

**VILLAGE OF MILLSTADT
VILLAGE HALL
DECEMBER 14, 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, Mike French, Al Lehr, and Mark Todd. Trustee Ray Famula was absent. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

A motion was made by Mike Capell to approve the November 23rd minutes. Al Lehr 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: Mike Capell stated there would be an Executive Session for Police Personnel after Citizen Comments.

PUBLIC WORKS:

SEWER: Al Lehr stated he talked with Brian. He has been doing general maintenance and replacing bearings in the digester pumps.

WATER: none

REFUSE: none

MOSQUITO CONTROL: none

STREETS, ALLEYS AND SIDEWALKS: Randy Burk stated he worked with Scott Baltz and Lynn Muskopf to get all the easements signed for the West Washington Street Streetscape project. Circle K finally signed off so bids will go out in January or March. Mayor Todd stated that there is a little bit of sidewalk between what was just poured at the four-way and what the grant will take care of; a permit was applied for to just finish it off. Once the grant comes through it can be finished. Randy stated it should be May or June by the time they break ground.

PUBLIC BUILDINGS, MAINTENANCE, AND EQUIPMENT: Scott Baltz stated there were 20 lights changed to LED lights at the sewer plant; eight outside and 12 inside. It was free of charge through Ameren.

CABLE SERVICES AND CELL TOWERS: none

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS: Mike French stated the Cotter Agreement is in addition to the annexation of the property that was approved at the November 23rd meeting. This agreement would waive their tap fees and would abate any real estate tax increases for the years 2021, 2022, and 2023. Mike French made a motion to accept the Cotter Agreement as presented. Al Lehr seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Ordinance 1226 is to Amend Chapter 150 Inspection Fee Schedule. It is in the Village ordinances for building regulations. It is the new fee schedule for inspections. Mike French made a motion to accept Ordinance 1226 as presented. Al Lehr seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Ordinance 1227 is for Authorizing the Sale of a Village Personal Property. It is for used equipment such as a police vehicle, lawn mowers, and printers. Adam Romero will be authorized to use his discretion for value of the items. Mike French made a motion to accept Ordinance 1227 as presented. Mike Capell seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

ANNEXATIONS: none

PARKS, POOL AND RECREATION: Mark Todd stated the swim report was on the agenda but wasn't in his packet. It can be gone over at the meeting on Monday, January 11th. Tracy Holmes stated it was interesting to see because it showed the cost of the pool regardless if it is open. Mayor Todd added that 2019 was the first time in a long time that the pool has gotten close to breaking even so it is good to see how much it costs to run.

CEMETERY: none

COMMUNITY CENTER: Mark Todd stated he talked with Patty Evansco. The Senior Center made 277 safety calls in November to check on the seniors during Covid and make sure they are getting everything they need. They had a Zoom meeting with the health inspector; there were no violations. There are still tickets available for the quilt raffle that will be held on Friday, December 18th.

PLANNING COMMISSION & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT: Mike French stated there is a Planning Commission meeting scheduled for Tuesday, December 14th. It is based on agenda. The following meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, January 19th.

TIF: none

PUBLIC SAFETY:

Police Department – none

Emergency Service and Disaster Agency – Mayor Todd stated he talked with Tony Gomric. He replaced the batteries in the radios at the shed.

Fire Department – none

BUILDING COMMISSIONER: Adam Romero stated he has been updating the ordinances and should have the business applications finalized by next week.

OLD BUSINESS: Mike Capell stated he received an email that the Village is in the queue for the new website to be built.

NEW BUSINESS: Mayor Todd stated that the Village applied for the DCEO Economic Support Approval for the grants to help local businesses. He is waiting to hear back. Businesses had to respond the previous week. The grants will help cover losses and Covid expenses. Once the Village is approved by DCEO then he can look at the packets from the businesses. Then the decision on how much each business receives can be made.

Randy Burk asked if there was a decision made yet on the grant for the water main. Mayor Todd answered that he was told there would be an answer in January.

Mayor Todd stated he talked with the Greens who ran the concession stand at the park. They are not interested in running it again with the Covid rules. Mayor Todd will have something put out to see if someone would be interested in running it if it can be open next summer.

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

CLERK'S REPORT: Tracy Holmes 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: Mayor Todd stated Santa is out in the neighborhoods tonight. The Optimists are sponsoring him and the Fire Department is escorting him. Judging for the lighting contest sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce, Commercial Club, and Optimists will be on Thursday, December 17th.

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

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

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

Crissy Pipik, Clerk

Mike Todd, Mayor