

**Ashton Village Board**  
**Regular Meeting**  
**June 14, 2021**

The Village of Ashton Board of Trustees met at 7:00 pm Monday June 14,2021 with President Henert presiding. Trustees in attendance were Martha Holder, Susan Larson, David Chapman, Rhonda Cardot and Ermir Ramadani. Chuck Ellis was absent.

A Motion was made by Holder and seconded by Ramadani to approve the May minutes. Voice votes 5 yeas and 1 absent. Motion carried.

A Motion was made by Holder and seconded by Larson to draw upon the Treasury to pay the monthly bills (as presented). payroll, additional bills (11,676.60)as presented. Voice vote 5 yeas and 1 absent. Motion carried.

Citizens to be heard:

Al Kvoool was not in attendance as previously requested. Don Weyh and Lyle Sword were in attendance also and had concerns about the garbage and debt service increase.

Old Business:

The Board discussed the forgiveness of loans on the village books from the prior fiscal year end. Social Security fund (\$978.66), Audit fund (2,652.79), Insurance fund (16,811.06) and Workers Comp fund (14,323.18). Motion was made by Larson and seconded by Holder. Voice vote 5 yeas and 1 absent. Motion carried.

The Board discussed the combining of Village accounts as recommended by the auditors. A Motion was made by Larson and seconded by Ramadani. Voice vote 5 yeas and 1 absent. Motion carried.

A motion was made to request reimbursement from the Blum foundation for a proposal as requested by Blum to fix and/or repair the splash pad for \$2,353.13. Motion was made by Holder and seconded by Cardot. Voice vote 5 yeas and 1 absent. Motion carried.

Committee reports

Zoning – Manheim reported on new on ongoing permits being requested, letters going out in regards to grass etc....

Community Economic Development- Ramadani gave report and still getting his feet wet in this area.

Streets and Alleys - Bids for street work will be coming in shortly.

Water and sewer - A Motion was made by Holder and seconded by Larson to increase the Garbage rate (\$9.51 per Quarter)and Debt Service rate to \$20.22 per Quarter. Voice vote 5 yeas and 1 absent. Motion carried. (See attached)

Parks – Holder gave an update on the summer programs just beginning and future plans for their committee into the fall.

Liquor Commissioner – nothing new

Clerk's Report - Larson and Henert presented the tentative Estimated Revenue and Budgeted Expenditures for fiscal year 2021-2022 along with the Annual Appropriation Ordinance to be approved at the July 2021 meeting.

Cemetery Board – Henert presented in Ellis' absence a bid from Warner Landscape for a new sitting area at the cemetery(34,661). Motion was made by Holder and seconded by Cardott to discuss. This was tabled until the July 2021 meeting to gather more information.

Mills & Petrie – Holder gave a report to the Board along with concerns over the financial reports getting aligned.

Police report – Yater gave his report for the month. Yater also resigned his position as Police Chief effective 6/25 due to his retirement from Lee County . A Motion was made by Holder and seconded by Larson to accept his resignation with regrets. Voice vote 5 yeas and 1 absent. Motion carried.

The Board then made a Motion by Larson and seconded by Larson at 8:45 pm to go in to Executive session to discuss personnel. Voice vote 5 yeas and 1 absent. Motion carried.

Motion was made @ 9:07p by Holder and seconded by Larson to return to regular session. Voice vote 5 yeas and 1 absent. Motion carried.

Being no further discussions a motion was made by Holder and seconded by Cardot to adjourn @ 9:08pm. Voice vote 5 yeas and 1 absent. Motion carried.

Susan Larson  
Vice President in absence of Village Clerk