-

1) Social Archiving - Kristy gave pricing updates. Bonnie mentions just sitting on it. Kim L. motions to table until Facebook archiving to next month. Bonnie seconds. All in Favor.

9) Old Business

a) Feral cats - Kristy tables until next month. Bonnie seconds. All in Favor.

b) Building Inspector - Kim has someone in mind but she is checking to see if they need to be certified.

c) Citizen of the Year - Les B. updated the board on Ceremony.

d) 310 Main St - Weeds are down and Attorney has been called and involved.

10) New Business -

a) Authorize retention of Village Snow Plowing - Kim L. motions to retain Brandon Schaneberg to plow the Village. Les B. seconds. All in Favor.

b) Halloween Hours - tabled until next month

c) Review Closed Session minutes - None to be reviewed

d) Resignation of Billy Wasilewski - Billy's resignation was accepted as of August 8, 2020.

e) Hugh would like to appoint Chris Barber. Chris spoke on why he would like to be a part of the board.

Kristy asks questions. Bonnie mentions another possible person which happened to be in the lobby and was Zach Burkhart. Roll call vote was taken. Kim L. (N) Bonnie M. (N) Kristy (Y) Les B. (Y) Hugh was tie breaker vote of YES.

f) Resolution of Adoption of the Lee County Multi-Jurisdictional All Hazards Plan - Les B motions to adopt Multi Jurisdictional Kristy seconds.

g) Annual Auditor Report - Previously handled in meeting

h) Steward Creek Solar Report Presentation - Previously handled

i) Email from Denny Burkhart - discussion took place about cars abandoned or non movable. Kim L. wants county to come in . Kim motions to have Lee County to come in and send letters to these cars on property. Bonnie seconds. Kim (Y) Bonnie (Y) Kristy (Y) Les B. (N) Denny also questions who is cleaning up alley ways. Boards members pointed out things are being done around Village that are not always seen and the Village is always looking for Volunteers to assist in clean up.

***Zoom ended briefly at 9:27PM so that it could be resumed to adjourn at 9:29PM

11. Next meeting September 14, 2020 at 7:00 PM
12. Kim L. motions to adjourn meeting at 9:27PM Les B seconds.