

## **VILLAGE OF MCLEAN**

### **REGULAR BOARD MEETING**

**DECEMBER 4, 2023**

President Hammel called the regular meeting of the board to order at 7:00PM. ROLL CALL-Page, Loercher, VanDyke, Wille, Kirby, Gordon-all present. Also present: Jennifer Denham, Sgt. Dylan Miller, Chief Belvry. Numerous members of Village residents present. Via Zoom-Mark McGrath, Ryan Billington, WMBD News.

VanDyke-motion to approve Oct 25<sup>th</sup> HR Committee Meeting Minutes, November 6<sup>th</sup> Regular Board Meeting Minutes, and November 15<sup>th</sup> Special Board Meeting Minutes. Kirby-2<sup>nd</sup>. All ayes, motion carried.

MONTHLY BILLS: VanDyke-motion to approve bills as presented. Gordon-2<sup>nd</sup>. All ayes, motion carried.

Robert McGlade, auditor with SKCO Certified public accountant regarding audit for fiscal year ending April 30<sup>th</sup>, 2023. Unmodified opinion that the numbers provided by the Village were correct. Audit did take longer due to no treasurer at the time and had to make more corrections than past years. Village also had switched from SAGE to QuickBooks. No questions regarding the audit from the board. Wille-motion to accept the year end audit. Gordon-2<sup>nd</sup>. All ayes, motion carried.

PUBLIC IMPUT: Michael Bird, Helen Doty, Sherri Hester, Lauri Ludy, Katie Funk, Jeff Hake, Norman King, Grant Breakville, Quinn Edomowski, Tom Ludlam, Penny Small, Dwight Cannon, Brooke Davis, David Wulf, Diane Ludy, Chip Denham, and Cheryl Wendland all addressed the board members.

POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT: Have been targeting speeding on Route 136. Monthly activity report provided. Unit 16 is back in service. Unit 14 (Tahoe) has been used for several weeks. Chief will be on vacation December 22-27<sup>th</sup>. Issue developing with camera.

IN-CAR SQUAD CAMERAS: Axon brand. Do coincide with current body cams. They are equipped with license plate readers. Price does include storage and installation. 2 cameras received at beginning, and 2 cameras received at the end of 5 years. Kirby-motion to accept quote from Axon Enterprises for In-car cameras in the amount of \$36,548.80 over 5 years. VanDyke-2<sup>nd</sup>. All ayes, motion carried.

PUBLIC WORKS: 2 water service breaks. Put up Christmas decorations. Approx 50 sewer inspections remaining. No arsenic to report.

OFFICE: Will not be sending out any more alerts out for sewer inspections.

NOISE ORDINANCE: VanDyke-motion to approve Noise Ordinance 23-12-04. Gordon-2<sup>nd</sup>. All ayes, motion carried.

NUISANCE ORDINANCE: Loercher-motion to approve Nuisance Ordinance 23-12-04A. VanDyke-2<sup>nd</sup>. Loercher, Page, Gordon, VanDyke, Kirby-aye. Wille-no. Motion carried.

WATER RATE INCREASE ORDINANCE: Wille would like to reconsider the amount proposed in the ordinance, doesn't feel it will be enough to cover costs. Gordon-motion to approve Water Rate Increase Ordinance 23-12-04B. Kirby-2<sup>nd</sup>. Gordon, Page, Loercher, Kirby-aye. Wille, VanDyke-no. Motion carried.

15 MINUTE PARKING ORDINANCE: Will be a committee meeting held February 5<sup>th</sup> at 6:00PM for Safety/Police Committee held before the regular board meeting.

VanDyke-motion to approve 2024 Board Meeting Dates: January 8<sup>th</sup>, Feb 5<sup>th</sup>, March 4<sup>th</sup>, April 1<sup>st</sup>, May 6<sup>th</sup>, June 3<sup>rd</sup>, July 1<sup>st</sup>, August 5<sup>th</sup>, Sept 9<sup>th</sup>, October 7<sup>th</sup>, November 4<sup>th</sup>, and December 2<sup>nd</sup>. Loercher-2<sup>nd</sup>. All ayes, motion carried.

WATER TOWER-LITWILLER CONTRACT: McGrath suggests a written contract be drawn up between the Village and Litwiller. McGrath can prepare. There needs to be specs for taking down, and what will and not be done. Approx cost per McGrath for Engineer to draw up specs is \$1700., and 3-4 billable hours for McGrath. VanDyke requested to make a motion to rescind Litwiller contract, but per McGrath, this was not on the agenda, and you can't legally make the motion. VanDyke requested to add to next month's agenda to rescind the vote, as well as to enter negotiations with the CORE of McLean. Kirby-motion to have McGrath draw up contract for Litwiller to tear down old water tower, plus the approximate \$1700 fee for engineering specs. Gordon-2<sup>nd</sup>. Kirby, Gordon-ayes. VanDyke, Wille, Loercher, Page-no. Motion failed.

CHRISTMAS BONUS: Full/part-time Village employees. Currently have 5 full time, and 4 part time. VanDyke-motion to set bonus at \$350 (net) for full time, and \$175(net) for part time employees. Wille-2<sup>nd</sup>. Page, Loercher, Wille, VanDyke-aye. Gordon, Kirby-no. Motion carried.

ADDITIONAL PRINCIPAL PAYMENT-WATER TOWER BALANCE: Wille-motion to make an additional \$50,000 principal only payment from water fund to water tower loan. VanDyke-2<sup>nd</sup>. All ayes, motion carried.

SUMMER FAMILY KICK-OFF-MT HOPE COMMUNITY HALL GRANT: Grant requested by Jamie from the Mt Hope Community Hall, looking at June 15<sup>th</sup> as a date, but is flexible. Wille-motion to approve grant in the amount of \$3000 to the Mt Hope Community Hall to be paid out of Hotel/Motel tax. VanDyke-2<sup>nd</sup>. Page-left room at 8:00 pm, returned to meeting at 8:10 pm. absent vote since she is on the Mt Hope Community Hall Board. Kirby-abstain as he is on the Mt Hope Community Hall Board. VanDyke, Wille, Gordon, Loercher-ayes. Abstain votes with majority. 5-0. Motion carried. Incompatibility of office question was raised as Page and Kirby both sit on the board of the Mt Hope Community Hall.

TRUCK ROUTE: Hammel suggested to have a sit down with the Township as well as the county, and possible railroad to look at options. Will look at scheduling with Road Commissioner after the first of the year.

EMPLOYEE HANDBOOK: McGrath verbally explained whether a change is ok or not legally ok. Can make changes and present at next months meeting to approve.

TAX LEVY: Meeting scheduled for Monday, December 11<sup>th</sup> at 6:00PM at the Village Hall to approve tax levy.

VanDyke-motion to adjourn meeting at 10:06PM, Gordon-2<sup>nd</sup>. All ayes. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted by,

Ashley Billington

Village Clerk