

VILLAGE HALL OF HARRISTOWN

December 20,2021

The Village of Harristown Board of Trustees held their monthly meeting on December 20, 2021 at 185 N. Kembark St, Harristown, IL. Trustees Teresa Acree, Jay Trusner, Kourt Mooney, Kevin Vessels, Les Jenkins, Budget Officer Rick Laskowski, Attorney Andrew Weatherford, Clerk Penny Allen and Mayor Evelyn Deverell were present. Trustee Larry Ditty and Treasurer Julie Rose was absent. The meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Adopt Meeting Agenda

Motion by Trustee Acree to adopt the meeting agenda. Trustee Vessels 2nd. Approved 5-0

Approval of Minutes

November 22, 2021 minutes –Motion by Trustee Vessels to approve the minutes. Trustee Jenkins 2nd. Approved 5-0.

Visitors

Darla Coit-7440 W. Wood-discussed an issue in her neighborhood. In a residents backyard, location Twin Lakes/Main Street -there is industrial equipment being stored there; dump truck, industrial truck, paving equipment. People at this residents leave at 6 am everyday and more staff keeps appearing. This is a residential neighborhood and a business should not be allowed. She thought there were ordinances to so this did not happen. When she looks out her back door, this is all she can see. There is normally 2-3 dump trucks, machine on a trailer, and rock being dumped there. Trustee Mooney questioned Mayor Deverell how many complaints have been received regarding this. Mayor Deverell stated this is the 3rd formal complaint.

Mayor Updates

Gaming Ordinance – currently charge \$25 fee per gaming terminal. Per state, can charge up to \$250/per terminal.

Santa at the Hall-Santa and Mrs. Claus arrived by firetruck. There were approximately 50 children in addition to adults.

Well Leases-still working on this

Currently get approximately \$700/month from Pop’s Place in sales tax. Mayor Deverell has a list if anyone wants to look at it

David Pistoris from the bank knows a lot about bonds. Mayor Deverell would like to have him come to a meeting and do a presentation –perhaps January or February meeting.

Treasurer

<i>JCG Midwest</i>	<i>Birks Culvert</i>	<i>\$ 1200.00 GF</i>
<i>Gunther Salt</i>	<i>Salt</i>	<i>\$ 3705.53 WF</i>
<i>MasterMeter</i>	<i>Meter reading/software yearly fee</i>	<i>\$ 750 WF / \$750 SF</i>

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Moran Assistance/support RediMix \$ 1258.72 TIF

Chastain construction/observation IEPA load \$3808.88 WF

Motion by Trustee Vessels to approve the above bills total \$11,473.13. Trustee Acree 2nd. Approved 5-0.

Motion by Trustee Vessels to approve Treasurers report. Trustee Acree 2nd. Approved 5-0.

Budget Officer Report

Budget Officer Laskowski discussed.

Trustee Acree questioned if we did not auction off some items? Why is it not showing? BO Laskowski stated it is probably showing as income and he will correct on next report. Motion by Trustee Trusner to approve. Trustee Jenkins 2nd. Approved 5-0.

Engineer Report

Project 6899 water improvement/tower/IEPA loan-construction to date – Water tower painting and electrical is complete. Decatur interconnect pump station has been delivered and water mains connected to it. Contractor is working on running power to it. Chemical feed vault is installed at new water tower site and chemical feed building is set. Water main has been installed to the chemical feed vault for new water tower.

Suburban Street Jurisdictional Transfer-request to IDOT to address the lack of language for the future ownership of the right a way. Waiting on their direction

MFT Drainage- waiting on the jurisdictional transfer

Caldwell Tank-received an affidavit from Mr. Russell. A resolution will need to be passed; the village is the only one that can issue a variance. Attorney Weatherford will get one drawn up.

Jonathon Closs is concerned about our water. He said we currently produce about as much as we use a day. How are we going to fill up the new water tower? Could wait until coop is up or use Decatur water. He said they tell him we have to flush our entire system out if we use Decatur because Decatur is service water from a lake and ours is ground and each is treated two different ways. Ron Legnor said may have to process a time extension to Caldwell if we want to fill when coop is on line. Need to make a decision by next meeting in case have to process a time extension. Jon will get a second opinion regarding Decatur water.

Public Works

Jonathon Closs discussed. He did get the salt spreader working

Old Business

Water Main on Wyckles-tabled until later in meeting

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CCI RediMix- Mayor Deverell received a phone call/CCI will possibly be purchasing 10 acres (southern most) of the property that the cannabis dispensary purchased (they purchased 22 acres). This is located on Western Ave. Will discuss in closed session.

New Business

2022 Monthly meetings

<i>Jan 24</i>	<i>May 23</i>	<i>Sept 26</i>
<i>Feb 28</i>	<i>June 27</i>	<i>Oct 24</i>
<i>March 28</i>	<i>July 25</i>	<i>Nov 28</i>
<i>April 18</i>	<i>Aug 22</i>	<i>Dec 19</i>

Motion by Trustee Trusner to approve the above 2022 meeting dates. Trustee Jenkins 2nd. Approved 5-0

Garbage Haulers- Area Disposal had a meeting with Mayor Deverell to discuss a contract with the village and be the only hauler allowed in Harristown. The Board is not interested in looking at any proposals

Customer on West main (Parrish) had a massive leak, 55,000 gallons. Bill was \$1300. Gave a sewer credit and a \$50 good will adjustment, bill still \$850. Jonathon Closs stated that Niantic gives one a year write off to residents with issues such as this. Trustee Vessels said where he lived previously, they would write off the bill down to what a residents normal bill was. Mayor Deverell will work on his balance. Need to rewrite the ordinance for leak issues

Personnel Committee

Personnel issue will be discussed in closed session.

Streets and Alleys Committee-nothing to report

Finance Committee-nothing to report

Ordinance Committee -nothing to report

Water and Sewer Committee

URWC-they are saying they are on track. Say water main should be done at end of February

Economic Development Committee

121 Coffee Run and facelift 4335 W. Main-will discuss in closed session

Motion by Trustee Vessels to enter closed session to discuss 121 Coffee Run, facelift for 4335 W. Main, personnel issue, CCI, and ordinance violation updates. Trustee Jenkins 2nd. Approved 5-0

Enter closed session at 7:30 pm

Back to open/regular session at 8:26 pm

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Mayor Deverell will talk to 121 Coffee Run (locating to 4314 W Main St) and see if they have any ideas on what the village could help them with; offer an incentive for locating here.

4335 W. Main – possible face lift. Mayor Deverell will gather more information and a cost on a face lift. Perhaps painting, awning etc.

Motion by Trustee Acree to adjourn. Trustee Vessels 2nd. Approved 5-0

Meeting adjourned at 8:28 pm

Penny J. Allen

Village Clerk