

VILLAGE HALL OF HARRISTOWN

June 29, 2020

The Village of Harristown Board of Trustees held their monthly meeting on June 29, 2020 at 7500 W Main apt 3. Trustee Les Jenkins, Larry Ditty, Cody Endrizzi, Teresa Acree, Becky Nave, Treasurer Rose, Budget Officer Laskowski, Attorney Drew Weatherford, Clerk Allen and Mayor Deverell was present. Trustee Kevin Vessels was absent. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Visitors

Maurice and Franny Doyle-5205 West Main-Mr. Doyle discussed the house at 153 Western. The yard is a mess, 2-3 vehicles in the backyard. He said someone lives in one of the trailers on the property. He also discussed 5235 W. Main-this property goes behind his property and the weeds and grass is at least 2 ft high; needs to be mowed. Mayor Deverell asked the Attorney, how does the village prove that someone is living in the trailer? Attorney Weatherford said Mr. Doyle can act as a witness to this. Mr. Doyle also said he thinks they have at least 6 dogs that run loose. Attorney will send notice of violation on these issues.

Joseph Albright-133 Western Drive- he discussed the letter he received from the village regarding go carts/mini bikes on his own property. He said he was not aware of the 8 pm ordinance for noise. He has talked to the neighbor, Shepherd, that complained and everything has been worked out and agreement made. If anything else comes up, the Mayor will let him know.

Consent agenda/minutes

Motion by Trustee Endrizzi to accept the agenda and meeting minutes from April 28 and June 1st with a correction on the June 1st minutes of Emmerich Holman spelling Acree 2nd. Approved 5-0.

Mayor Updates

Firewords-was very good-was able to get a few flags up

Rummage sales-will be July 17 and 18

Ruby Rabbit-will be out in July

Certificate of occupancy-Is this needed? The new building is 75% done; walk thru next week. Attorney will check to see if this certificate will be needed.

DMCOC- available to help residents

Go-carts/4 wheelers-Mayor said residents can call the sheriff to report or if you know who they are, tell her and she will send a letter.

Mrs. Jensen-has been vandalized three times. Mayor is sending letters to residents in Old Harristown to watch out for their neighbors.

Health Insurance-\$300 less a month..

Treasurers Report-Authorize Paying of Bills.

Motion by Trustee Acree to approve the finance report. Endrizzi 2nd. Approved 5-0.

Motion by Trustee Endrizzi to approve to pay the bill to Menards for \$1,369.39. Ditty 2nd. Approved 5-0.

Motion by Trustee Endrizzi to approve to pay Chastian bills \$12,381.33. Acree 2nd. Approved 4-1 (abstained)

Budget Officers Report

Motion by Trustee Endrizzi to approve as ordinance 20-05 budget for 2020-2021. Ditty 2nd. Roll call: Endrizzi, yes; Jenkins, yes; Nave, yes, Ditty, yes; Acree, yes. Approved 5-0. Motion by Trustee Ditty to accept the budget officers report. Nave 2nd. Approved 5-0.

Engineers Report

Water Improvement/tower/IEPA Loan-IEPA issued a loan offer for the new water tower and interconnect work. Loan offer included grant of \$800,000 to be taken off of the final loan amount at end of construction. The load term is 20 years with annual fixed rate of 1.5%. Next step is to sign the load documents and issue a notice to proceed to the low bidders. An accrual audit for water and sewer is what IEPA wants. We have until August 17, 2020 to sign loan acceptance. Attorney Weatherford will look this over before we sign. Motion by Trustee Endrizzi, pending legal review and approval by our Attorney, approval for Mayor to sign the loan documents. Jenkins 2nd. Roll call: Nave, yes; Endrizzi, yes; Jenkins, yes; Ditty, yes; Acree, yes. Approved 5-0. Motion by Trustee Jenkins to award bids, pending signing the loan documents to Burdick for the construction of the Decatur interconnection for \$593,224. Ditty 2nd. Roll call: Ditty, yes; Acree, yes; Nave, yes; Endrizzi, yes; Jenkins, yes. Approved 5-0. Motion by Trustee Endrizzi to award bid to Caldwell Tanks Inc for the water tower for \$1,598,000. Roll call: Nave, yes; Endrizzi, yes, Jenkins, yes; Ditty, yes, Acree, yes. Approved 5-0.

Parking Lot-Received 4 bids. Motion by Trustee Ditty to go with a concrete parking lot and award to 4MC Corp, the lowest bidder, for \$101,849.50. Endrizzi 2nd. Roll call: Ditty, yes; Acree, yes; Nave, no; Endrizzi, yes, Jenkins, yes. Approved 4-1. Mayor will sign bid awards.

Parks Brothers-West Main Street Sewer and Water Main extensions- Two bids received. Motion by Trustee Acree to award bid to Petersburg Plumbing \$90,990 for the water main/sewer extension 4380 West Main St. Jenkins 2nd. Approved 5-0.

Tabled the construction agreement with Chastain for 4380 West Main.

Easements-will be discussed in closed session

Public Works-

EJ Water and sewer operator contracts-Mayor has already signed these
Attorney stated there are three different termination clauses with this contract

Public works Building-walls are up and the roof is on. Need to back fill with rock and put doors up

Zoning Committee - Nothing

Old Business

URWC agreement-tabled

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State Licensed and gaming ordinance-fee per machine raised to \$50 (was \$25). Motion by Trustee Jenkins to approve as ordinance 20-6, state licensed gaming ordinance. Acree 2nd. Roll call: Nave, yes; Endrizzi, yes, Jenkins, yes, Ditty, yes; Acree, yes. Approved 5-0.

New Business-Nothing

Personnel Committee

Trustee Endrizzi discussed the requirement of employees to sign their time cards. Suggested to have a 2 hour guaranteed call in time to be paid. Employees to get paid sick leave but no carry overs/no cash out. Village will provide health insurance for full time employees. The issue of if employees can carry their own health insurance and receive a stipen from the village for this purpose has been tabled. Motion by Trustee Endrizzi to approve all items A thru E from the June 12 personnel meeting. Acree 2nd. Approved 5-0.

Streets and Alleys

Mayor is working on the tree on the village easement between First and Second.

Finance Committee

Mayor Deverell has received quotes for new furniture. Need to decide what to rent / fees for the community center will be

Ordinance Committee

Committee suggests changing the meeting times to 6:30 pm. Motion by Trustee Acree to approve as ordinance 20-7. Nave 2nd, Roll call: Nave, yes;, Endrizzi, yes; Jenkins, yes; Ditty, yes; Acree, yes. Apprvd 5-0.

Suggested to increase mowing to \$125/hr and to include in ordinance that any damages to village equipment and / or personnel due to mowing will be added to the fee. Attorney will draft a new ordinance.

Discussion was held regarding the removal of fees for portable sheds with no foundations. Attorney will draw up new ordinance removing this fee.

Fences – tabled. Attorney checking on this

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Publication of general circulation – tabled

Water and Sewer

Late fees and shut offs will resume in July. Water rate increase will be imposed on September 1.

Economic Development-Nothing

Attorney

Motion by Trustee Acree to enter closed session to discuss public work personnel, review closed session minutes and easement.

Entered closed session at 9:32 p.m.

Back to open session at 9:59 pm

Trustee Endrizzi left the meeting

Motion by Trustee Ditty to approve an increase of wage to \$16/hr for Morgan. Acree 2nd Approved 4-0. Motion by Trustee Acree to give Mark Tertoch a cost of living raise of

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0.28 cents/hour. Nave 2nd. Approved 4-0. Motion by Trustee Jenkins to start the search for a full time public works person ad a part time office person. Ditty 2nd. Approved 4-0.

A discussion was held regarding the Milnes Whattley trust; \$8,150 for easement off main street.

Motion by Trustee Acree to approve as resolution 20-8, release of closed session minutes as indicated on resolution list. Nave 2nd. Approved 4-0.

Motion by Trustee Acree to adjourn. Nave 2nd. Approved 4-0.

Meeting adjourned at 10:03 p.m.

Penny J. Allen, Clerk