

## Regular Meeting

April 13, 2020

The Village of Ashton Board of Trustees met at 7:00 P.M. April 13, 2020 in a zoom meeting with President Henert presiding. Trustees in attendance were Jeff Clark, Chuck Ellis, Martha Holder, Susan Larson, Ryan Pettenger and Jerry Williams.

Motion was made by Holder, seconded by Clark to approve the March minutes. Voice votes, 6 ayes – Clark, Ellis, Holder, Larson, Pettenger, and Williams. 0 nays. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Pettenger, seconded by Holder to draw upon the treasury to pay the monthly bills, payroll, additional bills in the amount of \$45,219.44. Voice votes, 6 ayes – Clark, Ellis, Holder, Larson, Pettenger, and Williams. 0 nays. Motion carried.

Old Business- Back hoe issues from last month- Henert reported Flagg Township is selling an 05 Cat 420 B it has 5000 hours and they are looking to sell it for about \$12,000.00 Motion made by Ellis to buy the backhoe from Flagg for \$12,000.00 seconded by Clark. Roll Call vote Clark-aye, Ellis-aye, Holder-aye, Larson-aye, Pettenger-aye and Williams-aye. 6-ayes. 0-nays. Motion carried.

New Business- Kessel Farm Inc has a skid loader for sale, they will take \$2000.00 and the trade of our backhoe. Motion made by Pettenger to purchase seconded by Ellis. Roll Call vote Clark-aye, Ellis-aye, Holder-aye, Larson-aye, Pettenger-aye and Williams-aye. 6-ayes. 0-nays. Motion carried. Jerry Williams has an air hammer for sale for \$500.00. Motion by Holder to purchase seconded by Ellis. Roll Call vote Clark-aye, Ellis-aye, Holder-aye, Larson-aye, Pettenger-aye and Williams-abstained. 5-ayes. 0-nays. 1-Abstained. Motion carried.

Henert talked about adding to the blight ordinance and adding in a time limit for garbage cans being left out. Holder made a motion to add garbage cans can be put out Sunday at 6:00 am and brought back in by Tuesday at 8:00 am and will follow the existing fine schedule. Roll Call vote Clark-aye, Ellis-nay, Holder-aye, Larson-aye, Pettenger-aye and Williams-aye. 5-ayes. 1-nays. Motion carried.

Henert showed the board a proposal from Willett-Hofmann for a street improvement. Holder made a motion to accept going out for bid using Motor Fuel Tax finds in the amount of \$91,957.54 seconded by Williams. Roll Call vote Clark-aye, Ellis-aye, Holder-aye, Larson-aye, Pettenger-aye and Williams-aye. 6-ayes. 0-nays. Motion carried.

Henert wants to change the parking ordinance to include not being able to park in side yards. A motion was made by Pettenger to change the wording in the ordinance to include side yards seconded by Larson. Roll Call vote Clark-aye, Ellis-aye, Holder-aye, Larson-aye, Pettenger-aye and Williams-aye. 6-ayes. 0-nays. Motion carried.

Thank you to whoever picked up sticks at the park.

Henert would like to waive the liquor license fee this year to help out the businesses during this time. Holder made a motion to waive the fee for this year seconded by Ellis. Roll Call vote Clark-aye, Ellis-aye, Holder-aye, Larson-aye, Pettenger-aye and Williams-aye. 6-ayes. 0-nays. Motion carried.

Ellis received new mowing bids for the cemetery and we will be using a new company as their bid came in lower.

Crull is working on 804 and 806 Main St, the roof is blowing onto the street.

Holder made a motion to adjourn seconded by Pettenger. Voice votes, 6 ayes – Clark, Ellis, Holder, Larson, Pettenger, and Williams. 0 nays. Motion carried.

7:32 PM

Meghan Clark, Village Clerk