

VILLAGE OF MANSFIELD
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR VILLAGE BOARD MEETING
December 2, 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, Lucas Gilbert, Ron Konen, Todd Jones, and Jessica Bartley physically present. Don Deffenbaugh was absent. Bill Hardy was also present.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES, BILLS PAYABLE

Stiger requested a motion to approve the regular minutes of November 4, 2019. **Konen moved, Jones seconded to approve the November 4, 2019 regular meeting minutes. Roll call: ALL YES. Motion carried 5-0.** Stiger requested a motion to approve the closed meeting minutes of November 2, 2019. **Jones moved, Konen seconded to approve the November 4, 2019 closed meeting minutes. Roll call: ALL YES. Motion carried 5-0.** Stiger requested a motion to approve the Bills Payable for November 2019. **Gilbert moved, Konen seconded to approve the Bills Payable for November 2019. Roll call: ALL YES. Motion carried 5-0.**

TREASURER'S REPORT

There was not a Treasurer's Report this month and it will be available at the January 2020 board meeting.

OLD BUSINESS

Part Time Officer Applications

Gilbert said he and Stiger looked over the applications and called 4 for interviews. Only one person responded so they interviewed one. Gilbert would like to meet with one more person this month. Stiger asked the Board if they were okay with Stiger and Gilbert completing the interviews and offering the position to someone this month so there is not another month going by. Konen said he would like to participate and meet the person before an offer is extended. He did not mind setting a Special Meeting to get this action completed, which Manning also agreed with. Gilbert said he would pick a date and let everyone know.

Video Recording Public Meetings

Konen said the live stream of the regular meeting was happening now, so that project is complete.

Internet at Dog Pound

Konen said the dog pound is all set up with electricity for the fire alarm and Carico would just need to connect it to her Nest.

Ordinance Violation Update

Stiger said the appeal hearing for 105 S. Prairie was held Nov. 26. Mr. Hurley was given a February 15, 2020 deadline for moving inoperable vehicles out of sight of the public. He also agreed to get the overgrown weeds mowed by the end of December 2019.

Railroad Trail from Bloomington to Mansfield

Bartley said she and Konen met again with the Trail Committee. She said Champaign County has a high interest in getting their trail connected to this one. The Trail Committee would like to know what kind of interest the public has in this trail and if there are any groups against it. They would like Mansfield to be thinking about the signage along the trail and what path the trail should take through town. There was discussion about the trail going south along Prairie and then east along Oliver toward the school. Bartley thought a good place for parking would be along the north side of E. State St, which is the north end of Jefferson St. and would keep visitors close to Mansfield businesses.

Approval to Sign IL EPA Documents for Water Main Project

Matt with Fehr-Graham spoke of the timeline and where Mansfield was at in the process. There are 3 items that need Board President signature tonight – the loan application, a tax compliance certificate, and the engineer's agreement showing Fehr-Graham complies with IL EPA standards. **Konen moved, Gilbert seconded to approve the board president to sign the loan application, tax compliance certificate, and the engineer's agreement. Roll call: ALL YES. Motion carried 5-0.**

NEW BUSINESS

Recycling Bins

Konen said he received a request for more availability of the recycling bins that are currently in Mansfield every other week. He thought maybe more outside people are using it so it fills quickly. It does cost about \$175/mo for the recycling. Gilbert would like to find a way to make sure just residents are using it before finding something more costly. Hardy said it's delivered every other Friday morning and it is gone on Monday morning. Stiger asked if maybe it could be moved to an area that is watched and not an open area along Rt. 150 where it sits currently. Konen said he would ask Knight if their recycling availability would allow any change in dates or times for Mansfield. Stiger said the topic should be revisited in January.

Mosquito Control for Spring/Summer 2020

Bartley asked if all permits and licenses were ready for mosquito control next year. Hardy said he is certified for another two years and he can spray whenever the need arises. The machine gets tested once a year.

Regular Meeting Dates for 2020

Jones moved, Konen seconded to approve the list of regular meeting dates for 2020. Roll call: ALL YES. Motion carried 5-0.

Village Holidays for 2020

Jones moved, Konen seconded to approve the list of Village holiday dates for 2020. Roll call: ALL YES. Motion carried 5-0.

Finance Committee

Stiger asked the Finance Committee to meet and work on hiring a new Treasurer. Gilbert suggested the board not use Indeed.com again as there were not enough qualified candidates for police. Konen suggested the idea of using Craigslist.

Audience Comments

An audience member asked about sidewalks on Illinois Street. Hardy said the weather has kept him from getting it done. He will work on it in the Spring or as soon as weather permits.

Submitted by:

/s/ Melissa Place

Melissa Place, Village Clerk