

**VILLAGE OF MILLSTADT
VILLAGE HALL
OCTOBER 11, 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, Ray Famula, Mike French, Mark Todd, and Dustin Trankle. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

A motion was made by Mike Capell to approve the September 27th minutes. Ray Famula 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. Ray Famula seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

PERSONNEL: Mike Capell stated the health insurance contract needed to be approved. The contract is going up 8.6% from the previous contract. Mike Capell made a motion to approve the Village health insurance contract for \$22,976.72 per month. Randy Burk seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC WORKS:

SEWER: Dustin Trankle stated the new equipment for the sewer plant upgrade has been delivered. Scott Baltz stated the storm sewer in Parkview will be lined this week.

WATER: none

REFUSE: Dustin Trankle stated the leaf dumpsters will be available on Friday, October 22nd at the maintenance shed. They are for leaf and yard waste only.

MOSQUITO CONTROL: none

STREETS, ALLEYS AND SIDEWALKS: Randy Burk stated he has heard compliments about the streetscape project. Scott Baltz added that they should be finishing the south side of the road within the next week and will be moving to the north side.

PUBLIC BUILDINGS, MAINTENANCE, AND EQUIPMENT: none

CABLE SERVICES AND CELL TOWERS: Mark Todd stated none

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS: Mike French stated Ordinance 1241 for zoning case V-188 for the property at 15 North Jefferson Street. It addresses the parking lot requirements for the property. Mike French made a motion to accept Ordinance 1241 as presented. Randy Burk seconded the motion. The motion carried with Ray Famula voting present.

Mike French stated Ordinance 1242 is for zoning case SU-53 for the property at 15 North Jefferson Street. It is to allow mixed use in a B2 district. Mike French made a motion to accept Ordinance 1242 as presented. Mike Capell seconded the motion. The motion carried with Ray Famula voting present.

Mike French stated Resolution 21-10 is for the time and place for the 2022 Village Board minutes. There are no Tuesday meetings scheduled. Mike French made a motion to accept Resolution 21-10 as presented. Ray Famula seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Mike French stated Ordinance 1243 is to amend Section 137.06 in the municipal code. It lists which weapons are prohibited, expands on the type of weapons and gives a clearer definition. Ray Famula seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

ANNEXATIONS: Mike French stated none

PARKS, POOL AND RECREATION: Mayor Todd stated there were four bids for the work that needs to be done at Tuffy Mueth Field. DMS Construction bid \$326,575. Mayer Landscaping bid \$326,900. Byrne & Jones Construction bid \$403,980. Right Way Traffic Control bid \$64,750 but their bid was only for fence work. There are two grants that will be used for the project with possibly a third. Ray Famula made a motion to award the project to DMS Construction for \$326,575. Randy Burk seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Mark Todd stated St. James requested a donation for their annual dinner auction. The Village has donated a splash party at the pool in previous years. Mark Todd made a motion to donate a splash party to the St. James Annual Dinner Auction. Mike Capell seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

CEMETERY: Mayor Todd stated the landscaping needs to be cleaned up in the front of the cemetery.

COMMUNITY CENTER: Ray Famula stated the Senior Center fiscal year ended September 30th. The Center served 34,469 meals which is the most meals served in the history of the Senior Center. They will again be putting together a wall to honor the local Veterans for Veterans Day. AgeSmart is offering them funding to include New Athens in their service area. There is a Halloween Party scheduled for October 29th. They are currently taking applications for LIHEAP. The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, October 19th at 6pm.

PLANNING COMMISSION & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT: Mike French stated the next Planning Commission meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, October 19th. Mayor Todd stated the trustees received information on dividing up the property at the end of Josiah Lane that was recently annexed into the Village. The properties will be going to adjoining property owners including one business. Randy Burk made a motion to approve the division of the parcel at the end of Josiah Lane. Mike French seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

TIF: none

PUBLIC SAFETY:

Police Department – none

Emergency Service and Disaster Agency – none

Fire Department – none

BUILDING COMMISSIONER: none

OLD BUSINESS: Mayor Todd stated Scott Baltz received the report for the EPA testing at the shed. Scott stated he did not see any issues in the report he has looked at but he still needs to review it.

Scott Baltz stated he talked with a striper who will be putting yellow lines down on the tennis court for pickleball. It should be done by the end of the month.

Mike French stated he will have information on the new entrance signs at the next Village Board meeting. Ray Famula added he had talked with Otto Faulbaum about possibly incorporating the Sister Cities in the new sign. Mike stated he had talked to Otto about possibly adding additional signage since the design was already completed on the new signs.

NEW BUSINESS: Mayor Todd stated the Village will be applying for a DCEO grant in January to extend the streetscape on Washington Street. If the Village is awarded the grant, it would extend the streetscape one block to the east and one block to the west. If the Village is not awarded that grant then a different grant will be applied for from ITEP, but that grant would only allow extension to the west.

CITIZENS COMMENTS: Betty Keller Timmer gave the Board a contract for work done to the old water tower. She asked for a resolution to be approved at the next Village Board meeting. Randy Burk asked if the specifications for the work is included in the contract. Mrs. Timmer answered yes.

Resident Nick Ivey asked, regarding Ordinance 1243, what is considered a dangerous weapon. Police Chief Alan Hucke stated it is for anything that can be construed to be a dangerous weapon. Discussion followed about what is considered dangerous. Chief Hucke stated

it comes down to what is considered reasonable. Resident Kasey Hay asked how to get written permission to use certain weapons. Mayor Todd stated there will be a form in the Village Office that can be filled out.

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

Crissy Pipik, Clerk

Mike Todd, Mayor