

Regular Meeting

June 12, 2017

The Village of Ashton Board of Trustees met at 7:00 P.M. June 12, 2017 in the Village Hall with President Henert presiding. Trustees in attendance were Martha Holder, Mandi Kersten, Dean Meurer, and Chris Woodall.

Motion was made by Kersten, seconded by Woodall to approve the May minutes. Voice votes, 4 ayes - Holder, Kersten, Meurer, and Woodall. 4-ayes 0 nays 2 absent Schopp and Pettenger. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Holder, seconded by Kersten to draw upon the treasury to pay the monthly bills, payroll, additional bills in the amount of \$90,685.35. Woodall mentioned he would be willing to do computer work for the village in the future as this is his field of study. Voice votes, 4 ayes - Holder, Kersten, Meurer, and Woodall. 4-ayes 0 nays 2 absent Schopp and Pettenger. Motion carried.

Jill Rohr-Stamm at 809 Douglas was concerned that the ordinance about dog ordinance stated no barking and didn't have a stated time of when it was a nuisance, Crull read the ordinance and said that it did not say no barking and it was a neighbor issue not an ordinance issue. Monetta Young also stated she was having problems with a neighbor over the issue. Henert stated he would work with Officer Yater and the neighbor to resolve the issue. Jill was also concerned with the parking on North 3rd Street blocking traffic, Yater is working on this issue to possibly change the side of the NO Parking on that section of the street.

Lois Erickson mentioned that downtown looks nice even though she still doesn't like the stop signs.

Mike Mudge presented the board with options for street lighting contracts that were lower than the Com Ed rate we currently have (see attached). He also presented options for the pumping contract that would end in November. Holder made a motion to accept the contract on street lighting for the village with Constellation seconded by Kersten. Roll Call Vote. Holder-aye, Kersten-aye, Meurer-aye, and Woodall-aye. 4-ayes 0 nays 2 absent Schopp and Pettenger. Motion carried. The board will wait on the pumping contract bid until closer to the time of renewal.

Henert asked the board to approve the changing of signers on all bank accounts and lock boxes a held at First National Bank from the current signers to Tim Henert, Meghan Clark, and Christen Schopp. He would also like the name on the village credit card changed from Don Ross to Tim Henert. A motion was made by Schopp to approve changing signers on the bank account, lock boxes and credit card as Henert recommended. Seconded by Kersten. Roll Call Vote. Holder-Aye, Kersten-Aye, Meurer-aye, Pettenger-Aye, Schopp-aye, and Woodall-aye. 6-ayes 0-nays. Motion Carried.

Henert asked that the Ashton Care Pantry account be moved over to a village account and having Tom Balch, Tim Henert, Meghan Clark, and Christen Schopp as signers on the account. Holder made a motion to change the Ashton Care Pantry account into a Village of Ashton account with Balch, Henert, Clark, and Schopp as signers on the account seconded by Kersten. Roll Call Vote. Holder-Aye, Kersten-Aye, Meurer-aye, Pettenger-Aye, Schopp-aye, and Woodall-aye. 6-ayes 0-nays. Motion Carried.

Manheim reported he has sent lots letters out for violations in the last month.

Streets and Alleys committee reported that Main Street had been restriped, the landscape downtown was in and looking good. A big thank you to Crest Foods for purchasing the landscaping materials.

Water and Sewer committee reported that the South Paddock project was done, the roof at the shop is being worked on.

Park committee reported that the events for the celebration went well and the new playground equipment would arrive in June.

Clark introduced the Estimated Revenue and Budgeted Expenditures, Annual Appropriation Ordinance, and the Prevailing Wage Ordinance for fiscal year 2017-2018 to be passed at the July meeting. Clark asked the board for approval to change signers on the investment account to Henert, Clark, and Schopp. Motioned was made by Kersten, seconded by Holder to change signers on the investment accounts to Henert, Clark, and Schopp. Roll Call Vote. Holder-Aye, Kersten-Aye, Meurer-aye, Pettenger-Aye, Schopp-aye, and Woodall-aye. 6-ayes 0-nays. Motion Carried.

Cemetery Board reported that 4-H kids cleaned headstones at the cemetery and it looked very nice for Memorial Day.

Kersten reported that the cake walk went well at the celebration, tuck pointing and air conditioning were projects being worked on and Dan Stumpfenhorst has been appointed the new chairman for the board.

Other Business

Casper is working on removing the tree on Douglas and we will be patching pot holes around town.

Thank you to all who helped with the Celebration, it was a good weekend.

Henert made a recommendation the board to give 2% raises to the village employees, excluding the Mills and Petrie Staff. Schopp made a motion to give the 2% raises to the village employees, excluding the Mills and Petrie Staff seconded by Pettenger. Roll Call Vote. Holder-Aye, Kersten-Aye, Meurer-aye, Pettenger-Aye, Schopp-aye, and Woodall-aye. 6-eyes 0-nays. Motion Carried.

Holder made a motion, seconded by Woodall to adjourn. Voice votes, 4 ayes - Holder, Kersten, Meurer, and Woodall. 4-eyes 0 nays 2 absent Schopp and Pettenger. Motion carried. 7:45 PM

Meghan Clark, Village Clerk