

Village Board of Mt. Auburn
Regular Board Meeting

October 7, 2021

The Village Board met in regular session, Mayor Mike Whitehead presiding. The meeting was brought to order with a salute to the flag.

Roll Call: Mayor Mike Whitehead, Trustees: Brenda Patton-absent, Sandy Gooder-present, Rick Clayton-present, Dee-Dee Carey-present, Scott Vincent-absent, Don Henderson-absent.

Guests present: Lee Beckman, Vicki Simmons, Dixie Vincent, Dennis Atterberry and reporter, Rachael LeBeane.

A motion was made by Trustee Sandy Gooder and seconded by Rick Clayton to accept the Annual Audit from LMHN. Vote: Trustees: Brenda Patton-absent, Sandy Gooder-yes, Rick Clayton-yes, Dee-Dee Carey-yes, Scott Vincent-absent, Don Henderson-absent and Mayor Whitehead-yes.

Lee Beckman discussed the United Regional Water Cooperative and the progression of the water plant. The work is still going on. The board discussed work order #1, (attached) Mayor Whitehead told the board that some of these agreements were to keep the fire hydrants for the village to take out. The board was in agreement that this should be done while the construction crew was here. Lee told the board that a final change order will be turned in when the project is complete.

Mayor Whitehead questioned the plans for the water lines to run to the west. Lee told him that the plans were to run a line to the west. Mayor Whitehead was just concerned that the village would be served first.

The board was given Contractor's Application for Payment. (attached)

A motion was made by Trustee Sandy Gooder and seconded by Rick Clayton to pass Contractor's Application for Payment 5, 5A, 5B Vote: Trustees: Brenda Patton-absent, Sandy Gooder-yes, Rick Clayton-yes, Dee-Dee Carey-yes, Scott Vincent-absent, Don Henderson-absent Mayor Whitehead-yes
Motion carried

A Motion was made by Trustee Rick Clayton and seconded by Sandy Gooder to Pay the USDA Interest Payment of \$3,762.00. Vote: Trustees: Brenda Patton-absent, Sandy Gooder-yes, Rick Clayton-yes, Dee-Dee Carey-yes, Scott Vincent-absent, Don Henderson-absent, and Mayor Whitehead-yes
Motion carried

The board discussed the Trick or Treat hours. A motion was made by Trustees Sandy Gooder and seconded by Rick Clayton to set the hours for October 30 and 31st from 5p.m. to 8 p.m. Vote: Trustees: Brenda Patton-absent, Sandy Gooder-absent, Rick Clayton-yes, Dee-Dee Carey-yes, Scott Vincent-absent, Don Henderson-absent, and Mayor Whitehead-yes Motion carried

Amanda Rankins told the board that they would be having Trunk or Treat at the Firehouse October 30th from 5pm.-8p.m. Amanda invited the board to have a table set up. Trustee Dee -Dee Carey told the board that she would get the candy and participate in the event.

Vicki Simmons then asks the board if the meter that is between her and her mother was an active meter. Mayor Mike Whitehead told her he would check to see if the water is hooked up.

A bill was given to the board from Masten to spray for mosquitoes this year. The bill was \$2138.50 for 7 sprayings. A motion was made by Trustee Dee -Dee Carey and seconded by Sandy Gooder to pay the invoice in the amount of \$2138.50. Vote: Trustees: Brenda Patton-absent, Sandy Gooder=yes, Rick Clayton=yes, Dee -Dee Carey=yes, Scott Vincent-absent, Don Henderson-absent, and Mayor Whitehead=yes
Motion carried

The board then discussed the retaining wall and grant. Mayor Whitehead told the board that he had given a plan of the project to Hutchins Excavating but hadn't heard anything back. Several contractors were discussed about getting more bids to hope to get the price down for the grant money. Mike Moorefield, Hayden Brown was two discussed about getting bids from. The board would like to have the project done at a more affordable price.

The board then discussed the Christmas in the Park. Treasurer Saulsberry told the board that she would like to have this be a community project and had several people willing to work and several that may have lights and decorations to donate. A few who served on the Picnic Committee told the board that some electrical work needs to be done at the park. Some damage has been done and timers were needed. Charlene told the board that she was asking business's to put up a display or donate money, or both.

A motion was made by Trustee Sandy Gooder and seconded by Dee-Dee Carey to donate to the Christmas in the Park in the amount of \$250.00. Vote: Trustees: Brenda Patton-absent, Sandy Gooder=yes, Rick Clayton=yes, Dee-Dee Carey=yes, Scott Vincent-absent, Don Henderson-absent, and Mayor Whitehead=yes
Motion carried

Dennis Atterberry, Village Attorney told the board that Atterberry PC will donate \$100.00 for Christmas in the Park.

The board discussed the American Rescue Plan and discussed some of the uses that the village could use the money for. Some of the projects mentioned were: Water Tower, Siren for emergencies. Mayor Whitehead told the board that the grant was very strict about the uses for the money but he would check to see if the water tower project could be used.

Mayor Whitehead told the board that on West Temple Street this month trash had been piled by the street and he had Carey's Disposal pick it up before it was spread all over. The board discussed the landlord and Mayor Whitehead told them he had sent a picture of all the garbage but got no reply. The board will address this further when they get the bill.

The board talked about having the attorney write up a letter to the homeowner and put a lien on the property if bill is not paid. This will be discussed at a later meeting.

The board discussed Bob Casteel's property getting worse all the time. It was discussed to take a look at the property.

Mayor Whitehead told the board that he had been working at the school to get the playground equipment down. He has 4 swing sets down and holes filled. They also discussed the bus garage. It seems that it isn't known of all the people who rent the bays. The bays are going to need cleaned out before they can be rented out. Treasurer Saulsberry told them she is getting renters agreements for everyone and payment scheduled so the board knows what money is owed and when it comes due.

Trustee Rick Clayton reported that the roads have been oiled and he was happy with the job.

A motion was made by Trustee Dee-Dee Carey and seconded by Rick Clayton to accept the treasurer's report. Vote: Trustees: Brenda Patton-absent, Sandy Gooder-yes, Rick Clayton-yes, Dee-Dee Carey-yes, Scott Vincent-absent, Don Henderson-absent, and Mayor Whitehead-yes

A motion was made by Trustee Sandy Gooder and seconded by Rick Clayton to pay all bills for the month of October. Vote: Trustees: Brenda Patton-absent, Sandy Gooder-yes, Rick Clayton-yes, Dee-Dee Carey-yes, Scott Vincent-absent, Don Henderson-absent and Mayor Whitehead-yes

A motion was made by Trustee Rick Clayton and seconded by Dee-Dee Carey to accept the minutes of the September meeting. Vote: Trustees: Brenda Patton-absent, Sandy Gooder-yes, Rick Clayton-yes, Dee-Dee Carey-yes, Scott Vincent-absent, Don Henderson-absent, and Mayor Whitehead-yes
Motion carried

A motion was made by Trustee Rick Clayton and seconded by Sandy Gooder to adjourn. All in favor.

Next Village Board meeting will be November 2, 2021 @ 7:00p.m.

