

**VILLAGE OF MILLSTADT
VILLAGE HALL
JULY 24, 2017
7:00 P.M.**

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

Ralph Bowley made a motion to open the annexation hearing. Ray Famula seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously. Mike French stated the hearing was for the June E. Hankammer-Grebing property next to the Millstadt Primary Center where the proposed new library may be built. There were no supporters or objectors. Ralph Bowley made a motion to close the annexation hearing. Ray Famula seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Ralph Bowley to approve the July 10th minutes. Al Lehr seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

COMMUNICATIONS OR CORRESPONDENCE: none

COMMITTEE ON ACCOUNTS: Ralph Bowley stated he reviewed the bills. Ralph Bowley 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 and he hasn't had any problems.

WATER: Al Lehr stated the hydrant report has been completed and Kurt Pellmann has a copy. Don Traiteur stated he also needs a copy. The water line on Werner Road still needs to be bored.

REFUSE: Al Lehr stated the trash pick-up schedule has been straightened out and the customers on the Friday pick-ups have been notified.

MOSQUITO CONTROL: none

STREETS, ALLEYS, AND SIDEWALKS: Kurt Pellmann stated St. James School has requested street closures for the students to watch the solar eclipse and participate in related activities. Kurt Pellmann made a motion to allow St. James School to close South Lafayette Street from West Washington Street to West Madison Street on Monday, August 21st from 10am to 2:30pm. Ralph Bowley seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Kurt Pellmann stated the Board needed to award the bid for the Laurel Street project. The low bid was from H&M Backhoe but the Village has had issues with them in the past. Kurt Pellmann made a motion to award the Laurel Street project to Hank's Excavating for \$71,535. Ralph Bowley seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously. Kurt also stated that there are three 60/40 projects coming up.

PUBLIC BUILDINGS, MAINTENANCE, AND EQUIPMENT: Kurt Pellmann stated Bel-O has been out for the quarterly extermination spraying. There has been maintenance done at the baseball diamonds. The hydrants on the new water lines are now live.

CABLE SERVICES AND CELL TOWERS: none

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS: Mike French stated Ordinance 1163 is for Annexing Certain Territory to the Village. It is for the June E. Hankammer-Grebing property that was discussed at the hearing at the beginning at the meeting. Mike added that the property is about three acres. Mike French made a motion to accept Ordinance 1163 as presented. Al Lehr seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

ANNEXATIONS: none

PARKS, POOL, AND RECREATION: Mark Todd stated the new lights are up at Tuffy Mueth Field. Don Traiteur added he still needs to replace the breakers. Mark stated at the last Park Board meeting they decided they would clean up Elm Street Park to get rid of the over growth. Mark also reminded everyone the last Movies in the Park will take place on Friday, September 15th.

CEMETERY: none

COMMUNITY CENTER: Ray Famula stated the Senior Center Executive Board met on Tuesday, July 18th. Patty has applied for a grant to receive a 2018 Subaru. There were some issues with water leaking but the maintenance crew has fixed the gutters. The township is looking into making some changes that Ray will keep the Village Board informed of. On July 26,

Reifschneiders in Freeburg will be donating a percentage of their proceeds to the Sandra M. Bereitschaft Means on Wheels Foundation.

PLANNING COMMISSION & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT: Mike French stated there was not a Planning Commission meeting in July. The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, August 15th.

TIF: none

PUBLIC SAFETY:

Police Department – none

Emergency Service and Disaster Agency - none

Fire Department – none

BUILDING COMMISSIONER: none

OLD BUSINESS: none

NEW BUSINESS: Mike French stated there will be a Zoning Board meeting on Tuesday, July 25th for lot coverage and rear setback variance at 319 West Laurel Street.

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. Mark Todd seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

CITIZENS COMMENTS: Otto Faulbaum stated the Sister Cities organization will be welcoming the German youth on Tuesday, July 25th with a pizza party at the Community Center. He invited the members of the Village Board and asked that someone say a few words welcoming the visitors to Millstadt.

David Scharf stated he is a resident of Wheatridge subdivision and has an issue with the lift station. The light does not come on in an emergency and he has many backups. He asked if there was a way to fix this, suggesting possibly adding a generator to the lift station. Don Traiteur answered that the alarm is working and will automatically make calls out to the

appropriate people. Mr. Scharf stated that sometimes that takes hours. Don explained that the Village does not have money in the budget to purchase generators for the lift stations but could consider it for the next year's budget. Mr. Scharf suggested adding an extra light to notify when there are issues. Ralph asked how often the lift stations are tested. Don answered twice a year by TAC. Mr. Scharf asked if the results are presented to the Board. Don answered yes. He added that he and Al Lehr talk to Brian at the sewer plant regularly and he is employed by TAC. Ralph asked if TAC could test the stations on a quarterly basis. Don answered the Village has a contract with them so it could be an extra cost. Mike French stated it is something the Village will take into consideration. Mr. Scharf asked for a response back from the Village.

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 French, Mayor Pro-Tem