

**VILLAGE OF MILLSTADT  
VILLAGE HALL  
JANUARY 24, 2022  
7:00 P.M.**

The meeting was called to order by Mike Todd, with the following trustees answering to roll call: Randy Burk, Mike Capell, Ray Famula, Mike French, Mark Todd, and Dustin Trankle. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

A motion was made by Randy Burk to approve the January 10<sup>th</sup> minutes. Mike Capell seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

COMMUNICATIONS OR CORRESPONDENCE: none

COMMITTEE ON ACCOUNTS: Mike Capell stated he reviewed the bills. Mike Capell made a motion to pay the bills. Ray Famula seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

PERSONNEL: Mike Capell stated there would be an Executive Session for police matters towards the end of the meeting.

**PUBLIC WORKS:**

SEWER: Dustin Trankle stated Brian had to replace an 8-inch butterfly valve at the sewer plant. They are getting the specs together to upgrade the lift stations for the sewer line at Lexington Drive and West Harrison Street.

WATER: none

REFUSE: none

MOSQUITO CONTROL: none

STREETS, ALLEYS, AND SIDEWALKS: Randy Burk stated the DCEO application was turned in on time. Mayor Todd stated he sent Randy information about the intergovernmental grants that are available from St. Clair County.

PUBLIC BUILDINGS, MAINTENANCE, AND EQUIPMENT: none

CABLE SERVICES AND CELL TOWERS: none

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS: none

ANNEXATIONS: none

PARKS, POOL AND RECREATION: Mark Todd stated Movies in the Park has been scheduled for Friday, July 15<sup>th</sup> and Friday, September 9<sup>th</sup>. They are still deciding on which movies and looking for sponsors. Scott Baltz stated the tree across from the pool was taken down; just need to grind down the stump. Mark asked about the pickleball stripes for the tennis court. Scott stated he has not received a call back from the person they thought could do it. Mark stated he had talked to some people and will get the name of someone else.

CEMETERY: Ray Famula stated the new sign is up and looks very nice.

COMMUNITY CENTER: Ray Famula stated that in 2020 and 2021 the Senior Center received \$11,675 in grant money. They provided 190 hours of counseling to 200 people. They had to pay \$6,240 in salaries so they netted \$5,400 for future use. They received \$1,440 in grant money to make calls checking on the elderly. \$620 of that was paid towards salaries so they netted \$820 for future use. The quilt raffle made \$540. The January senior dinner at Ott's was attended by 35 people. The next dinners will be on Monday, February 14<sup>th</sup> and Monday, March 14<sup>th</sup>. The Sandra M. Bereitschaft Foundation annual dinner will be on Saturday, February 19<sup>th</sup> at Mertz; tickets are available. The annual Senior Center bar-b-que will be on Saturday, February 12<sup>th</sup>. The next Senior Center Board meeting will be on Tuesday, February 15<sup>th</sup>.

PLANNING COMMISSION & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT: Mike French stated the Planning Commission did not have a meeting in January. The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, February 15<sup>th</sup>.

TIF: none

PUBLIC SAFETY:

*Police Department* – Police Chief Alan Hucke stated applications are available for the D.A.R.E. scholarship.

*Emergency Service and Disaster Agency* - none

*Fire Department* – none

BUILDING COMMISSIONER: Adam Romero stated the Village zoning map is in the process of being updated. The Zoning Board will review it at their next meeting. There were four

changes made. He is going to have a map made up, so the center of town is enlarged to be able to more clearly see the changes that are made there. He is trying to get a digital format done for proposed subdivisions which will help establish what has been turned in and what is still needed. Randy Burk stated he is going to forward information to Adam from the census bureau because they are needing an updated map.

OLD BUSINESS: Mayor Todd stated that monitored wells need to be put in at the maintenance shed to monitor the contaminated dirt left by the fuel tanks that were removed 30 years ago. That will be stage one. If the contaminated dirt needs to be removed it will move to stage two. Robert's Environmental can drill the holes for the wells. Randy Burk made a motion to approve the contract with Robert's Environmental for \$9,435. Mike Capell seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously. GES can monitor the wells. Mike Capell made a motion to approve the contract with GES for \$15,388.70. Dustin Trankle seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously. Mayor Todd asked how long the monitoring will occur. Scott Baltz answered that they did not give him a timeline. Mayor Todd stated it could go on for quite a while, but he will keep the Board informed if it moves to stage two.

Scott Baltz stated he sat in on a Zoom meeting for the ARPA money that will be used for the sewer line. It sounded like every aspect that is planned will be covered.

NEW BUSINESS: Mayor Todd stated he, Randy Burk, and Adam Romero met with a developer who may want to plan a new subdivision in the Village. The project is on hold while the developer decides if it is worth the cost.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Tracy Holmes stated that the Treasurer's Report had been submitted. Ray Famula made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report. Mike French seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

CLERK'S REPORT: Tracy Holmes stated that the Clerk's Report had been submitted. Randy Burk made a motion to approve the Clerk's Report. Ray Famula seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

CITIZENS COMMENTS: Betty Keller Timmer stated she contacted HTC to inform them of the water tower project taking place in 2022. She contacted Ameren but will need to contact them again closer to the date. She contacted Hudson Tree Service to trim the trees on each side. During the project they will need a staging area and she would like to close South Breese Street from East Madison Street to the alley. Mayor Todd asked her to let the Board know about the staging area closer to the start of the project.

Boy Scout Gabriel Theis stated that he noticed wood was missing from the two bridges on the walking track behind the pool. For his Eagle Scout project, he would like to replace the missing wood and landscape around the bridges. Mayor Todd asked him to drop off his plans at Village Hall and to get with Scott Baltz to complete his project.

Mike Capell made a motion to go into Executive Session for police matters. Mark Todd seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Mike Capell made a motion to close Executive Session. Mark Todd seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT: Mike French made a motion to adjourn the general Village Board meeting and was seconded by Ray Famula. The motion carried unanimously.

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Crissy Pipik, Clerk

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Mike Todd, Mayor