

**VILLAGE OF MILLSTADT
VILLAGE HALL
JANUARY 17, 2017
7:00 P.M.**

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

A motion was made by Ralph Bowley to approve the January 3rd minutes. Ray Famula seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

COMMUNICATIONS OR CORRESPONDENCE: Mayor Todd stated there would be two zoning hearings at the Zoning Board meeting on Tuesday, January 24th at 7:30pm at the Village Hall. The hearings are for a zoning amendment and a special use permit.

COMMITTEE ON ACCOUNTS: Ralph Bowley stated he reviewed the bills. Ralph Bowley made a motion to pay the bills. Kurt Pellmann seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

PERSONNEL: none

PUBLIC WORKS:

SEWER: Al Lehr stated he talked with Brian. He has been pressing sludge. There is a problem with the blower motor.

WATER: none

REFUSE: none

MOSQUITO CONTROL: none

STREETS, ALLEYS, AND SIDEWALKS: Kurt Pellmann stated there was general maintenance done on the streets. The crew was out Saturday, January 14th for a couple of hours due to the storms.

PUBLIC BUILDINGS, MAINTENANCE, AND EQUIPMENT: Kurt Pellmann stated they are still working on getting the AED installed at Liederkrantz Park. Dave Schmitt repaired the tandem. It has already hauled in more salt. The leaf vac is done being used for the season but needs a new blower wheel and bearings.

CABLE SERVICES AND CELL TOWERS: none

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS: Mike French stated Ordinance 1154 is for Chapter 51 (Sewers) Chapter 52 (Water) to amend the ordinance for rate adjustments. The Village will be implementing a 3.4% increase with an additional increase 2% per year until January 1, 2026. Mike French made a motion to approve Ordinance 1154 as presented. Ralph Bowley seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously. Tracy Holmes stated this year, it will take effect on February 1st. Residents won't see the increase until March when they get their bill for their February usage. Mike asked if the office has something prepared to use for the calls that are anticipated. Tracy answered they have the ordinance. Ralph Bowley added the Village hasn't had an increase in years and this increase is due to Illinois American increasing their rates.

Mike French stated Resolution 17-01 is for Meeting Date Change. The resolution lists the dates. The Village Board meetings will now be on the second and fourth Mondays. Mike French made a motion to accept Resolution 17-01 as presented. Al Lehr seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

ANNEXATIONS: none

PARKS, POOL, AND RECREATION: none

CEMETERY: Ray Famula stated the meeting with Radake will be set up before January 20th.

COMMUNITY CENTER: Mark Todd stated Patty was looking into getting money for new computers. The Foundation was going to buy them but she received a grant from Age Smart. The Senior Center Annual Bar-B-Que will be on Saturday, February 25th. The Second Annual Sandra M. Bereitschaft Foundation Dinner will be held on Saturday, February 11th at Mertz Ford.

PLANNING COMMISSION & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT: Mike French stated the Planning Commission meeting is currently happening at the police station. They are looking at the proposed layout of the properties on Red Barn Farm Road. Their next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, February 21st at 7pm at the Village Hall.

TIF: none

PUBLIC SAFETY:

Police Department – none

Emergency Service and Disaster Agency - none

Fire Department – Kurt Pellmann stated the Fireman’s Dance will be on Saturday, January 21st at the VFW. Their Annual Meeting will be on Friday, February 3rd at the Columbus Club. The Village Board and the Township Board are invited.

BUILDING COMMISSIONER: Steve Muskopf stated the following permits were issued:
Hayden 347 Shad Lane Single Family Residence

OLD BUSINESS: Mayor Todd stated the Commercial Club Wing Fling will be on Saturday, January 28th at the VFW.

NEW BUSINESS: Mayor Todd stated the new St. Clair County Community Development Block Grant applications are due Friday, March 17th. From the 2016 grants, the Village was awarded a \$70,000 grant that will be used to put in new sidewalks, curbs, and gutters on West Laurel Street from South Jackson Street to South Monroe Street. Mayor Todd thanked the St. Clair County Grant Board for awarding the grant to the Village. Tracy Holmes added that Diana Little, who worked for the grant board and was very helpful, is retiring this year.

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

CLERK’S REPORT: Tracy Holmes stated that the Clerk’s Report had been submitted. Ralph Bowley made a motion to approve the Clerk’s Report. Al Lehr seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

CITIZENS COMMENTS: none

ADJOURNMENT: Ralph Bowley 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