

## **VILLAGE OF MCLEAN**

### **REGULAR BOARD MEETING**

**MARCH 4<sup>TH</sup>, 2024**

President Hammel called the Regular Meeting of the Board to order at 7:00PM. Wille, Kirby, Gordon, VanDyke, Loercher and Page all present. Mark McGrath and Erik Fulk present via zoom. List of attendees attached.

MONTHLY MINUTES-VanDyke-Motion to accept HR/Police Committee Meeting minutes, as well as February 5<sup>th</sup>, Regular Board Meeting minutes as presented. Gordon-2<sup>nd</sup>. All ayes, motion carried.

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

PUBLIC INPUT: Susan Cameron-Status of the car on NW side of square? Per John Yates, who was present, car is licensed, insured, currently has a water pump issue. Cameron also questioned streetlights, and how some areas are still very dark. Possible LED's or incentives to residents to put out lights? Research book has been taken from library. Scott Sheldon-library board voted to install a locking cabinet that these kinds of books will now be kept in.

COMMITTEE REPORTS: None

POLICE: Still waiting on equipment from Axon Cameras. 201 E Carlisle was sent a certified letter as a listed dangerous/unsafe building. Resident claimed it would have been fixed that weekend, but it wasn't. Will reach back out. Have been a slew of burglaries locally. Police do have a person of interest.

PUBLIC WORKS: Valve replaced at lagoon. All water samples have been taken-no results yet. Signs were placed up at the Post Office as requested by the board.

OFFICE: Letters were sent out to residents who hadn't corrected sewer issues in the form of a \$500.00 bill. 2 are still yet to comply. Total of 12 resident's sump pumps were hooked up illegally.

UNSAFE BUILDINGS: Trailer behind Village Hall has been taken care of. Keeping an eye on address on Carlisle Street. Hardware Store was given until the end of July.

WATER TOWER: McGrath waiting on Chicago Title Company search to come back. Possible cost of survey to be incurred.

EMPLOYEE HANDBOOK: McGrath confirmed all changes suggested except for removing "at-will employee". Gordon-motion to accept McGrath's recommended changes. 2<sup>nd</sup>-VanDyke. All ayes, motion carried.

PAYCOURT AGREEMENT: Gordon-motion to approve and sign the revised PayCourt Agreement. 2<sup>nd</sup>-Kirby. All ayes, motion carried.

VELVET CUP STATUS-Shooting for an opening day of March 15, currently waiting on inspection.

BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT GRANTS: Hammel suggests a Finance Committee Meeting to figure out details. Loercher is head of the Committee, will set a date.

BBD GRANT: John Yates-Arcadia Unlimited Project would be in 4 Phases from 7/2024 to 1/2026 at 104 E Morgan Street, McLean. There are several avenues for help: BDD, TIF, and Hotel/Motel Tax. Will wait for Committee Meeting before approving any grant requests.

BBD GRANT: Lauri Ludy- Rt 66 Beans-406 S East Street McLean. \$10,000 grant requested for new siding. Est opening in June 2024. Wille-Motion to grand Ludy \$10,000 from BBD with check made directly to siding distributor. VanDyke-2<sup>nd</sup>. Wille, VanDyke-yes. Page, Kirby, Loercher, Gordon-no. Motion failed.

OUTDOOR LED LIGHTS: Lighting on 136-Per Eric Fulk, you will need to contact IDOT & Engineer for the project. Kirby will contact IDOT.

CORE COMMUNITY GARDEN LEASE: Eric Fulk will work with 911 Services to create an address for the property. Wille-Motion to approve Community Garden Lease with CORE, to be signed by Hammel; 911 location will be added as soon as possible. Gordon-2<sup>nd</sup>. All ayes, motion carried.

POSSIBLE HIRING OF P/T EMPLOYEE TO HELP MOW: Will post the position for P/T Mowing at \$15.00/hour, approx. 20 hours per week.

EMPLOYEE TIME CLOCK/DIRECT DEPOSIT: No interest by the board in changing what employees have now.

EJ WATER-Submitted a letter to the Village that they will be opting out of the contract, giving a 60 day notice. Contract expires April 19, 2024. Guaranteed cost of \$8,800 to Utility Pipe Sales to purchase software to get all meters over to the Village. VanDyke-motion to pay Utility Pipe Sales up to \$8,800 for billing interface, project management training, and data hosting. Kirby-2<sup>nd</sup> All ayes, motion carried.

Hammel did find one company, Cambridge Tech Software Solutions who would do the billing as an outsource for \$2.70/account a month, or \$3.50/account a month and they would also receive payments. Wille and Hammel will continue to explore other outsourced options-will set meeting date to discuss.

Page-motion to adjourn meeting at 9:02PM. Wille, 2<sup>nd</sup>. All ayes, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted by,

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