

VILLAGE OF MANSFIELD
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR VILLAGE BOARD MEETING
December 3, 2018

The Village of Mansfield Board of Trustees met at the NPPFD meeting room on Washington St. in Mansfield at 7:00pm with Andy Stiger presiding. Roll was taken with Don Deffenbaugh, Zach Reynolds, Todd Jones, Ron Konen, Lucas Gilbert and Tom Williams physically present. Bill Hardy and Dustin Holoch were also present.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES, BILLS PAYABLE

Stiger requested a motion to approve the regular minutes of November 5, 2018. **Deffenbaugh moved, Gilbert seconded to approve the November 5, 2018 regular meeting minutes. Roll call: ALL YES. Motion carried 6-0.** Stiger requested a motion to approve the Bills Payable for December 2018. **Gilbert moved, Deffenbaugh seconded to approve the Bills Payable for December 2018. Roll call: ALL YES. Motion carried 6-0.**

TREASURER'S REPORT

There was no Treasurer's Report and it will be brought to the January 2019 meeting for a vote.

OLD BUSINESS

Non-Resident Water Connection Ordinance

Konen said Attorney Rupiper is working on the documents, which should be ready for the January meeting. The home in foreclosure is being sold and the closing is mid-December.

Water Connection at 106 & 106 ½ E Oliver

Konen asked if there was an update on 106 ½ E Oliver. Stiger said the owner is paying one water bill for the property himself beginning in January. Konen is concerned about the zoning and the rear tenant. He asked if the board should authorize the attorney to move forward on fixing the issue. Attorney Rupiper suggested letting the owner know that letting a second person live on the property is a violation of village ordinance and give options of how to remedy the situation. The board discussed possible other properties in the village that need to be included in this. The board was in agreement for her to proceed with sending letters. Clerk Place will get Rupiper the addresses for mailing.

FY18 Audit Approval

Gilbert moved, Williams seconded to accept the FY18 Audit by Kemper CPA Group. Roll call: ALL YES. Motion carried 6-0.

4-Way Stop at Oliver & McKinley

Stiger described other towns that have signage about vehicles yielding to pedestrians, which is a state law. It may be a better idea to install these signs at the school crosswalks instead of a 4-way stop at this time. Officer Umberger asked about moving the school zone signs East toward the school. The board described various past attempts at getting people to use this crosswalk across Rt. 150 and staffing a crossing guard. There was discussion about IDOT engineers coming to view the issue or doing traffic surveys. Stiger asked Jones to help look into the issue. **Gilbert moved, Deffenbaugh seconded to add new yield for pedestrians signs at the school crosswalks on McKinley. Roll call: ALL YES. Motion carried 6-0.**

NEW BUSINESS

Updating Christmas Decorations

Jones said the board should consider updating Christmas decorations. Trustees thought putting money away each year and replacing a bit at a time would be the best idea. Bill Hardy has the catalogs for these items to get an idea of the price.

New Generator Needed

Jones said a new generator needs to be budgeted for. The current one being used is 1935 model and is running the wells in the event of a power outage. The price starts at around \$60,000 new. The chemicals at the well house corrode the generator and it may be better off sitting outside instead of inside the well.

Discount on Water Rates for Paying in Full

Konen outlined his idea of giving a discount to those customers who pay in full at the start of the year. The discount proposed would be 5%, giving 2019 “pay in full” customers a \$14 discount off the \$264 bill. This ordinance would be in place and continue until changed, meaning customers would have a 5% discount every year it continued. **Konen moved, Gilbert seconded to approve Ordinance 2018-13 Annual Water Payment Discount. Roll call: NO – Deffenbaugh, Reynolds, Jones. YES – Konen, Gilbert, Williams, Stiger. Motion passed 4-3.**

Liquor License for Patchwork Life

Gilbert said the owner of Patchwork Life is interested in having a liquor license where customers can bring their own alcohol for bridal showers, painting parties, etc. There was discussion about the current license types available, current license limits and what kind of license this would be. There is a Bring Your Own “BYO” type of license that could be added to the village liquor ordinance.

Signage on Jefferson/Oliver re: Parking Hours

Jones asked about the police being able to tow vehicles between 2am-5am that are parked on Oliver and Jefferson, since that’s what signs state. Officer Umberger suggested changing the ordinance to allow full time employees to call on towing needed. Williams thought the signs should be changed to enforce the times during a 2” or greater snow event, which Gilbert also agreed with.

2019 Meeting Dates

Konen moved, Deffenbaugh seconded to approve the list of 2019 meeting dates. Roll call: ALL YES. Motion carried 6-0.

2019 Village Holidays

Konen moved, Williams seconded to approve the list of 2019 Village holidays. Roll call: ALL YES. Motion carried 6-0.

Audience Comments

Hardy said there were some properties creating mess, specifically the Arndt trailer on Griggs and the Henderson trailer on Short, with insulation blowing around. The board asked Office Umberger to talk to the owners.

Reynolds moved, Jones seconded to adjourn the meeting. Roll call: ALL YES. Motion carried 6-0.

Submitted by:

/s/ Melissa Place

Melissa Place, Village Clerk