

## WALNUT VILLAGE BOARD MINUTES

Tuesday May 16, 2023

The meeting with the President and Board of Trustees held on the 16<sup>th</sup> day of May 2023 started at 7:00 p.m. in the Village Hall in the Village of Walnut, IL.

President Rosenthal directed the Clerk to call roll and the following Trustees answered present: Brian Stull, John Middleton, Lee Johnston and Brian Smith.

President Rosenthal asked if there were any additions or corrections to make to the regular meeting minutes from May 2, 2023. 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 \$20,497.12. 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.

President Rosenthal stated that he has spoken with Bryan Arteberry about being a Village Trustee. President Rosenthal recommended that Bryan Arteberry fill the vacant seat on the board. A motion made by Johnston and second by Stull to approve Bryan Arteberry as the new Village Trustee. On roll call vote, all present voted in favor and the motion carried.

Next on the agenda is to discuss the Golf Cart / ATV ordinance. It has been brought to President Rosenthal's attention that there have been a lot of golf carts and ATVs driving on Rt. 92. That is in violation of the state law. If someone needed to cross you may use the most direct path to cross on Rt. 92. No one should be driving their golf carts / ATVs to Dollar General.

Chief wanted to discuss the Peddlers Permit Ordinance. With the recent storms we have had a lot of Peddlers coming into town. With our current ordinance they have to come in fill out an application, have Chief review it and they pay \$20 per day per person. Chief emailed out a proposed ordinance change. Chief would like to charge a non-refundable \$200 just for the application.

Spt. Minks stated that he was asked to sit on a committee for the Walnut Township Board. Spt. Minks said the Township would like to sign an Intergovernmental Agreement so equipment can be used by both parties. Smith asked if we would need liability insurance before anything is done. Spt. Minks said he will check into the insurance.

Finance Committee – Nothing at this time.

Streets & Alleys – The streets that were ground up are supposed to sit for at least a month and let them get some rain. We got plenty of rain and now there are ruts in the road. Spt. Minks is going to put some rock in the soft areas. It should be done by the 4<sup>th</sup> of July.

Water & Sewer – Spt. Minks is looking into getting more media for the water plant.

Garbage – Nothing at this time.

Law and Order - Nothing at this time.

Cemetery – Middleton stated that he had four ash trees looked at out at the cemetery. He makes the recommendation that we have these treated. A motion made by Middleton and second by Stull to treat the four ash trees at the cemetery for \$90 per tree every other year by Taylor's Way out of Princeton, IL. On roll call vote, all present voted in favor and the motion carried.

Local Improvements – Smith received an update on the solar project. ComEd has completed their initial review of the connection.

Middleton thanked Anya Barnas and Tonya Spencer for planting the flowers on Main Street.

Old Business – Nothing at this time.

At 7:44 p.m. a motion was made by Middleton and second by Stull to go into closed session for the reading of old closed session minutes from 4-5-22, 4-12-22, 4-19-22 and 5-17-22. On roll call vote, all present voted in favor and the motion carried.

At 7:50 p.m. a motion made by Stull and second by Johnston to go into open session. On roll call vote, all present voted in favor and the motion carried.

A motion made by Stull and second by Smith to keep closed session minutes closed. 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, Smith second the motion and on roll call vote, all voted in favor and the meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Tiffany Miller  
Village Clerk