

THE RUSHVILLE VILLAGE BOARD MEETING

October 16, 2017

DATE: 10/16/17

TIME: 7:00 pm

PLACE: The Rushville Village Hall

PRESENT: Mayor John Sawers, Trustees: Holly Krossber, Kimberly Payne, Dave Masters, Mark Fargo
Clerk: Joanne Burley, DPW Super. Art Rilands, Reading Center Director, Dodie Baker
Code Enforcement Officer, Tim Pagel.

ATTENDANCE: Approximately 9 people attended meeting. Sign in sheet is available in Village office

At 7:00 p.m. Mayor opened board meeting.

RE: Salute to the Flag:

The Mayor John Sawers asked everyone to rise and join in the Pledge to the Flag.

Re: Communications, Petitions & Guests:

The Mayor said he would allow comments either now or at the end of the meeting. A resident asked that the board members speak up during the meeting so all could hear.

Re: Approval of Minutes:

The Mayor asked the Trustees if they had a chance to review the minutes from the Sept. 11, 2017 meeting. The Mayor asked for a motion to approve the minutes.
Trustee Holly Krossber made a motion to approve.
Trustee Dave Masters made a 2nd to the motion The motion was unanimously carried.

Re: Reports of Committees:

Re: Public Works Supervisor –

The Mayor asked Art to give his report.

Water: Art stated that we have to do more water testing. 2 times per month for a year. We have to test for e-coli. This is in addition to what we are already doing now.

The work on the SCADA upgrade is almost finished. The system is collecting data now and it is working OK. The guy is coming next week to do a couple of more things and do the training.

Walking Trail: Someone started a fire on one of the bridges. It has been repaired. They do not know who did it.

Streets: Town of Gorham came and paved the South end of Warren St. Art is waiting for the delivery of the catch basin so they can start the street work by the Village barn..

Sidewalks: The sidewalks have been started. The concrete should be all poured this week.

Sewer: Art reported we are still rotating the usage on the beds. The flows are also down so we are not putting extra liquids through the beds.

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Art has gotten a price to replace the 2009 pickup that he drives. There was money put in the budget to replace this truck. The price received was from VanBortel's. It is a state bid. The price received was \$35,821.25. If you bought this truck for personal use it would cost you around \$52,000. We receive a 30% savings on a state bid. Trustee Kim Payne asked if he would trade the existing truck. Art responded we would sell it outright or take it to auction. Trustee Mark Fargo made a motion to accept the bid and purchase the new truck. A 2nd was received by Trustee Dave Masters. The motion was unanimously passed.

Art said there is still a problem with the motor home on Chapel Street. The Mayor responded that Tim was working on it. Tim responded that it can be towed. We would have to have the sheriff give them a citation and it could be towed.

Art also reported that leaf pickup has started. They did 1 load last week.

Fire:

The Fire Dept. had a total of 12 incidents.

The Mayor asked is they had had any luck selling the old Fire Truck. Art said they had not had any bites on it yet.

Re: Reading Center Director – Dodie Baker

Dodie reported that she had attended the 2017 Annual meeting and Conference at Watson Homestead Conference & Retreat Center on Oct. 10th. It was well worth it. She thanked the board for sending her. She received lots of information.

She reported the stats for the Summer fun at the Library Program. They had 28 children participate. This number did not include the 5 teens that also participate. There were a total of 298 books read by the children, 15 by the teens and 120 by adults. There were 14 programs for the children with attendance of 155 which included parents and caregivers. 4 programs for teens with 25 attending.

The library will have trick or treat at the Library on Oct. 31th from 6 to 8 pm.

Dodie asked permission to take the Volunteers to Lunch as she had in the past. They will be going to the Redwood in Naples. Trustee Mark Fargo said he was very impressed with the #'s of the summer program.

Trustee Mark Fargo made a motion for Dodie to be able to take her volunteers to the Redwood, spending approx.. \$20 per person. A 2nd was received by Trustee Dave Masters . The motion was unanimously passed.

Dodie announced that the "Circle of Friends" Craft sale will start Monday, Nov. 6th at the library and the sale will run through Dec. If anyone knows of any crafters or Artisan's that would like to donate an item have them contact her.

The 2nd Annual Christmastime in Rushville meeting will be Monday, Oct. 23rd at 7 pm at the Library. All are welcome.

Dodie also mentioned that the Board would like to meet with the Mayor and Trustee Kim Payne regarding the addition to the library.

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Re: Code Enforcement officer:

Tim Pagel discussed the 9 Chapel Street property. Trustee Holly Krossber asked if there had been any change in the property. Tim said another letter had just gone out and that things have not changed.

Art had asked about the Motor Home that is parked on the street. He said this will be a problem when they start plowing snow. A letter will be sent out that the vehicle will be towed.

Tim had a couple of concerns. There are several cars parked around town with For Sale signs on them. We have a local law 2010 & 2005 that states each vehicle to be displayed for sale shall require a Temporary Use Permit issued by the Code Enforcement Officer. The law states that a resident can only have a vehicle for sale for 30 days and can be renewed once. So a registered vehicle cannot be in someone's yard for more than 60 days. Said permit shall be affixed to the inside window of the vehicle. Said permit shall state the Village of Rushville has no liability as to the warranty, or condition of said motor vehicle.

Tim said he cannot find any Temporary Use Permit and he will develop one, but law states the fee would be set by the Village Board. So he was asking if we want to ask for a fee for this permit. Questions were asked as to whether other communities had fees associated with this type of permit. Tim does not know of any, but it is up to the board if they want to ask a fee. Tim would check around to see what other towns or villages do.

Trustee Holly Krossber said she would like to see the law first before she makes a decision. The rest of the board agreed.

The Mayor suggested that the Clerk get a copy of the law to the board members and we will decide about the fee at the next meeting. All were in agreement.

Tim informed the board that he had been in contact with Chrisantha. They are the contractors that will be doing the work on the Rubin Drive project. They are in hopes of starting the project by Nov. 1st. They will do the siding, windows and doors before the bad weather and then work inside during the winter. Tim is waiting for the plans from the contractor to figure out the cost of the permits. He hopes to have the plans soon.

The house that burned on Rubin Dr. is going to be replaced. There has been discussion as to whether they will replace it with a modular or if Chrisantha will stick build the house. No decision has been made at this point.

Tim did mention that Chrisantha is looking for anyone that might be interested in concrete rubble. They will be tearing out some and would like to find a place that will take it. Art said there is someone on Townline Road that was looking for fill. He wasn't sure of the name.

Re: Joanne Burley – Clerk/Treasurer

Joanne thanked the board for allowing her to go to the Clerk's conference. She said it was a very good experience and she learned a lot. The interacting with other Clerks very valuable to her job.

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Re: Old Business:

Martin Buildings:

The Mayor asked Trustee Kim Payne if she had anything to report on the Martin Buildings. She said she had talked the Village Attorney, Tom Blair and he was leaving for vacation and he would talk to her when he got back. He just said it was very complicated.

The Mayor then went on to the payment of the bills.

Re Bills:

A motion was made by Trustee Dave Masters and seconded by Trustee Mark Fargo to authorize payment of the General Bills in the amount of \$36,926.07, noting \$16,363.27 had already received payment due either to prior authorization or a due date prior to the Board meeting. The motion was unanimously carried.

A motion was made by Trustee Mark Fargo and a second from Trustee Holly Krossber to authorize the payment of the Cemetery bills in the amount of \$29.99, noting \$72.74 had already received payment due either to prior authorization or a due date prior to the Board meeting. The motion was unanimously carried.

A motion was made by Trustee Holly Krossber and seconded by Trustee Dave Masters to authorize payment of the water bills in the amount of \$6,968.55, noting \$2,314.28 had already received payment due either to prior authorization or a due date prior to the Board meeting. The motion was unanimously carried.

A motion was made by Trustee Kim Payne and seconded by Trustee Holly Krossber to authorize the payment of the Sewer bills in the amount of \$5,921.34, noting \$1,099.35 had already received payment due either to prior authorization or a due date prior to the Board meeting. The motion was unanimously carried.

A motion to adjourn was made by Trustee Dave Masters and a 2nd from Trustee Mark Fargo. The motion was unanimously passed. The meeting was adjourned at 8:15 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Joanne Burley
Clerk/Treasurer

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