

**VILLAGE OF MILLSTADT**  
**VILLAGE HALL**  
**JULY 13, 2020**  
**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, Al Lehr, and Mark Todd. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

A motion was made by Ray Famula to approve the June 23<sup>rd</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. Mike French seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

PERSONNEL: none

PUBLIC WORKS:

SEWER: Al Lehr stated he talked with Brian. A bearing went out on a motor in the digester pump. Brian already replaced it.

WATER: Al Lehr stated the maintenance department had to pump water two weeks earlier due to rain. Mayor Todd stated the water tower and the ground tank were inspected. The results should be back in three to four weeks.

REFUSE: none

MOSQUITO CONTROL: none

STREETS, ALLEYS AND SIDEWALKS: Randy Burk stated he and Scott Baltz organized the streetscape documents and are ready to get the easements for the project. Mayor Todd asked if there was a deadline. Randy answered the project is still ahead of schedule. He has also been looking at some drainage issues in town. Randy met with Dana from TWM about the work on the last block of West Laurel Street. Mayor Todd stated they would not be putting in sidewalk on the southside of the block. Randy added they will include curb and gutter but if it ends up costing too much then it will be taken out. The bids for the project will be due at the last St. Clair County meeting in August.

**PUBLIC BUILDINGS, MAINTENANCE, AND EQUIPMENT:** Randy Burk opened the bids for the new utility truck for the maintenance department. There was only one bid from Mertz Ford for an F350. Scott Baltz looked over the bid to make sure the equipment requested was included. Randy Burk made a motion to accept the bid for an F350 from Mertz Ford for \$45,308. Mike French seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

**CABLE SERVICES AND CELL TOWERS:** Mark Todd stated the Everstream ROW Access Agreement between the Village and Everstream needed to be voted on. It is a 10 year agreement with up to two renewals for 5 years each. The fee schedule is in the back of the packet. Mayor Todd added the Village Attorney and TWM both looked at the agreement and saw no issues. Mark Todd made a motion to approve the Everstream ROW Access Agreement. Al Lehr seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

**ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS:** Mike French stated Resolution 20-05 is for a grant from the Metro East Park and Recreation District for a scoreboard for Diamond 3. Mike French made a motion to accept Resolution 20-05 as presented. Al Lehr seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Mike French stated Ordinance 1121 is for case V-177 for Zion Church. They are requesting an exemption from landscaping ordinance 152.117. The Zoning Board recommended approval. Mike French made a motion to accept Ordinance 1121 as presented. Ray Famula seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Mike French stated Ordinance 1212 is for case V-179 for Lee Vogel. He is requesting a nine-foot rear setback variance and a two-foot side setback variance at 418 West Van Buren. The Zoning Board recommended approval. Mike French made a motion to accept Ordinance 1212 as presented. Randy Burk seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

**ANNEXATIONS:** Mayor Todd stated the property on Veterans Drive is waiting for the County to plat the property. Due to Covid-19, mapping and planning is behind. Once the property is platted, annexation can move forward.

**PARKS, POOL AND RECREATION:** Mark Todd stated there would be a Park Board meeting on Tuesday, July 14<sup>th</sup> at Tuffy Mueth Field at 7pm. Mayor Todd stated the fence is up on Diamond 2 and was used at the baseball tournament the previous weekend.

**CEMETERY:** Ray Famula stated there was a damaged tombstone that has been repaired.

**COMMUNITY CENTER:** Ray Famula stated the lowest bid for the elevator repairs was \$2,250. Ray Famula made a motion the Village pay \$1,125 pending approval from the Township. Al

Lehr seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously. Ray added the company also offered a maintenance contract, which may be something to consider. Ray stated the Senior Center is going to start their porch sale. They also received a Capital Improvement Grant for \$2,500. The next Senior Center Board meeting will be on Tuesday, July 21<sup>st</sup> at 6pm.

PLANNING COMMISSION & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT: Mike French stated the next Planning Commission meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, July 21<sup>st</sup> but is based on agenda.

TIF: none

**PUBLIC SAFETY:**

*Police Department* – Crissy Pipik swore in new Police Officer Jacob Fowler.

*Emergency Service and Disaster Agency* – none

*Fire Department* – none

BUILDING COMMISSIONER: none

OLD BUSINESS: Mayor Todd stated State Representative Greenwood dropped off masks at Village Hall. Some of the masks were taken to the Senior Center.

Mayor Todd stated he and Mike Capell will be meeting on Wednesday, July 15<sup>th</sup> to review the mock up of the new website.

Mayor Todd stated there was a baseball tournament at the ball diamonds the previous weekend as well as next weekend. There were many families in town and all the money spent at the ball diamonds go back to the parks.

NEW BUSINESS: Mayor Todd stated he and Scott Baltz talked about using different rock for chipping and oiling because the oil is bleeding through on some of the streets. Scott stated he talked to Bob Wolfmeier who looked into slag but the cost was double what is paid now. Mayor Todd and Scott discussed going back to using the half inch white chips. They may try to do some spot testing to see if it will work. The trap rock the Village has used for the last three years isn't available anymore due to the steel mill shutting down.

Mayor Todd stated the retaining wall by the lift station in Alpine Meadows needs to be replaced. Scott Baltz has received two bids so far to replace the wall with blocks instead of timber.

CITIZENS COMMENTS: none

ADJOURNMENT: Al Lehr made a motion to adjourn the general Village Board meeting and was seconded by Mike Capell. The motion carried unanimously.

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Crissy Pipik, Clerk

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Mike Todd, Mayor