

VILLAGE OF WAPELLA

Village Hall
312 Main Street – P. O. Box 148
Wapella, Illinois 61777

BOARD MEETING – MINUTES

September 18, 2018

Regular Meeting

7:00 pm

1. Meeting called to order by President Bryan Atwood, village recorder is on and recording the meeting.

2. Pledge of Allegiance led by President Bryan Atwood

3. Roll Call by Acting Village Clerk Maxine Schwartz

| Name | Title | Status |
|-----------------|----------------------|---------|
| Bryan Atwood | President | Present |
| Sherry Mears | Trustee | Absent |
| Mandy Huff | Trustee | Present |
| Rayna Kaufman | Trustee | Present |
| Nancy Falk | Trustee | Present |
| Holly Hamm | Trustee | Absent |
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| Steve Mahrt | Village Attorney | Present |
| Maxine Schwartz | Acting Village Clerk | Present |

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES - AUGUST 21, 2018 - These minutes were approved last meeting

5. APPROVAL OF OKAYED BILLS AS PRESENTED TO THE BOARD

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| Moved: | Mandy Huff |
| Seconded: | Nancy Falk |
| Ayes: | Mandy Huff, Rayna Kaufman, Nancy Falk, Bryan Atwood |
| Nays: | None |
| Abstained: | None |
| Action Taken: | Motion carried to approve all okayed bill as presented to the village |

6. Department Reports

A) **Streets** - Mandy Huff reported to the board the fire hydrant on Cherry Street has now been repaired. Huff has not heard from Rodger Sprague concerning the oiling of the streets.

B) **Health and Safety** - President Atwood reported that the landscaping is still an ongoing project. Carla Karr has spent countless hours volunteering, Thanks Carla.

C) Water - Nancy Falk reported to the board the new water main installation is now complete. The village boulevard has been seeded and the village employees will water if no rain is in the near future.

D) Zoning - No report, Sherry Mears was absent

E) Finance - Holly Hamm discussed the budget and set a date for a budget workshop of October 2.

F) Water Operator - No report

G) Village Clerk - Maxine Schwartz reported the auditor stated the village was losing money on our commercial water rates. The village needs to resolve the problem as to who is charged for commercial rates. Nancy Falk and Mandy Huff agreed that commercial rates are for those commercial business.

H) FOIA Officer - Mandy Huff read the FOIA Report. The village continues to receive FOIA's from one village resident. Documents requested are water bills for every resident in Wapella who receives a water bill. Village residents are still not happy with personal information being released to one individual. The Attorney General's office states that water bills are not personal information and must be released on a FOIA request. FOIA request also include all village bank statements and check registers from all village accounts, treasurers reports and minutes. The cost for FOIA last month was approximately \$900.00 in employee wages and \$80.00 in postage to mail to the FOIA requestors home.

7. PUBLIC COMMENT - The village board heard all public comments and addressed as needed.

8. NEW BUSINESS

A) Accept resignation letter(s) - No letters of resignation were submitted

B) Nominations for a new trustee position - No open seats on the board

C) Vote and appoint a new trustee to the board - No open seat on board

D) Purchase new tires for the back hoe - Mandy Huff reported the back hoe was in need of two new tires. Huff had a quote from Walker Tire in Clinton.

Motion to purchase new tires for the back hoe not to exceed \$1,300.00 from Walker Tire.

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| Moved: | Mandy Huff |
| Seconded: | Nancy Falk |
| Ayes: | Mandy Huff, Nancy Falk, Rayna Kaufman, Bryan Atwood |
| Nays: | None |
| Abstained: | None |
| Action Taken: | Motion carried to purchase new tires for back hoe not to exceed \$1,300.00 |

E) Laverdiere pay request 2 and final - Joe Mikulecky, from Farnsworth, explained the payment procedure for payment 2 and final payment.

Motion to pay Laverdiere, approve change order, pay \$23,662.24

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| Moved: | Mandy Huff |
| Seconded: | Nancy Falk |
| Ayes: | Mandy Huff, Nancy Falk, Rayna Kaufman, Bryan Atwood |
| Nays: | None |
| Abstained: | None |
| Action Taken: | Motion carried to pay Laverdiere \$23,662.24 |

F. Change order 2 and final - the board has some concerns on the finished project. The streets need to be cleaned off better, the village will contact Laverdiere and explain before they receive the final payment. When the streets are cleaned the village will pay Laverdiere.

Motion to approve payment change order contingent on cleaning the streets and fixing a meter pit at the park in the amount of \$210,372.73

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| Moved: | Mandy Huff |
| Seconded: | Nancy Falk |
| Ayes: | Mandy Huff, Nancy Falk, Rayna Kaufman, Bryan Atwood |
| Nays: | None |
| Abstained: | None |
| Action Taken: | Motion carried to pay Laverdiere as stated above. |

G. Building permits - Set date for ZBA meeting - Tabled

H. Water tower exterior cleaning - Tabled till spring

I) Resolution authorizing execution of waste collection agreement - This is the contract for Area Disposal

Motion to accept the Resolution Authorizing execution of waste collection agreement

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| Moved: | Mandy Huff |
| Seconded: | Nancy Falk |
| Ayes: | Mandy Huff, Nancy Falk, Rayna Kaufman, Bryan Atwood |
| Nays: | None |
| Abstained: | None |
| Action Taken: | Motion carried as stated above |

J) Resolution approving a temporary construction easement with Ameren - This easement is for the purpose of the work they are doing on all the over head power lines.

Motion to approve the temporary construction easement with Ameren

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| Moved: | Mandy Huff |
| Seconded: | Nancy Falk |
| Ayes: | Mandy Huff, Nancy Falk, Rayna Kaufman, Bryan Atwood |
| Nays: | None |
| Abstained: | None |
| Action Taken: | Motion carried as stated above |

Motion to go into executive session.

The appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, of dismissal of specific employee(5ilcs 120/2(C)(1)). And pending litigation.

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| Moved: | Mandy Huff |
| Seconded: | Rayna Kaufman |
| Ayes: | Mandy Huff, Rayna Kaufman, Nancy Falk, Bryan Atwood |
| Nays: | None |
| Abstained: | None |
| Action Taken: | Motion carried to go into executive session |

THE VILLAGE BOARD RECONVENED THE OPEN MEETING FOLLOWING THE EXECUTIVE SESSION

ROLL CALL RETURNING TO OPEN MEETING

| Name | Title | Status |
|-----------------|------------------|---------|
| Bryan Atwood | President | Present |
| Sherry Mears | Trustee | Absent |
| Mandy Huff | Trustee | Present |
| Rayna Kaufman | Trustee | Present |
| Nancy Falk | Trustee | Present |
| Holly Hamm | Trustee | Absent |
| | Trustee | |
| Steve Mahrt | Village Attorney | Present |
| Maxine Schwartz | Village Clerk | Present |

Motion to give Kim Donovan a raise of \$.50 per hour

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|---------------|---|
| Moved: | Nancy Falk |
| Seconded: | Rayna Kaufman |
| Ayes: | Mandy Huff, Rayna Kaufman, Nancy Falk, Bryan Atwood |
| Nays: | None |
| Abstained: | None |
| Action Taken: | Motion carried to give Kim Donovan a \$.50 per hour raise |

Motion to give Todd Rodgers a \$1.50 per hour raise.

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| Moved: | Nancy Falk |
| Seconded: | Rayna Kaufman |
| Ayes: | Mandy Huff, Rayna Kaufman, Nancy Falk, Bryan Atwood |
| Nays: | None |
| Abstained: | None |
| Action Taken: | Motion carried to give Todd Rodgers a \$1.50 per hour raise |

President Atwood asked the board if they had any other items for discussion, none heard, he asked for a motion to adjourn

Motion to adjourn

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| Moved: | Bryan Atwood |
| Seconded: | Rayna Kaufman |
| Ayes: | Mandy Huff, Rayna Kaufman, Nancy Falk, Bryan Atwood |
| Nays: | None |
| Abstained: | None |
| Action Taken: | Motion carried to adjourn meeting |

Meeting Adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

**Maxine Schwartz
Acting Wapella Village Clerk**