

**WALNUT VILLAGE BOARD MINUTES**  
**Tuesday, December 5, 2023**

The meeting with the President and Board of Trustees held on the 5<sup>th</sup> day of December 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: Bryan Arteberry, Brian Stull, John Middleton, Lee Johnston, Brian Smith and Melissa Dye.

President Rosenthal asked if there were any additions or corrections to make to the regular meeting minutes from November 21, 2023. With none made, a motion made by Johnston and second by Smith to approve the minutes. On roll call vote, all present voted in favor and the motion carried.

Treasurer Wolf presented the bills for \$3,903.30. A motion made by Dye and second by Stull to approve the bills as presented. On roll call vote, all present voted in favor and the motion carried.

President Rosenthal stated that everyone has an invitation to TCI's open house. He also wanted to remind everyone that the Masonic Lodge is hosting a chili cook off between the Fire Department and Police Department on December 15 at 7:00 pm.

President Rosenthal wanted to remind everyone of the snow ordinance and if there is at least 3 inches of snow on the ground that people need to remove their vehicles from the street for the snow plows.

Next on the agenda is the recommendation from the Planning Commission regarding the Business District Minimum Yard Requirements. The Planning Commission agreed with what the Village had discussed and came up with setbacks for B-1 and B-2. A motion made by Arteberry and second by Johnston to approve the setbacks for the Business District Minimum Yard Requirements for B-1 and B-2. On roll call vote, all present voted in favor and the motion carried.

President Rosenthal discussed the closing hours for the taverns on Christmas Eve. It was discussed and approved a few years back to let the businesses set their own closing hours for Christmas Eve. The Ordinance was not updated at that time. If we still agree with this then we will get the Ordinance amended. A motion made by Stull and second by Dye to remove the Christmas Eve hours from the Liquor Ordinance. On roll call vote, all present voted in favor and the motion carried.

Spt. Minks discussed having the property survey done for the sewer plant. With the solar coming in he thinks it would be in our best interest to have our property surveyed. Spt. Minks talked with the attorney and he said it would be roughly \$1,200.00 to have it the SW corner of the sewer plant surveyed. A motion made Middleton and second by Stull to approve the sewer plant survey. On roll call vote, all present voted in favor and the motion carried.

Spt. Minks also discussed a subscription for the Neptune belt clip for the water meters. On the invoice it has an annual entitlement fee for the belt clip and that is for the radio reader with a fee of \$659.54. Spt. Minks asked about the annual entitlement fee and the salesman said if anything happens to the belt clip a replacement will be sent to us to use while ours is getting fixed and for any updates. This annual entitlement fee is not something that we have to have. We can wait another year if we wanted to for any of the updates.

Finance Committee – Nothing at this time.

Streets & Alleys – Johnston stated that repairs were made to the NW side of Rodney Ave. for water issues. The repairs that were made were significant to a point but not enough. Johnston, Middleton and Spt. Minks met with Top Dog Concrete and he thinks he has a good solution. The cost would be \$1,650.00. They also figured three yards of concrete would also be needed for another cost of \$525.00. The total cost to fix it would be \$2,175.00. Johnston stated we hope this is the final fix for this issue. A motion made by Middleton and second by Stull to repair the flooding issue on the NW end of Rodney Ave. On roll call vote, all present voted in favor and the motion carried.

Water & Sewer – Nothing at this time.

Garbage – Nothing at this time.

Law & Order – Nothing at this time.

Cemetery – Nothing at this time.

Local Improvements –

Old Business – Nothing at this time.

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 present voted in favor and the meeting adjourned at 7:26 p.m.

Tiffany Miller,  
Village Clerk