

Minutes

Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees

Village of Steward, Illinois

402 Main Street

7:00 PM Monday November 9, 2020

- 1) Call to order/Pledge at 7:01 PM
- 2) Roll Call - Kim Lancaste (Y) Bonnie (Zoom) Chris B.(Y) Kristen (Zoom) Les B. (Y) Les K. (Absent)  
\*\*\* Bonnie, Kristy and Chrissy attended meeting via Zoom and Karen was the zoom mediator.
- 3) Agenda - Hugh wants to add under new business b) Eric Moe from IMG to talk about sewer system and c) Depot Security and Kim would like to add d) New Resident letter. Kim L. approves the amended agenda and Les B. seconds. All in Favor.
- 4) Minutes from October 12, 2020 - Kim wants to add "Chris and Hugh will check into criteria" for 9B. Les B. approves the corrected minutes and Kim L. seconds. All in Favor.
- 5) Treasurer Report - Matt gave report. Kim L. motions to approve the October report Chris B. seconds. All in favor. Matt presents information regarding corona support funding. Discussion took place.
- 6) Accounts Payable - Hugh mentioned we did not receive a LR Communication check and he is still waiting on a balance from Regional Ready Mix. Water Solutions bill was paid last month. Kim L. motions to pay the bills for November 2020. Les B. seconds. Roll Call - Kim Lancaste (Y) Bonnie (Y) Chris B.(Y) Kristen (Y) Les B. (Y) All in Favor.
- 7) Business from the floor - Karen, Eric Moe and Rob Pinnick are in the gallery. Karen mentions that J Carlson is refunding the Village for an overcharge on trees recently purchased.
- 8) Committee Reports -
  - a) Water -
    - 1) School Street Project - information was filled out and signed agreement sent in
    - 2) New Chlorine Scale for Well #2 - Hugh would like the Board to approve \$2,000 from scale city to purchase a new Chlorine Scale. Les B. motions to approve the purchase of a new scale up to \$2,000 from Scale City. Kristy seconds. Roll Call - Kim Lancaste (Y) Bonnie (Y) Chris B.(Y) Kristen (Y) Les B. (Y) All in Favor.
  - b) Park and Village -
    - 1) Tree Report - Tyler St. No communication from tree cutting place. The Board would like it done this Fiscal year.
    - 2) Leech Field progress - Village is waiting on Dave Williams with Rochelle Vault.
    - 3) Depot Repairs - waiting on repair man.
  - c) Publicity - decision made there will be a Christmas Decorating contest. Prizes to be donated by Weichert Realtors and other anonymous donors. Possible mention of open positions for the board.
  - d) Technology/Website/Facebook - nothing to add

9) Old Business

- a) Feral cats - nothing done recently. Hugh to look into possibly contacting Lee County Animal Control.
- b) Building Inspector - Hugh and Chris to take over. Kim to get Chris the IL Maintenance Code book.
- c) Proposed Changes to Administration Ordinance - Hugh did not have time to write up for the Board to approve. Kim to help Hugh with writing of this proposed change.
- d) Miller St and Main St Properties - Hugh will have Miller St Property down by the beginning of the year. Hugh is trying to contact Mr. Harms regarding his Main St property and Johnson Main Street Property Hugh has not seen property owner. Bonnie would like a letter done this month. (Please keep on agenda under Old Business.)

10) New Business -

- a) 2020/2021 Tax Levy - Hugh asked the Board to look over and needs to be done next month. Kim would like to table until next meeting. Chris seconds. All in Favor.
- b) Mr. Moe - IMEG- gave an update regarding possible grants and interest free loans for septic and sewer for the Village. Les Bonnell reminds the Board that this is what Sharon Pepin is doing for the Village also. Moe gave information about using his services would entail. Chris Barber mentions putting something on Facebook about community members reaching out to Board members if they would be interested in sewer for the Village. Board has decided to leave this for discussion next month. Kristy to contact Norm regarding previous work.
- c) Depot Update - Rob Pinnick gave update on Depot and some repairs he would recommend being done. Rob and Hugh to touch base and discuss these repairs as they are made. Kristy recommends/suggest new key and lock done. Keys distribution limited and a sign out sheet to keep track of them. Bonnie tables until next month regarding committee and getting Depot secure. Kim L. seconds. All in Favor.
- d) Welcome letter - Chris recommends personalizing letter a bit. Les B. tables until next month and Chris seconds.

11. Next meeting December 14, 2020 at 7:00 PM

12. Kim L. motions to adjourn meeting at 9:06PM Les B. seconds.