

VILAGE OF MCLEAN**REGULAR MEETING****SEPTEMBER 12, 2022****APPROVED**

President Hammel called the regular meeting to order at 7:00pm. ROLL CALL-Breakville, Wille, Webster, Billington, Holloway and VanDyke. Also, present-Attorney Mark McGrath(Zoom), Chief Blair, Greg Rutherford, Karen Williams, Sherri Hester and Curtis Gordon. Visitors-Susan Cameron, Reginald Spaulding, Candie Rogers, Sandy Sheldon, Annie Myers, Megan Murray, Amy Adair, Mardell Bottles, Dylan Miller, Jeani Lane and Auditor Robert McGlade (Zoom) and Warren Ribley (Zoom).

Motion by Wille 2nd Breakville to approve the minutes of August 1, 2022 as presented. All ayes, motion carried.

Auditor McGlade gave a report of the Financial Audit. Breakville asked if the village was in good shape compared to other villages and Mr. McGlade stated there are no accounting issues. He will send the final report by this Friday. Motion by Billington 2nd VanDyke to accept the Annual Financial Report. ROLL CALL-Wille, Webster, Billington, Holloway, VanDyke and Breakville. All ayes, motion carried.

Dylan Miller was sworn in as the new part time patrolman by the Village Clerk. He has done multiple ride arounds with the other officers.

There were two bids for the Crown Vic. 1st bid-\$800 by Curtis Gordon, 2nd bid \$1200 by Mason Hammel. Gordon bid \$1201. Motion by VanDyke 2nd Holloway to accept the bid of \$1201 from Curtis Gordon. ROLL CALL-Webster, Billington, Holloway, VanDyke, Breakville and Wille. All ayes, motion carried.

PUBLIC INPUT-

Amy Adair asked what other villages said about the water bills being outsourced. Hammel stated he could not remember which ones were asked. She stated she is the Postmaster and she has to have an approval for the post office to pay. She also asked if the Bank has been asked if they would accept water bill payments. It was stated that the bank has not been asked. Hammel stated that the village could provide self-stamped envelope to the residents to send the water payments for the first few months.

Mardell Bottles asked how many chickens are allowed, who picks up the waste and how often, does the person have to have a permit, will the eggs be sold, would there be a penalty if there is an ordinance. It was stated these would all be discussed at next months board meeting.

Jeani Lane asked about the street in front of her house and also the alley. She stated that when it rains the water goes into their garage and now there is mold. Is the alley vacated?

Rutherford stated no. Rutherford stated that the alley could be scraped down but the water would sit. Will look into having an engineer look into this.

Susan Cameron stated there was some damage to the playground at the Park District and was told the Park District should be notified. She also wondered if the ball diamond is used. She stated that maybe public input should be limited to 5 minutes.

Reginald Spaulding asked why the village is outsourcing the water bills. It was stated that new water meters were needed and the outsourcing was a good idea. He also asked if the bills would go up. No. The Board determines the rates. Sandy Sheldon asked how long they have been discussing this and Breakville stated around 6 months. She feels there was only 1 committee meeting on this. Sherri Hester stated she was disappointed that there was no information given to the residents about this until they received the information from EJ Water.

Hammel stated that the Chairman of the Zoning Board of Appeals is resigning.

Motion by VanDyke 2nd Wille to deny the water adjustment for #0605 because they did not show up to the meeting for 2 consecutive meetings . ROLL CALL-Billington, Holloway, VanDyke, Breakville, Wille and Webster. All ayes, motion carried.

Motion by Breakville 2nd VanDyke to approve the water adjustment for #1076 for \$123.78. ROLL CALL-Holloway, VanDyke, Breakville, Wille, Webster and Billington. All ayes, motion carried.

POLICE REPORT-A second candidate for a part time officer will start training in October. The officers spent multiple hours at the shooting range this past week. He thanked Ken Benoit for his work on this as well as the trustees to allow this opportunity. The 6.6 Route 66 run went well. Thanks to the Public Works Employees, Mt Hope/Funks Grove Fire, Stanford Fire, Funks Grove Township, Ruby's Rescue, Cubby's from Atlanta and the citizens of McLean. There were 186 preregistered. McLean PD is looking at all options with the new training requirements. Looking into the requirements for "No Bail" and are working with the States Attorney's office.

PUBLIC WORKS-Rutherford stated that the Spray Patch and chip and seal is done. Also, 200 hundred water meters have been put in and the lift station motor and radios are put in. Curtis Gordon was in an accident with the dump truck (not his fault) and also was bitten by a dog.

NO REPORT FOR OFFICE

No arsenic report

The Business Development District Ordinance is not ready. Should be ready for the October meeting.

ELECTRIC ENERGY UPDATE- trying to get the best deal. Motion by Billington 2nd VanDyke to accept amendments to fee tp Good Energy. ROLL CALL-VanDyke, Breakville, Wille, Webster and Bvillington aye, Holloway nay. With 5 ayes, motion carried.

ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGING STATIONS-Warren Ribley stated a good place for these are at the gas stations. Not a good idea for the Village to have one. Road Ranger is interested in having one. The Federal Government has not released any funds. The Village could authorize Ribley to draft an application for a grant. Breakville asked if the grant money of \$50,000 for meters is in the States hands. Ribley will get with Hammel tomorrow.

There will be curbside pickup on Sat. Oct. 22, 2022.

FEASIBILITY STUDY-It was stated that it is hard to keep police officers. There are 80 hours of training required annually. Could have Stanford, Danvers and Mclean have conference with Attorney Pat McGrath. Motion by Holloway 2nd Webster to pay a \$700.00 fee for Attorney Pat McGrath to work on this. ROLL CALL-Breakville, Wille, Webster, Billington, Holloway and VanDyke. All ayes, motion carried.

ENVIRONMENTAL II FULL PHASE STUDY-Will approve at October meeting.

PURCHASE OF PROPERTY-Block 12, Parcel #2636-353001-Motion by Wille 2nd Breakville to accept assignment for the purchase of this property and pay William J. Embry LLC \$10,000. ROLL CALL-Wille, Webster, Billington, Holloway, VanDyke and Breakville. All ayes, motion carried. Motion by Wille 2nd VanDyke to Hire Midwest Environmental Study and not to exceed \$3000.00. ROLL CALL-Webster, Billington, Holloway, VanDyke, Breakville and Wille. All ayes, motion.

LIVESTOCK ORDINANCE-Webster liked the one from Mackinaw and having only 6 chickens. After much discussion it was decided to have McGrath draw up the ordinance with a few minor changes and then have it posted for the public to view it. Motion by Wille 2nd Holloway to have McGrath update our Livestock Ordinance with a permit costing \$30.00. ROLL CALL-Holloway, VanDyke, Breakville, Wille, Webster and Billington. All ayes, motion carried.

UPGRADE CITY RIGHT OF WAY ACROSS FROM FIRE STATION-It would be around \$50,000-\$70,000 per Chief Fulk. This will be put on next month's agenda.

Motion by Webster 2nd Billington to adjourn the meeting. All ayes, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:40pm.

Respectfully submitted by,

Sharon C. Leipold

Village Clerk