

**VILLAGE OF MILLSTADT  
VILLAGE HALL  
AUGUST 9, 2021  
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, Mark Todd, and Dustin Trankle. Trustee Ray Famula was absent. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

A motion was made by Mike Capell to approve the July 26<sup>th</sup> minutes. Mike French seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

COMMUNICATIONS OR CORRESPONDENCE: Mayor Todd stated he received a thank you from the Swim Team for the work that was done to prepare for their All-Star Meet.

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: Dustin Trankle stated the two issues on Mill Street have been resolved. The issue on Tyler Street is still pending.

WATER: Mayor Todd stated he talked to Brian Bowman and the hydrant report will be in the office by August 10<sup>th</sup> for ISO testing. Fire Chief Pellmann would like one of the maintenance crew to go with ISO to open the hydrants for the flow testing.

REFUSE: none

MOSQUITO CONTROL: none

STREETS, ALLEYS AND SIDEWALKS: Randy Burk stated the Millstadt VFW has requested to distribute poppies and accept donations at the 4-way as they have in the past. Randy Burk made a motion to allow the Millstadt VFW to collect at the 4-way on Friday, October 8<sup>th</sup> from 3pm to 7pm and on Saturday, October 9<sup>th</sup> from 8am to noon. Mike Capell seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Randy Burk stated he and Mayor Todd met with all the parties involved with the West Washington Street streetscape project. The project began on Monday, August 9<sup>th</sup> and has 56 days to be completed. The project goes along West Washington Street from

Jefferson Street to Monroe Street. Randy added that he hopes the project can continue down to Polk Street in the years to come.

Scott Baltz stated the entrance to Lake Briar Drive has been completed and the entrance to Briar's Landing should be completed by Friday, August 13<sup>th</sup>.

PUBLIC BUILDINGS, MAINTENANCE, AND EQUIPMENT: none

CABLE SERVICES AND CELL TOWERS: none

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS: none

ANNEXATIONS: Mayor Todd stated he and Adam Romero are reviewing a lot at the end of Josiah Lane. Right now, the lot is in the County. The owners would like to split it into three lots then get annexed into the Village. It will need some easement agreements before being annexed.

PARKS, POOL AND RECREATION: Mayor Todd stated there is a Park Board meeting after the Village Board meeting. They will be discussing the Biathlon. Mayor Todd thanked SISBL for using Diamond 1 for their tournaments this summer. The Village made \$1,045 as well as the profit from the concession stand.

CEMETERY: none

COMMUNITY CENTER: Mayor Todd stated Scott Baltz gave Director Patty Evansco a bid to fix the ramp. The bid was between \$22,000 and \$24,000. Patty is going to look at the grants she can apply for to help cover the cost. Something will need to be done with the ramp by next year.

PLANNING COMMISSION & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT: Mike French stated the next Planning Commission meeting will be on Tuesday, August 17<sup>th</sup>.

TIF: none

PUBLIC SAFETY:

*Police Department* – Police Chief Alan Hucke stated the Youth Academy went well. They had 19 participants from seven different schools. Lieutenant Dugger and Officer Witschie ran a successful program.

*Emergency Service and Disaster Agency* – Scott Baltz stated he talked with Global Tech about repairing the cemetery siren. They will be getting back to him with available dates.  
*Fire Department* – none

BUILDING COMMISSIONER: none

OLD BUSINESS: Mike French stated he talked with Germann Brick about doing the base and sides for the new monument style entrance signs. The signs will cost between \$12,000 and \$16,000 depending on how many sides are engraved. Mayor Todd asked Mike to get with the committee, get a definite price, and the issue will be on the next agenda. He would like to have the concrete base done while the concrete finisher is still working in town. Mike stated the base could be poured while waiting for the new signs.

Mayor Todd stated he needed a motion to go out for bids for work on Tuffy Mueth Field. The field won't need new dirt because the dirt that's there can be moved around the field. The scoreboard will get moved to the outfield, a new fence will be installed, and the bullpens will be outside the field of play. Mike Capell made a motion to go out for bids for improvements at Tuffy Mueth Field. Randy Burk seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS: Mayor Todd stated he and Randy Burk met with Heartland Conservation Alliance last week. They are doing a survey on the watershed in the Prairie Du Pont Water District. They are looking at flooding problems including storm and sanitary sewers. They are meeting with local towns and getting information so that they can meet monthly. They will want someone from the Village to attend the meetings. Mayor Todd will keep the Board updated until then.

CITIZENS COMMENTS: Gabriel Theis stated he is with Scout Troop 62 and is working on his Eagle Scout project. He asked if he could repaint the entrance signs and landscape around them. Mayor Todd stated they are being replaced but maybe the sign could be moved to a new location and he could maintain it there. A few ideas were discussed. Mayor Todd stated they will find something for Gabriel to do for his Eagle Scout project.

Butch Hettenhausen stated he has an issue with how the golf carts in town are being used. In cars small children have to be in approved car seats and people have to wear seatbelts but in golf carts he has seen people driving with their children in their arms and not being secured. He believes that eventually there will be an accident with a golf cart against a car and it will be a serious problem. Some of the golf carts do not have working tail lights and indicators. He has also seen numerous young teens driving. He doesn't think the golf carts need to be as equipped as cars but the Village needs to look harder at what issues could arise because of what is happening now.

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

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Crissy Pipik, Clerk

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Mike Todd, Mayor