

WALNUT VILLAGE BOARD MINUTES
Tuesday May 17, 2022

The meeting with the President and Board of Trustees held on the 17th day of May 2022 started at 7:00 p.m. in the Village Hall in the Village of Walnut, IL.

President Rosenthal then directed the Clerk to call roll and the following Trustees answered present: Brian Stull, John Middleton, Lee Johnston, Brian Smith and Melissa Dye. Duane Christensen joined with Zoom.

President Rosenthal asked if there were any additions or corrections to make to the regular meeting minutes from May 3, 2022. With none made, a motion made by Smith and second by Johnston to approve the minutes. On roll call vote, all present voted in favor and the motion carried.

Treasurer Wolf presented the bills for \$10,464.96. A motion made by Stull and second by Middleton to approve the bills as presented. On roll call vote, all present voted in favor and the motion carried.

Chief emailed out his report to all the board members

Spt. Minks let everyone know about the town clean-up for May 23 – 27. If anyone has something big that they want to get rid of they can call the office. We will not take electronics. It is also posted on the website.

There is a tree on First Street at the end on the East side that is our responsibility. It's dead and needs to be removed. Spt. Minks received a quote from Guither Tree Services for \$750. A motion made by Stull and second by Middleton to approve the \$750 quote from Guither Tree Services. On roll call vote, all present voted in favor and the motion carried.

Finance Committee – Nothing at this time.

Streets & Alleys – Johnston stated that he and Spt. Minks met with Treasurer Wolf to discuss the list of street repairs and the budget. With a \$205,000 budget, roughly \$75,000 is tied to Pavement Maintenance for the chip and seal project. The bid for five roads they looked at getting chipped and sealed came back at \$101,422. So we are off over \$26,000. The cul de sacs that have been discussed, Crestview and Pleasant Ct., we received the bid back with engineering fees from Willett Hoffman with a total of \$158,090 which is over the original bids they got from McDonald Trucking. This has not gone out for letting. As soon as this goes out to letting and we get the sealed bids there is a possibility it will be even more because of the price of product. Middleton reviewed the streets that we are looking to chip and seal. The list of streets are Fourth, Fifth, Red Oak, Liberty and Wyanet-Walnut. Johnston stated that we might have to scale back on our chip and seal project. Spt. Minks is going to get a quote for just Red Oak, Liberty and Wyanet-Walnut. Johnston stated that they would like to take the \$158,000 out of our Motor Fuel Tax. Willett & Hoffman thought that would be a good idea to do. Both projects are engineered. Spt. Minks stated once we get the final bids the board will have to decide and vote on what they want to do. Spt. Minks stated that we need to sign some paperwork if we want to move forward with the letting. That paperwork gives Willett & Hoffmann permission to proceed with the letting. After they have the letting then the prices will come back to the board so they can make a final decision on what they want to do. Spt. Minks received an email from the State saying that anything over \$30,000 has to be put out for bid. The cap used to be \$20,000 and has now been increased to \$30,000.

Water & Sewer – Nothing at this time.

Garbage – Nothing at this time.

Law and Order – Nothing at this time.

Cemetery – Nothing at this time.

Local Improvements – Smith spoke with Kari about the last grant that we applied for and nothing has happened yet. He also wanted to commend Spt. Minks and the Ladies for sending all the letters out to the properties that have been a challenge. Things are getting done and cleaned up.

Old Business – Nothing at this time.

At 7:27p.m. a motion was made by Middleton and second by Johnston to go into closed session to discuss pending litigations 5 ILCS 120/2 (c)(4) action against, affecting, or on behalf of the particular body that has been filed and is pending in court or administrative tribunal, or when the public body finds

that such an action is probable or imminent. On roll call vote, all present voted in favor and the motion carried.

At 7:37 p.m. a motion made by Stull and second by Smith to go back into open session. On roll call vote, all present voted in favor and the motion carried.

With no other business to come before the board, Stull made a motion to adjourn, Dye second the motion and on roll call vote, all voted in favor and the meeting adjourned at 7:44 p.m.

Tiffany Pistole
Village Clerk