

**VILLAGE OF MANSFIELD
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR VILLAGE BOARD MEETING
January 4, 2021**

The Village of Mansfield Board of Trustees met via ZOOM at 7:08pm with Andy Stiger presiding. Roll was taken with April Manning, Ron Konen, Todd Jones, Jessica Bartley, and Don Deffenbaugh present. Lucas Gilbert was absent.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES, BILLS PAYABLE

Gilbert moved, Konen seconded to approve the Dec 7, 2020 regular meeting minutes. Roll call: ALL YES. Motion carried 5-0.

There was discussion about the amount of ammo purchased by police listed on this report. **Konen moved, Bartley seconded the Bills Payable for January 2021. Roll call: 4 YES, Deffenbaugh NO. Motion carried 4-1.**

TREASURER'S REPORT

Jones moved, Manning seconded to approve the Treasurer's Report for Dec. 31, 2020. Roll call: ALL YES. Motion carried 5-0.

OLD BUSINESS

Vote on Variance Hearing - 102 W. South

Deffenbaugh moved, Konen seconded to approve the two variances requested at 102 W. South for the Roys. Roll call: ALL YES. Motion carried 5-0. Rupiper said she would work on the resolution paperwork.

Water Main Project Update

Konen said an item needed to be signed for Overmyer to proceed. The board was okay with the paper being signed now and the item will appear on the February agenda to be voted on properly.

Tornado Siren Repair

Deffenbaugh asked if the tornado siren was fixed yet. Jones said it's due to be repaired Jan. 15 if weather allows.

Pull-Behind Trailer Replacement

Deffenbaugh asked about the arrival of the new trailer and Jones said it would be in February.

NEW BUSINESS

New Equipment from CURES Act

Konen said two new computers arrived and could go to the Clerk or Treasurer if needed.

Part-Time Work Duties

Konen asked if Mike Berry could be salting streets. Deffenbaugh suggested Hardy look for broken limbs from the recent ice storm.

Hearing Officer Needed

Bartley said the topic of getting a hearing officer hired needed to be brought back up. Rupiper talked to IL Municipal League about it. She knows the Village of Mahomet uses a hearing officer. She thinks the Village administrator might be able to help. Bartley suggested Tom Williams, but has not talked to him about it. Rupiper said the hearing officer would be a paid position, but the fees would come back to the Village by charging fees for the services. The board was okay with Rupiper contacting Mahomet.

Lights/Decor Along Jefferson and Washington

Bartley said she would like to see lights and decor up all the time, not just at Christmas. She suggested rope lights or flags with lights. Stiger asked her to get pricing on these items. There was discussion about lighting up the gazebo and adding lights on the South end of Jefferson if electric would allow.

Security Cameras at Village Shop

Jones said he would like to see security cameras installed at the shop, especially since a trailer was recently stolen. He can bring pricing to the next meeting.

Train Noise

Jones said he received an email from a resident who said the train noise on the West side of town was especially bad at night. Bartley said Andersons has recently added a 3rd shift and work is going on there at night. Stiger said he will talk to Adam Weedman about it.

Beaver Damage Around Bateman Lake

Stiger said a resident called Anything Wild to trap beavers around the lake who were damaging trees and asked the Village to pay the bill or reimburse the resident for the expense. Stiger said the lake is for the homeowners, not the entire village and would think the expense for the beavers would come from the homeowners association dues. The board was in agreement. Stiger said he would contact them tomorrow.

Audience Comments

None

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

Submitted by:

/s/ Melissa Place

Melissa Place, Village Clerk