

# VILLAGE OF MANSFIELD

Regular Board Meeting *May 2, 2022* at 7pm | *Meeting called to order by Andy Stiger*

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## In Attendance

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Present: April Manning, Lucas Gilbert, Ron Konen, Todd Jones, Bob Henderson, Andy Stiger

Absent: Jessica Bartley

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## Approval of Minutes/Bills Payable/Treasurer's Report

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**4/4/22 Regular Meeting Minutes: Konen moved, Jones seconded. Roll call: ALL YES. Motion carried 5-0.**

**4/19/22 Streets/Drainage Comm. Mins: Gilbert moved, Jones seconded. Roll call: ALL YES. Motion carried 5-0.**

**5/2/22 Bills Payable: Gilbert moved, Manning seconded. Roll call: ALL YES. Motion carried 5-0.**

**4/30/22 Treasurer's Report: Konen moved, Manning seconded. Roll call: ALL YES. Motion carried 5-0.**

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## Old Business

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### **HIRING OF PT HUMAN RESOURCES STAFF, AS NEEDED BASIS**

Gilbert asked to table this item until the June meeting.

### **WATER TOWER CLEANING**

Konen said the exterior of the water tower was cleaned today.

### **ANNUAL WAGE INCREASES FOR EMPLOYEES**

Jones checked on wages for some positions, but has not finished. He suggested going ahead with the cost of living increase and making any needed adjustments later. Stiger proposed a 5.9% increase.

**ACTION: Gilbert moved, Manning seconded to approve a 5.9% increase for village employees effective 5/1/22. Roll call: ALL YES. Motion carried 5-0.**

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## New Business

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### **PURCHASE NEW PRESSURE WASHER**

Jones had quotes for a new pressure washer that uses hot water and is stationary. One was \$8300 and the other from M & M Pumps in Clinton was \$7000.

**ACTION: Jones moved, Gilbert seconded the purchase of a pressure washer from M & M Pump for \$7000. Roll call: ALL YES. Motion carried 5-0.**

### **GENERATOR FOR WATER WELL**

Jones said the new generator is installed and functioning at the well on Washington Street.

### **PIATT CO. FOREST PRESERVE AGREEMENT**

Stiger said the agreement is the same as it has been, with PFCP giving the Village \$3000 for the upkeep of the park. Manning asked about the mulch and Keith Collier said we would be stuck with what is there for this year and it would move to sand for next year.

**ACTION: Henderson moved, Gilbert seconded to approve the agreement with PFCP for the park. Roll call: ALL YES. Motion carried 5-0.**

### **DONATION TO SUMMER LUNCH PROGRAM**

Stiger had a letter from the United Methodist Church about their summer lunch program, which has not happened for two years and the Village had last donated to in 2019 for \$1,000. This program feeds elderly and children twice a week in June and July. He asked the board to consider a donation for summer 2022.

**ACTION: Gilbert moved, Manning seconded to donate \$1,000 to the Mansfield United Methodist Church for their summer lunch program. Roll call: ALL YES. Motion carried 5-0.**

### **CLOSEOUT SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOLS PROGRAM**

**ACTION: Konen moved, Gilbert seconded to authorize the Board President to sign the closeout paperwork for Safe Routes to Schools program. Roll call: ALL YES. Motion carried 5-0.**

### **WINDMILLS WITHIN 1/5 MILES OF VILLAGE**

Stiger received an email from Apex Energy today stating they are no longer looking at being within 1.5 miles of the Village. Stiger wants to go ahead with an ordinance not allowing it to protect the Village in the future. Amy Rupiper will get back to him about whether it would require involving the Zoning Code and subsequent zoning meetings.

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### **Audience Comments**

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- Sandy Coile went to the Piatt Co. Board meeting & Champaign Co. meetings too to learn about windmills. She appreciates the work being done on an ordinance to keep windmills away from the Village. The next Piatt Co. meeting is 5/18 at 9am.
- Rodney Cox talked about the Village's ability to regulate a distance further than 1.5 miles. He also questioned whether a village board member could legally take money from Apex Energy.
- Dave Oliger passed out maps of the county and the lease holders names. He does a FOIA with the county clerk once a month to get the information.
- Dennis Stalter gave the Board President a list of signatures from his neighborhood to keep windmills out of the 1.5 mile area of the Village.
- Rockey Dalton asked about the status of the house behind his property at the corner of West and Short. The village attorney is in the process of serving letters.
- Deena Carico said 15-20 people participated in the vaccine clinic. She will likely hold another in the Fall.
- Claudia Coile said anyone who cannot attend the county board meetings can send a statement to be read. She is concerned about the number of signed leases by people who do not live in the area and would have to deal with the windmills.
- Steve Andreae asked if his neighbor at the corner of Washington and North Streets had been served a letter about junk cars. Gilbert said that property is on his radar and the Village was pursuing other smaller issues first before that one.

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Adjourn

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**ACTION: Henderson moved, Jones seconded to adjourn the meeting. Roll call: ALL YES. Motion carried 5-0. Meeting adjourned.**