Village of Herscher Board Meeting July 17, 2023 7:00P.M.

Village President Shannon Sweeney called the meeting to order with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. The following Trustees were present: Jeremy Bauer, Mike Bruner, Gayle Landeck, Andy Cotter, Jacob Wagner, and Skip Grigas. Also present, Police Chief Kurt Quick, Village Clerk Heather Meredith, Attorney Chris Bohlen, Janet Mau from the Herscher Pilot, and resident Nancy Freese.

Skip Grigas moved to approve the Regular minutes of July 3, 2023; Mike Bruner seconded. All in favor. Motion carried. 4-0-3 Jacob Wagner, Andy Cotter, and Jeremy Bauer abstained as they were absent from the last meeting.

Skip Grigas moved to approve the Executive minutes of July 3, 2023; Gayle Landeck seconded. All in favor. Motion carried. 4-0-3 Jacob Wagner, Andy Cotter, and Jeremy Bauer abstained as they were absent from the last meeting.

STREETS:

Jacob Wagner said that we received 2 bids for the ADA Sidewalk. The 2 bids were from Tobey's Construction & Cartage Inc. in the amount of \$42,438 and Scanlon Excavating & Concrete Inc. in the amount of \$37,670.00.

Jacob Wagner moved to accept the lowest bid from Scanlon Excavating & Concrete Inc in the amount of \$37,670.00. Skip Grigas seconded. Roll call taken: Jacob Wagner-aye, Mike Bruner-aye, Andy Cotter-aye, Jeremy Bauer-aye, Skip Grigas-aye, and Gayle Landeck-aye. All in favor; Motion Carried.

FINANCE:

Mike Bruner presented the Accounts Payable Report totaling \$54,926.01 to the Board for payment. Mike Bruner moved to accept the accounts payable as presented. Skip Grigas seconded. Roll call taken: Jacob Wagner-aye, Mike Bruner-aye, Andy Cotter-aye, Jeremy Bauer-aye, Skip Grigas-aye, and Gayle Landeck-aye. All in favor; Motion Carried.

Mike Bruner moved to approve the Payroll Report with only the IMRF monthly bill totaling \$2,328.58 to the Board for payment. Skip Grigas seconded. Roll call taken: Jacob Wagner-aye, Mike Bruner-aye, Andy Cotter-aye, Jeremy Bauer-aye, Skip Grigas-aye, and Gayle Landeck-aye. All in favor; Motion Carried.

Mike Bruner added:

- The Personal Property Replacement Tax is in at \$23,921.65
- The Regular Sales Tax from April is in at \$25,081.17
- The 1% Non-Home Rule Sales Tax is in from April at \$11,098.65
- The Telecom Tax is in from April in the amount of \$1,056.38
- The Local Share of Income Tax collected in June is in at \$22,857.49
- The Local Share of the State Use Tax is in from April in the amount of \$4,653.84
- The Local Share of Cannabis Use Tax collected in June is in at \$192.88
- The Local Share of Video Gaming Tax collected in June is in at \$2,191.70

PARKS:

Andy Cotter said that Ruder Electric will be looking at the Sims Park scoreboard. He added that he will be getting some signs for the walking path to say no motorized vehicles on the walking path.

WATER AND SEWER:

Jeremy Bauer Well 8 is scheduled. A different adapter is needed for additional \$4,500. The chemicals are ordered for the lagoon. An aerator pump needs to be repaired. The new door has been installed at the Water Treatment Plant. The visual will be completed the end of July for the old water tower.

ORDINANCE:

Gayle Landeck said they did a walkthrough of the house vacant house on N Oak. Not a lot was wrong with it but a letter will still be sent to the property management company on a few items that need to be addressed. Gayle said that Chief Quick has shown an interest in taking over Code. Chief Quick said that he is willing to have his Officers do some patrol for code issues. He said that other towns have their officer's due code.

POLICE:

Chief Quick says that he has a couple of part time officers that are interested in a full-time position. The first one that he would suggest promoting to full time would not be using our health insurance but would like more pay than our starting pay. The consensus was to see if the other interested officer would take the position with out any pay increases. We could possibly consider higher salary since he would not be taking the health insurance.

Skip Grigas motioned to donate to the Bradley Police Department for National Night Out in the amount of \$250.00. Jacob Wagner seconded. Roll call taken Jacob Wagner-aye, Mike Bruner-aye, Andy Cotter-aye, Skip Grigas-aye, Jeremy Bauer-aye and Gayle Landeck-aye. All in favor; motion carried.

Chief Quick was approached about doing patrol in Buckingham. He thinks that as much as we are in Buckingham assisting county we might as well get compensated for it. Attorney Bohlen says that we would need an intergovernmental agreement to do so.

Chief Quick said that we have a few issues with minors being out after curfew and entering unlocked garages. With, he asked Attorney Bohlen about doing our own adjudication or just sending it toe the courts. Attorney Bohlen suggest we continue sending it to the courts since we do not have a lot of ordinance tickets.

OLD BUSINESS:

Mike Bruner moved to approve the updated Verizon Contract. Skip Grigas seconded. All in favor; motion carried.

At the next meeting will decide on the Bonomo trailer variance.

NEW BUSINESS:

Andy Cotter moved to approve Building Permit Extension at 495 N Vernon. Mike Bruner seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.

Shannon wanted to make the Board aware of Comcast request for permit. We do not really need to do anything just making the Board aware. He also said that we are waiting to hear from Surf Internet on the boring results from the oil that they came up while boring. Shannon had met with the EPA and the Fire Marshal. Surf internet wants to do magnetic testing vs digging.

OPEN TO THE FLOOR:

Nancy Freese had complaints about the dog park. She said that since the dog part was made, she has had people walking through the property she manages and not cleaning up after there dogs. She also has an issue with her residents parking in the park overnight. Andy Cotter says that he will get signs that say no parking 11pm to 7 am in the parks. The Board suggest that she puts signs up since the walkers are trespassing.

Motion to adjourn by Gayle Landeck. Seconded by Andy Cotter. All in favor. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Heather Meredith, Village Clerk

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