

This Regular Board meeting was called to order by President Mire at 7:00p.m.

Roll Call:

Physically Present – Fiems, Enloe, Robertson, Rankin

Absent –Fowler, Schnieder

Others Physically Present – Sherriff's Deputy, Clerk Housenga, Attorney Nick Mason, Treasurer Barber, Public Works Director Bump, Chris Cooper of MSA Professional Services

Others Virtually Present – Sarah Ford, Steve Haring of MSA Professional Services

A quorum was physically established.

CONSENT "Omnibus" Agenda: Robertson motioned to approve 12/14/2021 Regular Meeting Minutes, 01/2021 Monthly Bills totaling \$95,014.43 and Treasure's Report presented by Barber for 12/2021; Fiems seconded. All present members voted yes, motion passes.

PERSONS TO ADDRESS THE BOARD: None.

PRESIDENT – Mire: Mire established budget planning meeting dates for fiscal year 2022/2023. Committee of the Whole meetings will be held February 16th, March 2nd and 23rd, April 20th and 27th.

POLICE REPORT: Report as presented.

ATTORNEY – N. Mason: Mason gave an update concerning the property the Village has been trying to file with the courts as abandoned. A court date has been established for February 14th, although a Quit Claim Deed was filed on 01/07/2022. No title work was completed even though the deed was completed in 2020. Charges associated with the property include \$1903.17 and charges for mowing the property in the amount of \$375.00. Attorney's fees are unknown at this time. Mire states he is interested in recouping the moneys that the Village has invested in the property. Once funds are received in whole the abandonment proceeding would then cease. Fiems motioned to authorize Mire and Attorney Mason to determine appropriate and reasonable amount owed associated with utilities and services provided by the village at 518 17th Street; time frame of which the money shall be paid to release of the property from abandonment and to allow village services to once again resume. Robertson seconded the motion, all present members of the board voted yes. Motion passes.

FIRE REPORT – Chief Carey: Report reviewed as provided.

DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS REPORT: Report as presented.

INFRASTRUCTURE – Rankin: Chris Cooper of MSA Professional Services gave an update on the replacement of the 13th Street culvert. Boring report was received last Friday which indicated no issues are presenting at this time with the new sanitary laterals that are to be installed. Submissions to IDOT are expected to be completed next week.

As for the Waterloo project updates, McClintock had laid the pipe, completed the live taps, pits have been back filled in as much as possible for the time being. Water is in the pipes, but it is isolated as biological test results are being processed, once tests have passed a permit will need to be applied for from the EPA. Due requirements from the railroad additional monitoring surveys will need to be conducted for up to six months as unforeseen issues with boring, pipe insertion and grouting occurred. Cooper states the additional surveying cost could possibly be as much as \$9,000.00. Once more information is available Cooper will communicate with the Village. Cooper stated the current scope of work related to this project for engineering costs will be changed to include \$3,000.00 of surveying as required. Once a definite dollar amount for all surveying costs is known Cooper will present that figure a future date. Cooper also confirmed the property located on South Shore Lane has had back fill completed up to three feet below grade. Once warmer weather sets in the remainder of the hole will be filled with topsoil. Discussions will take place concerning a tree that was removed. Mire wants final payment held until ground restoration has been completed to the homeowner's satisfaction in the spring. Rankin motioned to approve Axiom's Task Authorization Contract along with payout of \$156,500.00, which covers the scope of services related to due diligence investigations and designing process to reconstruct of 17th Street in three phases as detailed. Fiems seconded the motion, all present members voted yes. Motion passes.

PARKS, RECREATION & CEMETERY – Robertson: Robertson explained the previously approved Phase I Site Assessment has been completed and is in hand. The Corps of Engineers will be contacted to ensure the best delivery method.

COMMUNITY RELATIONS, EVENT PLANNING & PUBLIC SAFTEY – Fowler: Nothing to report at this time.

ORDINANCE & LICENSES –Fiems: Nothing to report at this time.

PERSONNEL & FINANCE – Schneider: The matter of honoring Juneteenth has been tabled as Mire would like to have all board input.

ELECTIONS – Mire: Nothing to report at this time.

BUILDING, ZONING & PLANNING – Enloe: 1 demolition and 1 plumbing permit was issued last month.

OLD BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS: None.

PUBLIC DISCUSSION: None.

With nothing further to discuss Fiems motioned to conclude this Regular Board Meeting at 7:37pm. Rankin seconded the motion, all members of the Board concurred.

Missy M. Housenga
Village Clerk