

VILLAGE OF MOUNT AUBURN
REGULAR MEETING
DECEMBER 1, 2020

The Village Board of Mt. Auburn met in regular session with Mayor Amber Dooley presiding. The meeting was called to order with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present were: Mayor Amber Dooley, Trustees; Denise Carey, Rick Clayton, Charlene Saulsberry, Sandra Gooder, Scott Vincent. Trustee Bridget Willard was absent . Clerk Sheri Clayton and Treasurer Gerry Mahr were also present.

Also present were: Jonathan Tarrant, Attorney Dennis Atteberry, Dixie Vincent, Stanley Ryan, Judy Buzzard, Mike Whitehead, and Rachel LeBeane

Public Speaks

Mike inquired about the ordinance violation discussion from the November board meeting. He stated that he has been on “the list” for years and had never been told what for or anything about his violation. He is concerned that others who get violations will not be told what their violation is. He is also doesn’t feel it is right having someone deliver violations who, he feels, has ordinance violations themselves. Amber explained the process of an ordinance violation issuance. The process will be as follows; a complaint form will be filled out and then given to the ordinance committee, the committee will then meet to discuss the violation and investigate the complaint, if the committee sees fit a violation will be issued at this time. Mike also expressed concern about residents not being able to afford fines, if they are issued. He suggested trying to help residents correct violations before fines are issued. The board was in agreement that this is a good idea but also expressed concern with the idea. The board also agreed and expressed that they aren’t concerned with fines and money being collected, they just want the town cleaned up and ordinances followed.

Stanley Ryan, owner of Village Fast Stop, handed out a letter to residents regarding the closer of the gas station. He is hopeful that someone will buy the station and expressed thanks to those who have patronized VFS.

Committee Reports

Finance - A year to date revenue comparison was handed out. Copy on file.

Health - Sandy read report. On file.

Insurance - Need to remove the police car from insurance policy.

Liquor - Nothing to report.

Ordinances - Denise contacted the county regarding underage drivers on atv's. They advised that residents are welcome to call the county sheriff's department if there is an issue but they may not have the ability to send someone over right away. Taking pictures of those drives was questioned. Attorney Atteberry stated that photos and verbal concerns are hearsay and it is more difficult to enforce without law enforcement enforcing. He also stated that some ordinances in general will be harder to enforce than others.

Amber stated that Tony Tyler approached her about running an electric fence around his garden.

Atteberry stated he would need a 'No Trespassing' sign and a sign warning of the electric fence.

Gerry asked if Waste Management has reached out to the Village, as they recently bought Advanced Disposal, about being the waste hauler. Amber has not heard from them. Since a new contract should be done with Waste Management, the board would like to see what they can do for the Village.

Parks - Charlene asked when the wood chips would be spread at the park. Scott is going to find out.

Amber also mentioned there would be no Christmas in the park this year.

Police - Charlene informed all that the police car had been purchased by Morrisonville. She would still like to get into the Police Dept office to inventory items and see what else needs organized or sold.

Sidewalks - Nothing to report.

Streets & Alleys - Nothing to report.

Water - Rick stated there had been a break a couple of weeks ago, it has since been fixed. Denise mentioned her water bill was high but can not locate a leak. Sky will re-read meter.

A motion was made by Trustee Scott Vincent and seconded by Sandra Gooder to accept Tax Levy
Trustee Vote: Denise Carey - Yes. Rick Clayton - Yes. Sandra Gooder - Yes. Charlene Saulsberry - Yes.
Scott Vincent - Yes. Bridget Willard - Absent.

A motion was made by Trustee Charlene Saulsberry and seconded by Trustee Scott Vincent to table
Chapter 10 Ordinance.

Trustee Vote: Denise Carey - Yes. Rick Clayton - Yes. Sandra Gooder - Yes. Charlene Saulsberry - Yes.
Scott Vincent - Yes. Bridget Willard - Absent.

A motion was made by Trustee Charlene Saulsberry and seconded by Trustee Denise Carey to Approve
Treasurer Report.

Trustee Vote: Denise Carey - Yes. Rick Clayton - Yes. Sandra Gooder - Yes. Charlene Saulsberry - Yes.
Scott Vincent - Yes. Bridget Willard - Absent.

A motion was made by Trustee Sandra Gooder and seconded by Trustee Charlene Saulsberry to approve
paying November 2020 Bills

Trustee Vote: Denise Carey - Yes. Rick Clayton - Yes. Sandra Gooder - Yes. Charlene Saulsberry - Yes.
Scott Vincent - Yes. Bridget Willard - Absent.

A motion was made by Trustee Sandra Gooder and seconded by Trustee Rick Clayton to accept
November 3, 2020 Regular Meeting Minutes.

Trustee Vote: Denise Carey - Yes. Rick Clayton - Yes. Sandra Gooder - Yes. Charlene Saulsberry - Yes.
Scott Vincent - Yes. Bridget Willard - Absent.

A motion was made by Trustee Charlene Saulsberry and seconded by Trustee Scott Vincent to accept November 23, 2020 Special Meeting Minutes.

Trustee Vote: Denise Carey - Yes. Rick Clayton - Yes. Sandra Gooder - Yes. Charlene Saulsberry - Yes. Scott Vincent - Yes. Bridget Willard - Absent.

Trustee Rick Clayton made a motion to adjourn. All board members were in agreement.

Sheri Clayton, Village Clerk