

**VILLAGE OF MANSFIELD
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR VILLAGE BOARD MEETING
November 4, 2019**

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 April Manning, Ron Konen, Todd Jones, Jessica Bartley, and Don Deffenbaugh physically present. Lucas Gilbert was absent. Bill Hardy was also present.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES, BILLS PAYABLE

Stiger requested a motion to approve the regular minutes of October 7, 2019. **Deffenbaugh moved, Konen seconded to approve the October 7, 2019 regular meeting minutes. Roll call: ALL YES. Motion carried 5-0.**

Stiger requested a motion to approve the closed meeting minutes of October 7, 2019. **Konen moved, Jones seconded to approve the October 7, 2019 closed meeting minutes. Roll call: ALL YES. Motion carried 5-0.**

Stiger requested a motion to approve the Bills Payable for November 2019. The board asked Tom Overmyer about the motor fuel tax roadwork bills for about \$1600 when no roadwork was completed. Overmyer said it was a drawn out process this year due to the addition of the Newton Street Andersons work. He suggested in the future to not mix unknowns with known work. He said he could get the bills down to about \$1200. Jones asked how much sooner the board should talk about the 2020 roadwork to make sure it is completed. Overmyer said the assessment should be done in March/April. He suggested a rotating schedule of roads to do each year so it's always known what will be worked on. **Konen moved, Jones seconded to approve the Bills Payable for October 2019. Roll call: ALL YES. Motion carried 5-0.**

TREASURER'S REPORT

Deffenbaugh moved to approve the Treasurer's Report for October 31, 2019. There was no second received. Motion died.

OLD BUSINESS

Trunk or Treat Event

Stiger thanked the Trunk or Treat Committee and said it was a very nice event that he looks forward to next year.

Video Recording Public Meetings

Manning and Konen had a Resolution made up for the video recording of public meetings. The Clerk will do the setup, videos will be posted for 3 months, and then will be removed and destroyed. **Manning moved, Konen to accept the Resolution R2019-05 to Live Stream and Post Regular Public Meetings. Roll call: 4 YES, Deffenbaugh NO. Motion carried 4-1.**

Internet at Dog Pound

Konen said the animal control building smoke alarm/carbon monoxide detector would be about \$120 and he would need to purchase a router also. He guessed the total for the project would be about \$700 and he would get help from Bill/Dustin to install everything. Carico reiterated that the state law would go into effect January 1, 2020 requiring monitoring of animal control facilities. **Jones moved, Manning seconded to move forward with purchasing items needed for the smoke/fire monitoring of the animal control building. Roll call: ALL YES. Motion carried 5-0.**

Railroad Trail from Bloomington to Mansfield

Konen said the Rails to Trails/Friends of the Constitution Trail committee wants to meet with town along the route. Overmyer said the make sure areas approaching our streets are asphalt and not crushed limestone. Deffenbaugh asked if there would be a parking lot at the trail head? Konen said the committee tries not to put in parking to get people to park a local businesses, but this trail will not be near a business at all and people would need to park along Liberty/State curve.

Rooster in Village

Stiger said he forwarded info to Attorney Amy Rupiper regarding the emotional support rooster in the Village. Carico advised the owners they would need to install a coop for the animal. Rupiper said even if the owners have a letter from a doctor saying they can have it, they will still need to make sure the animal does not threaten people, or bother anyone and the Village could do something at that time if those issues came about. Rupiper agreed with Carico that the animal needed to be properly housed. Carico said she would talk with the owner.

MDA Fundraiser at My Place Pub in 2020

Deffenbaugh said the idea for the MDA fundraiser will be cancelled for 2020, as the bar owner would rather support the Village's 150th anniversary this coming year.

Animal Control – Dog Ownership Issue

Deffenbaugh asked Carico about an issue with a dog on Griggs Street. She said she has informed a resident who consistently asks about the dog and restrictions placed on that dog that she will only discuss that dog with the dog's owner.

Building Maintenance/Repairs

Stiger had quotes on shop insulation from Heiser, Payless Insulation, and Phoenix Insulation. There were multiple options on each quote, but Heiser was lowest with about \$17,000. **Deffenbaugh moved, Jones seconded to accept the quote from Heiser Heating & Air for insulation at the village shop for about \$17,000. Roll Call: ALL YES. Motion carried 5-0.**

Tax Levy

Konen moved, Jones seconded to approve the Tax Levy Ordinance 2019-06. Roll call: ALL YES. Motion carried 5-0.

Water Coupon Book Mailing & Note to Residents

Clerk Place said the note to residents has been updated with info about 2020 water rate and the discount available if paid on full by February 10, 2020 and also the contact person for Golf Cart Permits. She also added information about the new Facebook page for Mansfield Animal Control and Lost/Found Pets.

NEW BUSINESS

Land Lease with Norfolk Southern

Stiger said Norfolk Southern reached out to him with an updated lease agreement and yearly amount for the area along the railroad on Rt. 150, which is about 4 acres. That lease had not been updated in several years and they also discovered the Village is using part of the area for a tractor pull, complete with pole lights, guardrails, and bleachers. The previous yearly lease was \$300. The new lease will be \$1,500. **Deffenbaugh moved, Konen seconded to approve the new land lease with Norfolk Southern Railroad. Roll call: ALL YES. Motion carried 5-0.**

Audience Comments

John Houser commented on the 2020 roadwork, recording regular meetings, and engineering bills.

Bill Hardy said the town of Rankin has an Ordinance officer and no police. He asked if this would help Mansfield? Stiger said the topic had come up but there would be no police protection. He is hoping to bring a candidate for hire to the December board meeting to be approved.

Closed Session

Konen moved, Manning seconded to adjourn the open meeting and go into Closed session for the discussion of pending litigation. Roll call: ALL YES. Motion carried 5-0.

Meeting adjourned into Closed session.

Meeting returned to open session.

Jones moved, Konen seconded to adjourn the meeting. Roll call: ALL YES. Motion carried 5-0.

Submitted by:

/s/ Melissa Place

Melissa Place, Village Clerk