

June 12, 2023 (Unapproved minutes)

Village of Stetsonville

The meeting was called to order at 4 pm by President Greg Brunner. Present were Brunner, Joseph Dowden, Stephanie Bohn, Al Riemer, Jay Jochimsen, Doug Klemm and Clerk/Treasurer Jan Tischendorf. Will McCarron had excused absence. Also present were Brian Peterson of AMS, Taylor Shaw and Jessica Lopez of Forward Bank, and Bob Christensen, Building Inspector.

The meeting was posted according to statutes. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Forward Bank- Taylor Shaw and Jessica Lopez presented to the board information for Forward Bank.

Brian Peterson of AMS, (Advanced Microbial Solutions) gave a presentation on what his company can do for the village's wastewater pond in reducing the 4' sludge accumulation (it has not been cleaned in approximately 25 years). His company uses microbes to "eat" the sludge, reducing the need for mechanical dredging and chemicals. The company guarantees results as no pay performance and expects the project to be completed in 60-90 days, leaving an approximate 6" of remaining sludge in pond 1. Pond 2 and 3 will benefit from the flow of 1 into 2 and 3 as well. The board was very impressed with the presentation.

Bob Christensen, Building inspector, was present to address many of the submitted property maintenance complaints submitted by concerned citizens. Work will commence on the issues after June 21 after Christensen returns from vacation.

Public Comments: there are property maintenance complaints from concerned citizens, which will be addressed by Bob Christensen, building inspector.

Old business: Sidewalk grant resolution/CTH A project update: In being presented the resolution for the sidewalk support, board members questioned if the sidewalk is necessary citing the cost for the village....it was m/2nd Riemer/Bohn, all ayes, motion carried, to table the resolution acceptance until more information is received from Ben Stanfley, Taylor Co highway Commissioner. Also, funding is not allowed to be "saved" for in levies, the loan must be taken out if need be and then the principal and interest be levied for large projects.

Outdoor wood burning furnace ordinance 2023-02 was m/2nd to prohibit outdoor wood burners citing smoke pollution and debris around the yard due to correspondence from other municipalities around the state NOT allowing them as well. M/2nd Dowden/Riemer to accept the ordinance. All ayes, motion carried.

Property maintenance-Bob Christensen. In regard to property owner at 130 N STH 13 not responding to certified letter concerning water ordinance 242, section 3.12 stating that habitable homes must be hooked up to the village water system, the board instructed the clerk to send another certified letter to the property owner, stating that he will be liable for penalties of \$10 per day, from June 12, 2023 forward until the property is hooked up to the water system.

New business: Licenses were granted to the following: Class A combination to Medford Coop dba Stetsonville Clark station and Class B Beer to the American Legion club. M/2nd Bohn/Riemer to grant both licenses. All ayes, motion carried. Mobile home license to Bryan Reiter, m/2nd Riemer, Dowden. All ayes, motion carried.

Foreclosure-property at 137 N STH 13 is in the process of the county foreclosure, with the property owner having until September to pay the taxes or the property will go into Sheriff's sale.

Fireworks discussion-the village will not allow fireworks to be shot off in the village, citing Nuisance ordinance #130 as reason to not consider the issue.

Shop addition-it was briefly discussed to start thinking about an extra bay and office space at the present shop on Mink Avenue.

Employee evaluation, Doug Klemm-Doug has completed two years of employment with the village. He is in process of obtaining more wastewater certification. A raise was awarded, M/2nd, Dowden/Bohn. All ayes, motion carried.

Clerk Treasurer report is attached. Included are bank funds, funds spent, utility report and garbage collection report. It was m/2nd to approve report-Riemer/Dowden. All ayes, motion carried.

Municipal wastewater/water reports by Jay Jochimsen and Doug Klemm. Report is attached. All test results are within required guidelines. Included in report is testing, operator classes, no PFAS in village water system, hydrant flushing, lead/copper testing, north lift building getting built, and actuator quotes. It was m/2nd to accept quote from Dorner for four actuators by Dowden/Riemer. All ayes, motion carried.

It was m/2nd by Riemer/Dowden to accept the \$46,000 contract with Advanced Microbial Solutions (AMS) for cleaning the sludge using microbes from the wastewater ponds. All ayes, motion carried. Work can start in as soon as the next 30 days.

Street and Maintenance report by Doug Klemm and Jay Jochimsen. Report is attached. Included in report-cistern work, Troiber/Jakel issue; generator quote; summer help going well, and black dirt for pond area. m/2nd to accept both reports Riemer/Dowden. All ayes, motion carried.

Prairie Village apron damage, board stated that it is property owner's responsibility to repair.

Bill payment- vouchers 28790-28837 and EFT 06-01 through 06-19 were approved for payment. M/2nd Riemer, Bohn. All ayes, motion carried.

Adjourn, Bohn/Riemer. All ayes, motion carried.

/s/ Jan Tischendorf, Clerk/Treasurer

Next meeting is Monday, July 10, 2023 at 4 pm at the Jean M. Thomsen Memorial Library.