

**VILLAGE OF MILLSTADT  
VILLAGE HALL  
MARCH 28, 2022  
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 Ray Famula to approve the March 14<sup>th</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. Ray Famula seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

PERSONNEL: none

PUBLIC WORKS:

SEWER: none

WATER: Dustin Trankle stated the new water tower was not cleaned out as planned. There was a discrepancy with the actual level of water in the tank and the gauge reading. Scott Baltz is working with Illinois American and Brian to find a solution. Scott is also talking with Pittsburgh Tank Company to reschedule the cleaning.

REFUSE: none

MOSQUITO CONTROL: none

STREETS, ALLEYS, AND SIDEWALKS: Randy Burk stated he and Scott Baltz are working on new projects in town. They are working on lining the sewer line on Lexington Street and West Harrison Street.

PUBLIC BUILDINGS, MAINTENANCE, AND EQUIPMENT: none

CABLE SERVICES AND CELL TOWERS: none

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS: Mike French stated Resolution 22-02 is regarding Stonemark Development LLC and green space funds. When new developments come in, a set amount of space must be allocated for green space or a monetary amount is due to the Village to be used towards green space. Stonemark would like the money to be transferred to the Park Fund to be used in the parks. Mike French made a motion to approve Resolution 22-02 as presented. Randy Burk seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously. Mayor Todd clarified that the money was already given to the Village when the project was developed.

ANNEXATIONS: none

PARKS, POOL, AND RECREATION: Mark Todd stated the Village has sponsored a MSA team in previous years. Mark Todd made a motion to sponsor a Millstadt Sports Association team for 2022. Mike Capell seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Mark stated Scott Baltz talked with the striping company and the pickleball court should be striped soon.

CEMETERY: none

COMMUNITY CENTER: Ray Famula stated *Today In St. Louis* will be filming a segment on Thursday, March 31<sup>st</sup> at the Senior Center; they will be discussing how the center and the Village managed the pandemic. Ray stated the damaged freezer has been replaced and is in use. The Senior Center Board has decided that they will now be meeting quarterly.

PLANNING COMMISSION & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT: Mike French stated the next Planning Commission meeting will be held on Tuesday, April 19<sup>th</sup>.

TIF: none

PUBLIC SAFETY:

*Police Department* – none

*Emergency Service and Disaster Agency* - none

*Fire Department* – Dustin Trankle stated the annual Fire Department Bar-B-Que will be held the Saturday before Easter, April 16<sup>th</sup>.

BUILDING COMMISSIONER: none

OLD BUSINESS: Mayor Todd stated he, Tracy Holmes, and the department heads have the budget almost completed. They are just waiting on a few items.

Mayor Todd stated he is waiting on TWM so that the sewer lining project on West Harrison Street and Lexington Drive can begin. Village engineer James Barganier will look into what is holding it up.

Mayor Todd stated Straight Up Solar, who was getting the information together for a grant, did not get the information in time to apply for the grant for solar panels at the sewer plant. They are still going to get prices for the project in case it can continue to move forward. Ameren is still assisting the Village in getting more efficient blowers for the sewer plant.

Mike French stated he is still working with Germann Brick to get a start date for the entrance signs.

NEW BUSINESS: Mayor Todd stated he, Tracy Holmes, and Mike Capell met with the insurance company that provides Village's liability insurance. After December they will not be providing everything the Village needs. Mayor Todd will be meeting with other Villages to consider creating a co-op for liability insurance.

Mayor Todd stated he priced out rock for oil and chipping. He will get a committee together to decide which rock to use so that it can be budgeted into the motor fuel tax.

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

CITIZENS COMMENTS: Carol Gomric stated she would like the ordinance concerning no parking on Washington Street amended. Her son spoke to Tim at IDOT who told her the state had no issue with there being parking on Washington Street. Randy Burk stated that due to the approved engineering for the streetscape project changing the parking could jeopardize the future grants for the project. Michael Gomric stated she has lived in her house on West Washington Street since 1973 and has always been able to park on the street. Due to a fence the neighbor has put up she is unable to park in her driveway and exit her vehicle. The Village is keeping her from parking in front of her home. Discussion followed. Scott Baltz stated that according to the Federal Highway Administration the entire block must either have parking or no parking on the street; just allowing parking in front of Mrs. Gomric's home is not a possibility. Mr. Gomric stated they were advised by the Americans with Disabilities Act to file a complaint. Mayor Todd asked why she could not park in her driveway. Mrs. Gomric answered that because the neighbor put up a wooden privacy fence on the property line, she does not have enough room to fully open her car door. Years before there had been a chain link fence offset of the property line which still

allowed for her to fully open her door. Building Commissioner Adam Romero stated he would look into the building application for the fence and will come take a look at the situation.

Resident Felix Erlenbusch stated he had a complaint about the condition of Mueller Lane. There are giant potholes that have been filled with rocks that are too large that then get swept off before the holes are filled. When the snow removal was last done, they took sod off his yard because they could not tell where the edge of the road was. When he talked with a worker while the entrances were being done at the Briar's, he was told it was not their responsibility. Mayor Todd stated he would have it looked into and will have the road patched up.

Resident Kevin Schmitt stated he is running for state representative for a new district that includes Millstadt and Millstadt Township. Anyone with questions can talk with him after the meeting is over.

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

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Crissy Pipik, Clerk

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Mike Todd, Mayor