

Village of Annawan

Board Meeting Minutes – January 10, 2017

The Annawan Village Board met at 6:30 pm on Tuesday, January 10, 2017 at the Village Hall.

Present:

Mayor Tim Wise

Trustees: Audie Sturtewagen John Rico, Kim Goodley, Kelly Ashley, Doreen Miller and Brent Heitzler

Village Clerk: Julie DeSplinter

Events Coordinator: Lauren Dynes

Also present: Carolyn Miller, Chris Fronk, and Nick Wager (for presentation only)

Previous Month's Minutes

Heitzler, seconded by Goodley, made a motion to approve the minutes of the previous meeting. Motion passed.

Monthly Bills

Heitzler, seconded by Rico, made a motion to pay the monthly bills. Motion passed. The balance in the General Fund on December 31, 2016, was \$195,730.53.

Police Report

Chief Elliott gave the police report showing 7 citations and 9 warnings for the reporting period. They assisted the Atkinson Police Dept (4), the Henry Co Sheriff (1) and the IL State Police (1). The report is filed at the village office and anyone is welcome to view it to see other activity by the police Dept.

Recreation Report

Lauren Dynes gave the report showing 1 paid and 6 free rentals of the CC for the reporting period. Over 100 people have signed up for the fitness center so far and things seem to be working well. More equipment was added: stability balls, medicine balls, yoga mats, and jump ropes. Upcoming events are; Body Resistance Class, January 14th; BoardedUp Paint Night , February 10th; Prep, Cook and Freeze, February 12th; Yoga classes have also begun. Lauren had two quotes for the fireworks display at Fun Days (J & M Displays and Jon Blackert). Board members felt that more information was needed before a decision could be made. The matter was tabled to the February meeting after Lauren reports her findings.

MSA Professionals

Nick Wagner, of MSA Professional Services, spoke to board members about the work that has been done toward completing the Downtown Design Guidelines. A public meeting will be held at 6:00 on February 1, 2017. The Village and property owners participated in a "walkabout" of the downtown on August 9, 2016. MSA has prepared a draft Design Guideline and the village would like public input at that meeting. The next step would be to use the guidelines as accepted or amended in order to move forward toward implementation of the plan. Wager also talked about MFT work to be done in the spring and advised that waiting for a bigger project would be wise since all of the village streets seem to be okay at this point. Wager and village employee Mark Crosby will tour the roads again. Mayor Wise asked that something be done to Second Street, near the Corner Coop. No decisions were made.

Village-wide Policy for Non-Sufficient Checks Received by the Village

Some discussion was held but the matter was tabled to the February meeting.

Sewer Bond Payment

Miller, seconded by Sturtewagen, made a motion to transfer \$29,515.00 from the General Fund to the Sewer Fund in order that payment to the bond be made. The Sewer Fund doesn't have ample funding at this time. Motion passed.

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Other Discussion:

Kewanee coaches have asked to use our baseball diamonds for games. Tentative plans would be to charge \$25 per game, with \$15 going to Terry Rosebeck for preparing the diamonds.

A scoreboard for the fourth baseball diamond is needed.

New lights are needed to replace the existing ones-recommended by our engineers. Lights for the fourth diamond would help with softball games and lessen the number of away games that have to be played due to no lights. It was suggested that Annawan and Wethersfield schools be contacted to donate towards the project. No action was taken. It will be discussed at the February meeting.

A resident request for taking down village trees by her property was tabled until spring.

Adjourn to Executive Session

Heitzler, seconded by Rico, made a motion to adjourn the regular meeting for an executive session. Motion passed.

After Executive Session

Board committees will design new guidelines for an annual review of employees in hopes of making the salary negotiations for the coming year go more smoothly.

Mayor Wise will talk to Dr. Ford to say that the village is not interested in buying property at this time.

Adjournment

There being no further business, Goodley, seconded by Rico, made a motion to adjourn. Motion passed.

Julie DeSplinter
Village Clerk