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VLR Board 08-August-2023 Minutes

1) Roll Call

The village board was called to order and a roll call was conducted. All the members were present.

Also in attendance: Esther Marshall, Haydn Walsh, Chris Conner, Christa Quinn, Pat Christianson, Sandra Creasey, Mary Money Penny, Troy Rinehart, Brad Seymour, David & Jill Coleman.

Join ZOOM Meeting: Linda Schwanke.

2) Approve Agenda

A motion was made by Adam Reno to approve the agenda and it was seconded by Harry Pulvermacher. Motion carried.

3) Approve Minutes

A motion was made by Adam Reno, seconded by Steve Morgenson, and unanimously approved the minutes from the meeting dated 7-11-2023.

4) Trustee for vacant position through April 2024?

The board discussed filling a vacant trustee position through April 2024. However, they decided against filling the position, preferring interested individuals get on the next ballot and let the village decide.

A motion was made by Steve Morgenson and seconded by Adam Reno not to fill the position, in favor – 4, opposed – 1, carried.

5) Community Center basement: Cooling station when extreme heat advisory is in effect.

The board discussed the possibility of using the community center basement as a cooling station during times of extreme heat advisories. They decided to use the community center, not the library, as the area's extreme heat emergency refuge. Decisions about opening will be made with public works on a case-by-case basis.

6) Water Tower.

We had our water tower washed and it says right on our resolution that they're supposed to have 150-foot lift so they can do the whole water tower topping. All they showed up with 130-foot lift so they could not do the top portion of the water tower. So, we are not paying the full price or paying any of it right now until we get it. Either they finish washing it or come with a resolution of how much we're going to pay them for not washing our complete tower.

The board requested all information be sent to the Village Attorney for review.

7) Lorraine Coleman's family requesting the use of the pump house property and blocking off E. Commercial.

The board discussed a request by Lorraine Coleman's family to use the pump house property and block off East Commercial Street for a series of auctions. After some discussion, a motion was made and seconded to grant the request for use of the pump house property and to block off a small portion of East Commercial Street across from Lorraine's on three specified dates: August 26th, September 23rd, and October 14th.

Motion: Adam Reno; Seconded: Harry Pulvermacher, carried.

8) New Liquor & Tobacco Licenses.

The board unanimously approved the transfer of liquor and tobacco licenses from D&Z's One Stop to Lone Rock Mart, represented by agents Barinder and Daljeet Sandhu.

Motion: Adam Reno; Seconded: Steve Morgenson, carried.

9) Final 4th of July Committee Report:

Mary Litviak presented the final 4th of July Committee Report. The committee reportedly made a profit of \$6,255. The committee plans several investments based on this profit, including potentially installing a sign outside the community center.

10) Recommendations from the Finance Committee:

- **To proceed with the TIF/TID Plan for 2025.**

The board discussed the recommendations from the Finance Committee regarding the TIF/TID Plan for 2025. They addressed the need for a zoning ordinance that would recognize a mixed-use zoning for the ongoing school forest land development.

- **Order new computers for Clerk and Public Works using ARPA funds.**

The board also discussed a recommendation from the Finance Committee to order new computers for the Clerk and Public Works using ARPA funds. The motion was not made during this meeting, but the board confirmed that they will proceed with ordering the computers.

- **Sick Pay (beginning 1/1/2024) - 4 hours per month, 6 days per year with a cap of 80 hours. Use it or lose it benefit.**

The Finance Committee presented details on sick pay parameters to begin from January 1, 2024. Employees will be able to earn 4 hours per month, capping off at 6 days (80 hours) per year. The policy will be to use it or lose it benefit, with unused sick pay time not being paid out. A request was made to include these details in the personnel policy and the budget proposal.

11) Fire District

Harry Pulvermacher confirmed that there were no significant updates from the Fire District.

12) Police

The police report noted 15 calls for service in the village, with three citations issued. The report also mentioned the issue of enforcing village ordinances. Current circumstances have made it difficult for law enforcement to enforce any ordinances, but the police are awaiting an updated ordinance manual.

13) Library

The library reported 310 visitors in July. Summer programs were successful, especially the reptiles' event, which hosted 70 people. The library plans to add programs and upgrades, such as running water and online platforms for crafters.

14) Public Works Department - Chris Conner & Haydn Walsh

The Public Works Department has been collecting bids for electrical parts and concrete repairs. The department also reported that 42 loads were taken to the dump after a storm. Harry Pulvermacher commended the department for their swift work.

15) Public Input

No public input was noted.

16) Upcoming Village or Community Meetings:

The next economic development meeting is scheduled for Monday, August 21st at 6 PM.

17) Next Board Meeting:

The next board meeting was announced to occur on September 12, 2023, at 7:00 PM at the Village Office.

18) Review Check Register/Bills

A review of the check register and bills was conducted.

19) Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 7:36 PM.

Respectfully submitted by: Tammy Christianson, Clerk.