

Village of Wapella Board Meeting

Wednesday, February 16th, 2022

Village Hall – 7:00 pm

Meeting called to order by Village President Dennis Klatt.

Present:

Dennis Klatt
Sean Holland
Lauren Johnson
Jane Buraglio
Mark Miller
Steve Marht – Attorney
Robin Morrow – Clerk

Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of Minutes:

Motion to approve minutes from January 26th meeting made by Jane Buraglio, motion to second by Sean Holland with correction of adding Mark Miller as being in attendance at the January meeting. All voting yes.

Bills:

A question raised about reimbursement to Jodi Head for testing. Motion to approve all Village bills as presented to the board made by Lauren Johnson, motion to second by Jane Buraglio. All voting yes.

Department Reports:

STREETS: Jane Buraglio

New Equipment and Upgrades – pressure washer delivered and tested; forks ordered for tractor have been picked up; 8 new signs delivered and to be installed as weather permits; scaffolding has been upgraded with safety rails and 3 scaffold boards from Midwest Equipment; other safety issues were also addressed; wheels ordered for the big plow from Monroe Trucks but they are having issues finding a supplier/distributor; Paul has installed new bearings and seals on the old wheels and hope we can keep them going until new ones are available.

Snow Plowing and Equipment Repairs – on 1/31/22 prior to snow plowing and right after the main break, the Red Dump Truck's lower radiator hose ruptured. It was drained, and hose removed but was not an easy task. On 2/1/22, Toby went to Springfield for a new radiator hose and Paul was able to fix it but then the alternator had issues so had to get a replacement alternator and tensioner which was also then fixed. On 2/2/22, snow plowing began at 3am and then the hydraulic hose in the plow on the white dump truck had to be replaced. From 2/3 to 2/5/22 snow plowing continued. Hydraulic hoses to the front bucket of the backhoe were replaced as well as the hydraulic hoses to the digging bucket because they started leaking. The air compressor motor threw a v-belt since the pulleys were not lined up which has now been repaired. They guys installed stopping points for all equipment to make parking them faster and easier. The sucking end of the water pump hose had to be replaced. The village's 3 generators were inspected and found to not be working correctly. Delivered them to Cross Bros. Piles of snow from Main Street and around town were removed. Getting tires replaced on the Gator. Chain on big plow repaired. Wind caught the backhoe door and window was busted. It was repaired \$196 to Birkeys.

Additional repairs made to the big plow in preparation for the pending snow fall overnight and in to tomorrow. Trucks are loaded and ready.

To the credit of our employees, ALL equipment repairs so far have been done in house.

Additional Announcements:

March 5, 2022 – Fireman’s Chili & Oyster Dinner – Drive thru

March 12, 2022 – Wapella Says YES Family Fun Night

April 23, 2022 – Second Chance Rabies Clinic at Village Shed

June 2022 YES Community Sales (should plan town clean-up beginning the following Monday)

** February 17th is Toby’s and Paul’s 1 year Anniversary!!!

Dennis asked if there is any process or procedure for periodic checklists to stay on top of equipment repairs. Might want to look into something like that going forward.

HEALTH & SAFETY: Lauren Johnson

New broom has been ordered and was approximately \$60 for a complete package.

Still working on the issue with the refrigerator door handle with Menards. It’s been almost a year.

WATER: Sean Holland

Apology for the heated discussion in last meeting. There was a main break on January 27th by the Community Center and was fixed on the 28th. Clyde called and consulted. Cold night and guys did bank up job as usual.

Linda Wickenhauser has fixed the leak and paid bill in full.

ZONING: Mark Miller

Fosters picked up permit. Building already there

Gave the car dealer a notice about removing the truck over on 51 and still waiting to hear back from them. Complaint Message received from Matt Ziegler regarding car dealership going in.

Need people on the Zoning Committee. Need 2 more people. Possibly Ed Fleck and Brian Atwood.

FINANCE: Jessica

CHECKING ACCOUNT DECEMBER 2021 BALANCES:

GF Checking	\$219,301.52
Park CD	\$41,542.32
Park CD	\$54,679.87
Police CD	\$18,402.95
WF Checking	\$89,541.86
MFT Checking	\$100,597.63
WPF Checking	\$86,613.39
	\$610,679.54

CHECKING ACCOUNT JANUARY 2022 BALANCES:

GF Checking	\$207,407.82
Park CD	\$41,542.32
Park CD	\$54,679.87
Police CD	\$18,402.95
WF Checking	\$86,145.96
MFT Checking	\$102,673.50
WPF Checking	<u>\$86,614.13</u>
	\$597,466.55

Reminder – State of Economic Interest forms have changed a little and are due by May 1, 2022. Follow guidelines provided or check online.

Working with the Comptroller to get all of our automatic deposits and debits going into the correct accounts.

WATER OPERATOR: Steve

Nothing to report

CLERK: Robin Morrow

Nothing to report

FOIA OFFICER: Robin Morrow

Nothing to report

WEBSITE: Jane Buraglio

Nothing to report

PUBLIC COMMENTS: None

Wapella Says YES is looking to do a Saturday Movie in the park for July 2022. The cost to have will be approximately \$1200. Asking if Village would contribute and/or co-sponsor. Possible preview advertising prior to movie for local businesses.

Question was raised asking where the lawsuit was at. Still ongoing. Everything filed and not recent update.

New Business for discussion, approval, and possible vote:

Neal Kuester presented the board with the results of the 2021/2022 Audit Review. Presented a booklet and walked through the process and their findings. Pointed out that as a board we need to look at the segregation of duties and discuss handling of water deposits according to the current ordinance or update the ordinance. Using Quickbooks for accounting and Locis for water billing and reports not necessarily connecting to each other because two different systems. Need to review the Water Fund Ordinance as there are supposed to be two additional accounts that were to be set-up and were not when loan was taken out. Suggest changing where salaries and wages are being coded to and fund coming out of.

2022/2023 Audit Review Quote \$9500 authorized.

Jane will proceed with getting the correct accounts opened up that are required per the Revenue Bond Ordinance 2018-6-9.

Request for approval to repair the 3 village generators at a cost not to exceed \$2000. Motion made by Lauren and second by Sean. All approved.

In closing, Dennis wanted to thank Jane, Paul, and Toby for a job well done in the snow removal this winter.

Motion made by Mark Miller to adjourn and second by Jane Buraglio. Meeting adjourned at 7:57pm.