

VILLAGE OF MANSFIELD

Regular Board Meeting November 7, 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

10/3/22 Reg Mtg Minutes: Gilbert moved, Manning seconded. Roll call: ALL YES. Motion carried 6-0.

10/13/22 Streets/Drainage Committee Minutes: Gilbert moved, Bartley seconded. Roll call: ALL YES. Motion carried 6-0.

10/13/22 Police Committee Minutes: Gilbert moved, Konen seconded. Roll call: ALL YES. Motion carried 6-0.

11/7/22 Bills Payable: Gilbert moved, Manning seconded. Roll call: ALL YES. Motion carried 6-0.

10/31/22 Treasurer's Report: Henderson moved, Jones seconded. Roll call: ALL YES. Motion carried 6-0.

Old Business

LAND SURVEY OF DRAINAGE DITCH

Konen said the county is updating the GIS with the drainage route belonging to the Village. Stiger suggested the Village keep the drainage ditch and let homeowners mow it or have seasonal help mow it. Konen would like to see the survey corrected. The board was in agreement to leave the ditch as is.

NEED FOR HUMAN RESOURCES STAFF

Stiger said the majority of the board wanted someone to handle HR tasks, but no one wanted to do the interviews. He suggested hiring someone to conduct interviews. Manning said the committee should do the interviews. Konen still opposed hiring someone to be on payroll and was for hiring a vendor to be paid to do the work when needed. Jones did not want to spend money on an interviewer. Stiger said there would be more work in the beginning and less once things were caught up. Stiger will look into making a recommendation to hire for the work.

TAX LEVY FOR NOVEMBER VOTE

ACTION: Konen moved, Manning seconded to approve the Tax Levy Ordinance #2022-03. Roll call: ALL YES. Motion carried 6-0.

ORDINANCE ON WINDMILL SETBACKS

There will be a Public Hearing about the windmill ordinance in late November. Attorney Rupiper is publishing the info in the paper. The public is welcome to comment about the possible action on the proposed ordinance to ban windmills within 1.5 miles of the village limits.

RESOLUTION FOR IMRF WAGE REPORTING

ACTION: Konen moved, Gilbert seconded to approve Resolution #R2022-04 regarding wages reported to IMRF. Roll call: ALL YES. Motion carried 6-0.

WATER TREATMENT PLANT

Konen said Fehr-Graham said water meters could be included as part of the water treatment plant plan. He recommended that Fehr-Graham put together some numbers to show the board, but the answer would likely be no.

New Business

VARIANCE APPLICATION – 211 W. SHORT

ACTION: Manning moved, Jones seconded to approve the Dalton variance application for 211 W. Short. Roll call: YES 5, NO Gilbert. Motion carried 5-1.

DONATION FOR WINTER HORSE CARRIAGE RIDES/WINTERFEST EVENT

Manning said the Winterfest event is looking for a sponsor for the \$575 cost to offer horse carriage rides at the Winterfest event. Gilbert said the Village was already listed as a sponsor before this request came.

ACTION: Manning moved, Konen seconded to approve the sponsorship of carriage rides for Winterfest at \$575. Roll call: YES 5, NO Gilbert. Motion carried 5-1.

GENERATOR POWER SURGE/EQUIPMENT REPLACED

Bill Hardy said furnaces were fixed in two buildings because of a power surge from the new generator. He asked if this should be turned into insurance. Gilbert will talk to Sherman's Small Engine about the warranty purchased.

Audience Comments

- Deena Carico said over 100 children participated in the Trunk or Treat. Local businesses were well represented.
- Jim Smith clarified the board's action on the windmill farms. Lori Stalter wanted to be able to attend both county and village meetings in late November.

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