

VILLAGE HALL OF HARRISTOWN

October 26, 2020

The Village of Harristown Board of Trustees held their monthly meeting on October 26, 2020 at 185 N. Kembark, Harristown, IL. Trustees Les Jenkins, Larry Ditty, Kevin Vessels, Teresa Acree, Becky Nave, Cody Endrizzi, Treasurer Rose, Budget Officer Laskowski, Attorney Drew Weatherford, Clerk Allen and Mayor Deverell were present. The meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Consent agenda/minutes

Motion by Trustee Ditty to adopt the consent agenda. Jenkins 2nd. Approved 6-0.

Corrections to minutes of 9/28/2020. Page 2, 2021 MFT project-should read "loan" not load. Motion by Trustee Jenkin to approve with the above correction. Acree 2nd.

Approved 6-0. Motion by Trustee Endrizzi to approve the special board meeting minutes from October 15. Vessel 2nd. Approved 6-0..

Visitors

Dan Carr-190 S Camp St- purchased this property. There is a current water/sewer lein on it, around \$1800. He said it was not caught. When he purchased the property, according to his lawyer, everything was ok. He said he understands, in past times, the village has forgiven water leins. He does not think he is being treated fairly.

Brandon Rarick-from A.C.T.S. – he owns a small internet company and would like to put antennas on our water towers. The village would be paid \$50/month plus \$1.00 per customer each month, that is served off the water tower internet service he owns. He said he is currently in several villages.

Mayor Updates

Upcoming elections-Clerk Allen discussed the petitions

Halloween event-there will be no Halloween event at community center but still planning to have a Christmas bazaar on December 5. Santa at the Depot will not happen this year due to Covid restrictions. Christmas lighting contest will be held again this year. Trustee Endrizzi questioned if maybe the fire department would drive around the village with Santa on top of the fire truck? Mayor will check with Chief Gambrill.

Treasurers Report-Authorize Paying of Bills.

Motion by Trustee Ditty to approve the financial report. Nave 2nd. Approved 6-0.

The following bills need approved: Carolyn Jane Floyd annual well lease agreement, December 2020 to November 2021, \$2813.77; Chastain IEPA water project, \$5,559.33; IMCO Utility supply, \$1623.31; IML Risk management insurance \$30,676.66; Peterson Plumbing, pay estimate #2, with retainage \$2,755 and retention from previous invoice \$4,406.75. Motion by Trustee Jenkins to approve payment of all the bills for a total of \$47,934.82. Endrizzi 2nd. Approved 6-0.

Budget Officers Report

BO Laskowski discussed. Mayor Deverell discussed RCAP that is funded by the government, and will do a rate study for us for the sewer rates. Mayor Deverell said in December 2019, we forgave some fund balances. Trustee Acree questioned if this can be reversed, \$22,000 back to sewer fund. Motion by Trustee Vessels to approve the budget officers report. Acree 2nd. Approved 6-0.

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Engineers Report

Water Improvement/tower/IEPA loan-Ron Legner said they are processing the shop drawing from both contractors. Finishing the water tower foundation work this week. The 1st loan disbursement request has been submitted to IEPA

Park Brothers-final grading and seeding is completed.

Jurisdictional transfer of Suburban-IDOT figured cost (present value); they said they will give us \$107,800 for us to take over this road. Ron Legner said it would cost roughly \$21,000 to pulverize/grade/oil/chip/replace culverts. This money would go into the MFT fund. He believes this is a fair offer. Mayor asked Board what they would like to do. Motion by Trustee Vessels to accept the offer from IDOT for \$107,800 for jurisdiction of Suburban. Ditty 2nd. Approved 6-0.

Tile Repair – 2nd St drainage project. There is a field tile/sink hole-could be a hole in existing tile. Contractor complained very fragile existing tile, every time he touched it, it crumbles. Ron received a quote from telescan, verbal only \$4,000. The sink hole is not part of the Village to maintain. Not part of agreement with landowner, pipe we layed is complete. This field tile is ties into manhole/pipe; it is getting worse. This is no danger to anybody or integrity to our system. Board wants to wait until spring and revisit this issue. Tabled.

Loop Water Main and existing tower rehab-dialog continuing with landowners to acquire the last easement needed to construct the loop water main. Engineering going forward, would be reimbursable under new load for budget beginning in July from EPA (EPA's fiscal year) Construction cost \$870,000, plus engineering and other professional services over 1 million, of which EPA has been offering 50% for max of \$400,000 (ends at end of June). Board wants to wait until last easement is signed.

2021 MFT Project-no new progress. Mayor requested the streets and alleys committee to come up with a suggestion for MFT. Ordinance to meet at same time. 11/5/20 @ 4:30 pm.

Public Works-

Water Plant Bldg-our guys are working on gas lines to water plant. No bids back electric.

Zoning

11/10 7770 W Macon – zoning hearing - culverts

Old Business

Ordinance 20-3- this ordinance is getting reworked. Tabled until next meeting.

New Business

Snow plow agreement – with PW Phillips – emergency snow plowing only \$90.72/hr only emergency as needed. Tabled until November.

Personnel Committee-Nothing to report

Streets and Alleys-Nothing to report

Finance Committee Nothing to report

Ordinance Committee- meeting set up

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Water and Sewer

EJ Water – their report showed we were below EPA accepted standards. They did help with our leaks.

Economic Development- nothing

Attorney –nothing

Motion by Trustee Vessels to enter closed session to discuss personnel and Dan Carr's lein. Jenkins 2nd. Approved 6-0.

Enter closed session at 8:18 pm

Back to regular session at 8:53 pm

Mayor reported the following was discussed in closed session

We will look for a full time public works employee. She will draft a letter to resident at 190 S Camp Street and the person he is buying the property from; they have 2 weeks to get the lein issue resolved

Motion by Trustee Acree to adjourn. Jenkins 2nd. Approved 6-0.

Meeting adjourned at 8:54 p.m.


Penny J. Allen, Clerk