

MINUTES
VILLAGE BOARD MEETING
August 7, 2018
7:30pm

The Village Board meeting was called to order at 7:30pm with everyone reciting the Pledge of Allegiance. Everyone remained standing for a moment of silence in Honor of Former Trustee Charles “Buddy” Bauer who passed away August 3, 2018. Buddy served as Trustee from 1977 to 2009. Trustees Yoch, Smallwood, Becherer, Rogers, and Elbe answered roll call. Trustee Becker came in at 7:37pm.

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 July 17, 2018. The board was in favor. Motion was granted.

Mayor Klein thanked Trustee Becker for filling in for him at the two recent meetings that Klein could not attend. He thanked the board for taking care of everything at the meetings.

TREASURER’S REPORT: The board has a copy.

GOOD OF THE VILLAGE: MIKEY’S PUB OUTSIDE MUSIC PERMIT – Mayor Klein informed the board that the Pilla’s have requested two additional outside music dates for Mikey’s Pub. Trustee Yoch made a motion which was seconded by Trustee Elbe to allow an outside band to play at Mikey’s Pub on August 12th and 19th 2018. Roll call was taken: Trustee Yoch, aye; Trustee Elbe, aye; Trustee Becker, aye; Trustee Smallwood, aye; Trustee Becherer, aye; Trustee Rogers, aye. Motion was granted.

Smithton resident Gail Dixon informed the board that her son had need of an ambulance on the day of the Homecoming Parade and it took at least 20 minutes for the ambulance to arrive. Mayor Klein informed her that the village has no control over the ambulance service. It depends where the ambulance service is located. Klein informed her that the Smithton Fire Department is a separate entity that holds their own meetings if she wants to address them about it.

POLICE CHIEF’S REPORT: No report.

ENGINEER’S REPORT: CDBG – Engineer Saeger reported that the village did receive authorization from the grant board to give notice of intent to award Hank’s Excavating the contract for the South Julia Street Project. Saeger is preparing the contracts to be signed.

ST. CLAIR COUNTY PARKS GRANT APPLICATION – Engineer Saeger reported that he will be submitting a partial reimbursement request this week for the trailer, mowers and asphalt/concrete work that the street crew have done so far. There will be more reimbursement requests in the future for the fishing dock materials and parking lot. Mayor Klein told the board that the grants department administrator has passed away. There is a new administrator in place now and a meeting has been scheduled for August 10, 2018 at the St. Clair County courthouse. Klein will attend and stated that a grant can be applied for in the next cycle.

ROUTE 159 BIKE TRAIL – Engineer Saeger reported that there is a grant cycle opening up from September 24, 2018 to November 19, 2018 in which grants could be submitted for Safe Routes to School. Trustee Yoch stated that the Complete Streets Organization is interested in moving the cross-walk signal one block South to Franklin Street. If the school kids could enter the school through the back entrance it would eliminate pedestrians walking along South Street when the street is congested with vehicle traffic for school pick-up and drop-offs. If a grant could be received it could help with the costs of moving the signal and sidewalks could possibly be put in along Main Street and Franklin Street. Sidewalks could possibly be extended along Bertille Street and Main Street. Mayor Klein stated that the Public School would need to be checked with to see if they would like the kids coming and going through the back entrance. Resident Frank Dressel has been working on ideas for the streets and cross-walks. Dressel also recommends a light on the crosswalk to let pedestrians know when the light is changing. Dressel referred to the path along Highway 159 that is being discussed. He asked the board to consider widening the distance between the path and the Highway if possible and not just putting it along the right-of-way. Dressel and his committee thinks that it would be safer for children when they walk the path unattended. Dressel asked if signs could be put up advertising the future plans for the walk way so that future developers would be aware of it. Klein stated that it could be looked into.

MFT – Engineer Saeger reported that H & M have finished their concrete projects under the 2017 MFT funding. Saeger did add some quantities to the amount. The entrance to Tall Timbers had cracks in the pavement that needed to be filled and there was a curb on Wildhorse Road that needed to be replaced due to street creep. The final bill was \$27,865.00. Trustee Becherer made a motion which was seconded by Trustee Yoch to pay H & M \$27,865.00 for contracted work. Roll call was taken: Trustee Becherer, aye; Trustee Yoch, aye, Trustee Becker, aye, Trustee Smallwood, aye; Trustee Rogers, aye; Trustee Elbe, aye. Motion was granted.

Engineer Saeger reported to the board that he received a complaint from a resident about the durability of an expansion joint that had been installed in his driveway. Saeger and Mayor Klein looked at the expansion joint and decided that an eight-inch steel plate could be added over the width and length of the expansion joint as well as the sidewalk expansion joint that was put in. Klein stated that this will be the third time that this area has needed repair due to street creep. Klein and Saeger hope that the expansion joint plate will allow for any future street creep to flow under the joint plate. The board agreed that the plates should be installed.

Engineer Saeger reported that there was a section of sidewalk that needed to be replaced by H & M that would not be the same as the unit price in the contract since it was repaired at a different time.

The price for that was \$950.00. Saeger stated that the price for that could not come out of MFT funds.

Engineer Saeger reminded the board that he had given them oil and chip bids at the last meeting. Beelman was the lowest bidder for both chip supply at \$13,435.20 and loading and spreading slag at \$3732.00 for a total of \$17,167.20. Wolfmeier Truck Service was lowest bidder for CA6 supply with a cost of \$1844.00 for 200 tons. JTC Petroleum was lowest bidder for oil supply and spreading with a cost of \$24,564.26. Trustee Becherer made a motion which was seconded by Trustee Rogers to hire Beelman Trucking for \$13,435.20 for chip supply and slag loading and spreading; Wolfmeier Truck Service for \$1844.00 for CA6 supply; JTC Petroleum for \$24,564.26 for oil supply and spreading. Roll call was taken: Trustee Becherer, aye; Trustee Rogers, aye; Trustee Becker, aye; Trustee Yoch, aye; Trustee Smallwood, aye; Trustee Elbe, aye. Motion was granted.

HEALTH OFFICER'S REPORT: No report.

SAFETY COMMITTEE: Mayor Klein reported that there is a Safety Committee Meeting scheduled for September 6, 2018 if needed.

ZONING BOARD REPORT: Zoning Administrator Saeger informed the board that there was a zoning board hearing for a fence variance at 313 Buchanan Street to install an 8-foot privacy fence. The variance was approved. The hearing also included a variance request for a garage replacement at 402 South Main Street. The variance was approved. There are no further hearings scheduled.

SUPERVISORS REPORT: Supervisor Fults reported that the project at the public school has been completed.

Supervisor Fults reported that they repaired a pinhole water line leak on Cortner Drive.

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: Mayor Klein reported that there was a Committee As a Whole Meeting on July 24, 2018. The items will be discussed under the individual committee reports. Klein would like to schedule the next Committee As a Whole meeting for August 14, 2018. Klein has six items on the agenda for now.

FINANCE & INSURANCE COMMITTEE: No report.

STREET & UTILITY COMMITTEE: 2010 FORD F150 TRANSMISSION – Trustee Becherer reported that the truck has been repaired.

RADIATOR/HEAD GASKETS FOR GENERATORS - Engineer Saeger asked Trustee Becherer for an update on the bids. Saeger stated that he has received some bids. Becherer asked Saeger to get him copies of the bids and then he and Saeger can meet to discuss it.

POLICE COMMITTEE: FOP CONTRACT – Trustee Elbe reported that everything is completed with the FOP contract.

SIREN REPAIR – Trustee Elbe reported that the check was sent for the siren boxes so they should be delivered soon.

PARK & CEMETERY COMMITTEE: GRAVE STONE REPAIRS – No report.

PARK TREES – Trustee Becker would like to get started on the projects in the park. Mayor Klein stated that there are a few projects being completed in town but the projects in the park should begin soon.

ORDINANCE COMMITTEE: CODIFICATION UPDATE – Trustee Yoch reported that the board has made more progress with the code book update. Yoch would like this on the agenda for the next Committee As a Whole meeting. Attorney Durso is making a comparison of recommendations to state statutes as he goes through the book. Yoch stated that the board is compiling a list also and will give it to Durso when they are done.

ORDINANCE VIOLATIONS/BRUCE ANDERSON – Attorney Durso reported that Chief Vielweber is going to take pictures of the property when he returns from vacation. Discussion of the next action to take can begin then.

ORDINANCE VIOLATIONS/BECKER & BERTELSMAN – No report.

SMITHTON LUMBER COMPANY SIGN – No report.

DISTURBING THE PEACE ORDINANCE – Trustee Yoch asked the board if they agreed to keep the Ordinance as it is. Mayor Klein and the board agreed that no changes are needed at this time.

ANNEXATION AND BUILDING COMMITTEE: MEETING ROOM SAFETY GLASS FILM – The safety film was applied to the selected windows and doors at the Police Station and Village Hall on 8-6-18.

BILLS AND PAYROLL: Trustee Smallwood made a motion which was seconded by Trustee Yoch to pay July bills and the payroll from July 14, 2018 to July 27, 2018. Roll call was taken: Trustee Smallwood, aye; Trustee Yoch, aye; Trustee Becker, aye; Trustee Becherer, aye; Trustee Rogers, aye; Trustee Elbe, aye. Motion was granted.

COMMUNICATIONS: Village Clerk Boeving shared a request for a local soccer team to hold practices in the park. Trustee Yoch made a motion which was seconded by Trustee Elbe to allow Mike Schilling’s soccer team to hold practices in the park, contingent upon providing a certificate of insurance. Roll call was taken: Trustee Yoch, aye; Trustee Elbe, aye; Trustee Becker, aye; Trustee Smallwood, aye; Trustee Becherer, aye; Trustee Rogers, aye. Motion was granted.

Village Clerk Boeving shared a request to be a sponsor for a Memorial Golf Tournament. Trustee Yoch made a motion which was seconded by Trustee Rogers to sponsor a hole at the Clete Schwaegel Memorial Golf Tournament for the amount of \$50.00. Roll call was taken: Trustee Yoch, aye; Trustee Rogers, aye; Trustee Becker, aye; Trustee Smallwood, aye; Trustee Becherer, aye; Trustee Elbe, aye. Motion was granted.

Village Clerk Boeving informed the board that the August Mayor's Meeting will be at the Hofbrauhaus in Belleville on August 23, 2018. Mayor Klein and Attorney Durso stated that they will attend the meeting.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS: Mayor Klein and the board all received a letter from Clerk Boeving announcing her retirement effective August 31, 2018. Klein stated that at the next Village Board meeting he will announce her replacement for the position of Village Clerk.

Mayor Klein reported to the board that he would like to appoint Deputy Clerk Annette Parker as the new IMRF authorization agent. She will be replacing Clerk Boeving. Trustee Becherer made a motion which was seconded by Trustee Smallwood to appoint Deputy Clerk Annette Parker as the IMRF authorization agent. Roll call was taken: Trustee Becherer, aye; Trustee Smallwood, aye; Trustee Becker, aye; Trustee Yoch, aye; Trustee Rogers, aye; Trustee Elbe, aye. Motion was granted.

GOOD OF THE VILLAGE: None.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: None.

A motion was made by Trustee Yoch and seconded by Trustee Rogers to adjourn. All Board members were in favor. Motion was granted. Meeting adjourned at 8:30pm.