

VILLAGE OF MANSFIELD

Regular Board Meeting August 1, 2022 at 7pm | Meeting called to order by Andy Stiger

In Attendance

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

Approval of Minutes/Bills Payable/Treasurer's Report

6/6/22 & 7/5/22 Reg Mtg Minutes: Gilbert moved, Manning seconded. Roll call: ALL YES. Motion carried 6-0.

7/13/22: Hiring Comm. Mins: Gilbert moved, Jones seconded. Roll call: Manning No, 5 Yes. Motion carried 5-1.

8/1/22 Bills Payable: Konen moved, Gilbert seconded. Roll call: ALL YES. Motion carried 6-0.

7/31/22 Treasurer's Report: Konen moved, Manning seconded. Roll call: ALL YES. Motion carried 6-0.

Old Business

THANK YOU FOR MANSFIELD UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Stiger read a thank you note from the Mansfield UMC for the donation to their summer lunch program.

HIRING OF PT HUMAN RESOURCES STAFF, AS NEEDED BASIS

Gilbert said the committee met July 13 and will meet again in August. Konen did not like the idea of a permanent position and would like to call on someone when needed. Gilbert explained his idea of paying a small retainer to keep the person interested in staying on and being ready to help. He said they would put in more hours at the beginning to get everything going and then would just be needed a couple of times a year after. Gilbert said the employee handbook needed to be reworked, reviews needed to be done, job descriptions needed to be written, etc.

ACTION: Gilbert moved, Jones seconded to put an ad on social media & website for part-time Human Resources position. Roll call: Manning & Konen NO, 4 Yes. Motion carried 4-2.

TREE REMOVAL QUOTES

Gilbert had a quote from Marty Downing to take down trees & grind stumps at 3 properties for \$7200. Bill Hardy will get two more quotes for next month.

LAND SURVEY OF DRAINAGE DITCH

Henderson is waiting on the maps to arrive in the mail from Cox Survey. There are flags along the areas in question. He should know more at the September meeting after looking at the maps.

New Business

GARBAGE SERVICE FOR SHOP

Jones said the garbage service fee at the shop has increased and they can get service from GFL for \$51/mo. It would be a 2 yd dumpster and the drop off fee is \$50.

ACTION: Jones moved, Gilbert seconded to sign an agreement with GFL for trash service at the shop. Roll call: Manning NO, 5 Yes. Motion carried 5-1.

LIFE INSURANCE/SHORT TERM DISABILITY FOR FULL TIME STAFF

Gilbert had shared info and pricing on life insurance and short term disability for full time staff to the board. He wanted them to look it over and discuss again at the September meeting.

STOPPAGE OF RECYCLING BY KNIGHT ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

Stiger had a letter from Knight regarding the rising cost of maintaining the recycling bins and shortage of staff. Gilbert said the service is for Mansfield village residents and he sees it being used by a lot of non-residents. He hears a lot of complaints about it being full and he would not mind if it was not replaced by another company. Bartley thought GFL might be able to give a quote on recycling if they were already going to be doing the service at the shop. Stiger will bring quotes to the September meeting.

Audience Comments

- Deena Carico asked about feasibility of turning the sand volleyball area at the park into a concrete pickleball court. Stiger said they could talk to the Piatt Co. Forest Preserve about it. Carico suggested asking The Andersons for a donation toward the cost.
- Danaka Bulthuis (pastor at Mansfield Community Church) asked permission to leave small clues/prizes around the village for a scavenger hunt she's doing with QR codes and such. It would be advertised on Facebook. Stiger had no problem with this.
- James Sullivan (110 W. Illinois) wants to put up a fence and garage but his property is involved in the issue with the land survey on the drainage ditch. Renee Severe, also of that address, asked for clarification and was told it's not an easement, it's a drainage route. Konen explained it used to be an alley or ditch and was not marked.
- Ron Cochrane mentioned properties with out of control grass/weeds: behind the laundromat around the storage sheds and also Tom Gilbert's storage sheds.
- Kathleen Piatt spoke about running for Piatt Co. Board and the recycling issues Sangamon Township is having just like Mansfield because they used to get their roll-offs from Knight too.
- Jeff Lindenbaum spoke about the changes in the golf cart ordinance. He asked about the need for signs on the rear and the lack of rear end accidents. Gilbert said there's been really no issues with the carts except for people not having them permitted. Lindenbaum shared his thoughts on wanting just a flag and no rear triangle. He thought it was a better idea to separate out the ordinance into two: one for golf carts and the other for the other recreational vehicles now allowed. He did not like having to wire his cart for turn signals when it's allowed for bicycles, motorcycles, etc. to use arm signals.
- John Houser wanted to know who is responsible for getting bids for roadwork. He did not like it being skipped and just patching holes this season. Stiger said they are working on a plan for 2023 already. Houser also did not see a need for a Human Resources person.

ACTION: Gilbert moved, Bartley seconded to adjourn the meeting. Roll call: ALL YES. Motion carried 6-0. Meeting adjourned.