

MINUTES
VILLAGE BOARD MEETING
July 3, 2018
7:30pm

The Village Board meeting was called to order at 7:30pm with everyone reciting the Pledge of Allegiance. Mayor Klein was absent. Trustee Becker was Mayor Pro Tem. Trustees Yoch, Smallwood, Becherer, Rogers, and Elbe answered roll call.

CLERK'S REPORT: The Board received a copy. A motion was made by Trustee Yoch which was seconded by Trustee Smallwood to accept the minutes from the last board meeting that was held on June 19, 2018. The board was in favor. Motion was granted.

TREASURER'S REPORT: No report.

GOOD OF THE VILLAGE: MIKEY'S PUB OUTSIDE MUSIC PERMIT – Trustee Becker informed the board that the Pilla's have requested two additional outside music dates for Mikey's Pub. Trustee Smallwood made a motion which was seconded by Trustee Elbe to allow an outside band to play at Mikey's Pub on July 8th and 15th, 2018. Roll call was taken: Trustee Smallwood, aye; Trustee Elbe, aye; Trustee Yoch, aye; Trustee Becherer, aye; Trustee Rogers, aye. Motion was granted.

Trustee Smallwood shared a letter from the Smithton Turner Society requesting that a section of North Julia be closed for the Turner Picnic on July 13th and 14th, 2018. Trustee Yoch made a motion which was seconded by Trustee Smallwood to allow the closure of a section of N. Julia on July 13th and 14th, 2018. The board was in favor. Motion was granted.

Rick Mueth addressed the board as the owner of Mueth's Tavern. He stated that the Tavern has been there for many years and generates a lot of revenue for Smithton. He doesn't feel that one or two people should be complaining about the Tavern when he hasn't been approached first about any problems. He said that he does go outside when the bands are playing to see if it is too loud. He follows the state regulations.

Doug Gerold stated that he is not the only one who complained. He had a petition signed by a lot of people.

Trustee Yoch told Mueth that the board listens to residents when they come to a meeting and the minutes may be put into the Freeburg Tribune. Yoch recommended to Mueth that he try to meet with the person who complained and try to work out a solution. This could be done with the Mayor or on their own. Yoch stated that some of the complaints were legitimate but not Mueth's fault.

Shirley Pilla is one the owners of Mikey's Pub and stated that the residents who are complaining bought their homes next to established taverns. She suggested that the bar owners have a meeting and then speak to the Mayor.

Trustee Becker suggested having everyone involved speak at the Committee As a Whole next week. The board agreed to have it put on the agenda.

Nancy Rogers had a complaint about the loud music at Mikey's Pub. She stated that she was up there two weeks ago and the music was too loud to enjoy their meal. She said that she is a nurse and loud noise is harmful to the ears. She stated that someone did turn it down. Mike Pilla stated that they will be happy to turn down the music if someone asks them to.

POLICE CHIEF'S REPORT: No report.

ENGINEER'S REPORT: Engineer Saeger reported that oil and chip bids are due July 10, 2018.

CDBG – Engineer Saeger reported that he has been working with the Grants department regarding the S. Julia Street Project grant to be awarded.

ST. CLAIR COUNTY PARKS GRANT – No report.

ROUTE 159 BIKE TRAIL - Engineer Saeger reported that he met with Frank Dressel and Trustee Yoch this morning. The Complete Streets Committee are trying to come up with the next project that they would like to see started. Options discussed were the bike trail or an additional crosswalk on the south end of town. They also asked Saeger about the possibility of getting grants for the projects. Saeger stated that the Committee will eventually approach the board with ideas.

HEALTH OFFICER'S REPORT: No report.

SAFETY COMMITTEE: Mayor Klein reported that there will be a Safety Committee Meeting scheduled for July 5, 2018 if needed.

ZONING BOARD REPORT: Zoning Administrator Scott Saeger reported that there will be two more variance hearings scheduled in July. Saeger informed the board that the Zoning Hearing to decide on the tabled variance request for Mueth's Tavern will be on July 16, 2018.

SUPERVISORS REPORT: Trustee Becherer reported that there have been a lot of limbs getting picked up that came down during the last storm. Becherer reported that Lloyd Voyles has retired from his part-time summer job with the street crew.

ATTORNEY'S REPORT: No report.

Trustee Yoch made a motion which was seconded by Trustee Smallwood to accept the officer's reports as given. The board was in favor. Motion was granted.

COMMITTEE AS A WHOLE: Trustee Becker reported that there was a Committee As a Whole Meeting on June 26, 2018. The items will be discussed under the individual committee reports.

FINANCE & INSURANCE COMMITTEE: Clerk Boeving informed the board that Christine Fine from IMRF will be at Village Hall July 5, 2018 to meet with the eligible early retirement employees. This will be put on the agenda for the next Committee As a Whole meeting.

There will be a Committee As a Whole meeting on July 10, 2018.

STREET & UTILITY COMMITTEE: 2010 FORD F150 TRANSMISSION – Trustee Becherer reported that Supervisor Fults work truck needs a new transmission. Becherer recommends taking it to Weir Ford and getting a new one and then it will have a three-year, unlimited mile warranty. Becherer will try to get an estimate for the repair costs.

POLICE COMMITTEE: FOP – Trustee Elbe made a motion which was seconded by Trustee Becherer to accept the FOP contract and to allow the Mayor and the Clerk to sign the contract. Roll call was taken: Trustee Elbe, aye; Trustee Becherer, aye; Trustee Yoch, aye; Trustee Smallwood, aye; Trustee Rogers, aye. Motion was granted.

SIREN REPAIR – Trustee Elbe reported that Century Siren now has all of the information that they need to repair the sirens. It will still take another 3-4 weeks to get the sirens repaired.

PARK & CEMETERY COMMITTEE: GRAVE STONE REPAIRS – Trustee Becker reported that the contract has been signed but repairs have not been started yet.

PARK TREES – Trustee Becker reported that the selected trees at the park will need to be cut down before the new trees are put in. It will be fall until the new trees can be planted.

ORDINANCE COMMITTEE: ORDINANCE NO. 917 - Trustee Yoch made a motion which was seconded by Trustee Becherer to have Clerk Boeving read Ordinance No. 917 by title only. Roll call was taken: Trustee Yoch, aye; Trustee Becherer, aye; Trustee Smallwood, aye; Trustee Rogers, aye; Trustee Elbe, aye. Motion was granted. Clerk Boeving read Ordinance No. 917 by title only. Trustee Yoch made a motion which was seconded by Trustee Becherer to adopt Ordinance 917 to renew the contract with Waste Management. Roll call was taken: Trustee Yoch, aye; Trustee Becherer, aye; Trustee Smallwood, aye; Trustee Rogers, aye; Trustee Elbe, aye. Motion was granted. Yoch stated that there are two copies of the contracts to be signed. One will be sent to Waste Management.

CODIFICATION UPDATE – Trustee Yoch would like this put on the agenda for the next Committee As a Whole meeting.

ORDINANCE VIOLATIONS/BRUCE ANDERSON – No report.

ORDINANCE VIOLATIONS/BECKER & BERTELSMAN – No report.

SMITHTON LUMBER COMPANY SIGN – No report.

SMALL WIRELESS FACILITIES ORDINANCE – No report.

ANNEXATION AND BUILDING COMMITTEE: No report.

BILLS AND PAYROLL: Trustee Smallwood made a motion which was seconded by Trustee Rogers to pay the bills from June and payroll from June 16, 2018 to June 29, 2018. Roll call was taken: Trustee Smallwood, aye; Trustee Rogers, aye; Trustee Yoch, aye; Trustee Becherer, aye; Trustee Elbe, aye. Motion was granted.

COMMUNICATIONS: Village Clerk Boeving shared a letter from Trinity Faith Tabernacle asking permission to use the Village Park for Vacation Bible School from July 23, 2018 through July 27, 2018. It will be held in the evenings. Trustee Yoch made a motion which was seconded by Trustee Rogers to allow the park to be used July 23, 2018 through July 27, 2018 by Trinity Faith Tabernacle for their Vacation Bible School. Roll call was taken: Trustee Yoch, aye, Trustee Rogers, aye; Trustee Becherer, aye; Trustee Smallwood, aye; Trustee Elbe, aye. Motion was granted.

The July Mayors' meeting will be on July 26, 2018 at the Four Points Hotel in Fairview Heights. Anyone attending should inform Clerk Boeving.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS: Trustee Smallwood will be riding in the Homecoming Parade.

GOOD OF THE VILLAGE: Shirley Pilla stated that anyone complaining about the music being too loud at Mikey's Pub is stating their opinion only. A decibel level is not part of the Ordinance. She stated that they are trying to be conscious of the noise level. Nancy Rogers stated that continued exposure to loud noise can damage the hearing over time. Mike Pilla understood but stated that it is up to personal preference whether someone stays or not.

Doug Gerold wanted clarification on something that Attorney Durso said at the last meeting. The board replied that Attorney Durso will be back at the next board meeting if Gerold wants to speak to him.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: None

A motion was made by Trustee Yoch and seconded by Trustee Elbe to adjourn. All Board members were in favor. Motion was granted. Meeting adjourned at 8:15pm.