

**VILLAGE OF MILLSTADT
VILLAGE HALL
MARCH 27, 2017
7:00 P.M.**

The meeting was called to order by Mike Todd, with the following trustees answering to roll call: Ray Famula, Mike French, Al Lehr, Kurt Pellmann, and Mark Todd. Trustee Ralph Bowley was absent. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

A motion was made by Al Lehr to approve the March 13th minutes. Ray Famula seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

COMMUNICATIONS OR CORRESPONDENCE: none

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

PERSONNEL: none

PUBLIC WORKS:

SEWER: Al Lehr stated he talked with Brian. Everything is working well. There was a call out for one of the lift stations the previous week. There was a hand towel wrapped around the propeller. It was fixed and everything is now working fine. Don Traiteur added that ECC was out Thursday, March 23rd due to a programming problem at the plant. It has been rectified and each lift station was checked. Brian will get the Board a list of what was found. Don added that an electrician will need to come change out the box on the lift station at Wheatridge. Mayor Todd asked when does ECC come out. Don answered they do annual inspections but only come when they are called. The last annual inspection was Fall 2016.

WATER: Mayor Todd stated the new water line on Route 158 has already crossed Krista Lane.

REFUSE: Al Lehr stated white goods pick-up will be on Saturday, April 1st. All items need to be curbside by 6am.

MOSQUITO CONTROL: none

STREETS, ALLEYS, AND SIDEWALKS: Kurt Pellmann stated Sonnenberg filled in some cracks in the asphalt in Wheatridge. Don Traiteur stated he will be chlorinating the new water lines on Urbana Road and Werner Road.

PUBLIC BUILDINGS, MAINTENANCE, AND EQUIPMENT: Kurt Pellmann stated the police department had cars at Muskopf's. There were new tires put on the skid loader.

CABLE SERVICES AND CELL TOWERS: none

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS: Mike French stated Ordinance 1158 is for Approving the St. Clair County Inspection Program. It is for the building inspection program. It is an update that is done every three years although the contract is renewed every year. Steve Muskopf added there are minor code changes. It will go into effect April 1, 2017 and will automatically renew. There is a schedule of the fees in the ordinance. Mike French made a motion to accept Ordinance 1158 as presented. Al Lehr seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

ANNEXATIONS: none

PARKS, POOL, AND RECREATION: Ray Famula stated the Millstadt PTA has requested to use the restrooms at Liederkrantz Park during their Hippity Hop Easter Trot. This has been granted in previous years. Ray Famula made a motion to allow the Millstadt PTA to use the restrooms at Liederkrantz Park on Saturday, April 8th. Mark Todd seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

CEMETERY: Ray Famula stated none

COMMUNITY CENTER: none

PLANNING COMMISSION & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT: Mike French stated the March Planning Commission meeting was cancelled. Mayor Todd stated that the Red Barn Farm Road properties are still talking to property owners on either side of the road to get a right-of-way.

TIF: none

PUBLIC SAFETY:

Police Department – Police Chief Ed Wilkerson stated he is working on the annual report.

Emergency Service and Disaster Agency – Travis Jones stated children tried to break into the new AED machine. The police department caught them because when opened, the machine automatically dialed 911 and the police were dispatched. There wasn't any damage done. Travis and police lieutenant Alan Hucke will be making a presentation to the Millstadt Civic Club to raise money to purchase another AED.

Fire Department – none

BUILDING COMMISSIONER: Steve Muskopf stated the following permits were issued:

Pettijohn	520 West Oak Street	Fence
Todd	710 West Harrison Street	Storage Shed
Worth	15 North Jefferson Street	Office Remodel
Circle K Heartland	1 West Washington Street	Commercial Remodel

OLD BUSINESS: Mayor Todd stated the hard drive and recording system for the park security cameras are currently located in the pool house. There is no heat or air conditioning there so there are times the system isn't working when it needs to be. It will be put into next year's budget to move the system to the Millstadt Primary Center. A fiber optic line will be installed at the school and then the system can be moved. The cameras will run better and faster. Don Traiteur asked if there is a time frame. Mayor Todd answered the system would be moved before the next school year. Don stated the antenna will need to be put back on the pool house and the roof will need to be patched.

Mayor Todd stated 40 new Christmas lights have been ordered. The lights will be on the utility poles along the main roads. There is also a new display for Frontier Park that has been ordered. All the lights should be in before Christmas. Mayor Todd thanked everyone that donated.

NEW BUSINESS: Mayor Todd stated the Village has donated to the Display of Independence in the past. Ray Famula made a motion to donate \$1,000 to this year's Display of Independence. Al Lehr seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Resident Tim McCormack lives in the Lake Audrey subdivision and is trying to find a way to connect the empty lots in the subdivision to the sewer line. It would mean more property taxes for the Village. Mr. McCormack has identified easements behind Regency Place that could be used to connect his lots to the utility lines. Steve Muskopf asked who would be paying to run the lines from Regency Place because that is something usually paid for by the developer. Mr. McCormack answered it would be the responsibility of the home owner of where the line was ran. Discussion followed about the properties and how they would be connected to the sewer lines. Mayor Todd asked if the easements were water easements. Steve answered he wasn't sure if it was even a public easement because the easement could be owned by the subdivision. More discussion followed and Mayor Todd stated more information about the easements needed to be

answered before moving forward. Mr. McCormack agreed and stated he is trying to fix a problem that has existed since 2001.

Mayor Todd stated the Millstadt PTA has requested a donation for their annual auction. Ray Famula made a motion to donate a family pool pass to the Millstadt PTA Annual Auction. Al Lehr seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Todd stated Illinois American raised the Village's water rates by 11.5% at the beginning of the year. They are going to raise their rates again by 2.39%. Mayor Todd talked to the Village of Smithton about being able to connect to their water from FSH. There are many unanswered questions. Because Millstadt is higher in elevation than Smithton, a booster may need to be put in. Studies would need to be done to make sure Smithton could even get their water to Millstadt. Mayor Todd stated the benefit to joining this co-op would be that one town doesn't take the brunt of any increase due to usage as with Illinois American; they all have the same increases. Kurt Pellmann asked where the water comes from. Mayor Todd stated SLM, which provides water to St. Libory, Lebanon, and Mascoutah, pumps the water from the Kaskaskia River. They sell the water to FSH, which provides water to Freeburg, Smithton, and Hecker. Mayor Todd stated this may not be feasible but the Village needs to look for options instead of having no recourse whenever Illinois American decides to raise the rates. Ray Famula asked what it would cost the Village to consider other options. Mayor Todd answered it may cost the Village engineering costs. Mike French added that if nothing else, it may give the Village a negotiating point. Mayor Todd stated he will also look into options to the north of the Village, such as Dupo.

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

CLERK'S REPORT: Crissy Pipik stated that the Clerk's Report had been submitted. Mike French made a motion to approve the Clerk's Report. Al Lehr seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

CITIZENS COMMENTS:

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

Crissy Pipik, Clerk

Mike Todd, Mayor