

VILLAGE OF MCLEAN

REGULAR BOARD MEETING

MARCH 3, 2025

President Hammel called the Regular Meeting of the Board to order at 6:59PM. Wille, Kirby, Gordon, Mattson, and Page all present. VanDyke-absent. In attendance via zoom: Robert McGlade and Mark McGrath.

Curtis Gordon will be retiring after 19 years of service to the Village and Public Works. His last day officially is March 4th.

MONTHLY MINUTES- Page questioned the second generator estimate listed this month when one was approved last month. This is for the second generator, so a separate estimate. Need to change the date of the minutes to reflect February 3, 2024-currently listed as June 3, 2024. Gordon-motion to approve the February 3rd minutes as amended. Page-2nd. All ayes, motion carried.

MONTHLY BILLS-Gordon-motion to approve the monthly bills as presented, Kirby-2nd. All ayes, motion carried.

OLYMPIA-SALES TAX INFORMATION ON APRIL 1ST BALLOT- Laura O'Donnell on behalf of Olympia presented information on the one-cent tax referendum. Unit 5 voted to place on the ballot, therefore effects all schools in the county. Tax would only apply to those things currently being taxed, and money received must be spent in the same year. Funds to be used for school safety and support as well as facility improvements.

SOLAR PANEL PROJECT-Paul Bottum with Cultivative Power, LLC regarding 112-acre parcel outside of town. Project would be approximately 12400 panels. Currently going through McLean Co Zoning. No approval needed from the Village, only presenting as a courtesy.

ANNUAL ADUIT-Robert McGlade with SKCO Accounts in regard to the 2023-2024 audit. All information was supplied to the auditors by the Village. Opinions of auditors that audit standards are generally accepted. Weaknesses are financial reporting, segregation of duties, and suggest looking for someone with accounting expertise. Had to do a lot of moving information around through journal entries. Once voted on, SCKO will release the final draft. Willie-motion to accept audit as presented by SKCO. Kirby-2nd. All ayes, motion carried.

PUBLIC INPUT-None

POLICE-Still hadn't gotten tasers, currently on Back Order. Sgt Miller finished Phase 2 of Leadership Development Courses. Small technical issues on patrol cars. One unit is working-working-another unit the tablet aps are being reinstalled. Should fix the issue.

PUBLIC WORKS-Repaired a couple of water lines. Had a few frozen meters. Well started is rattling and will need to look at installing a soft start. Next board will need to look at possibly replacing Curtis Gordon. Rutledge said he can help for now if need be.

OFFICE/TREASURER-No Issues

DANGEROUS/UNSAFE-300 S Elm Street- Was able to contact CORE3 who will be tearing down the garage when weather permits.

TREE PLANTING-Ameren takes requests for grants for “Right tree, Right Place Grand Program” starting in April. Courtney will be taking care of this.

CUMMINS GENERATOR-Gordon-motion to accept Estimate Q1-240788 for generator repairs in the amount of \$1,106.48. Wille-2nd. All ayes, motion carried.

ACCOUNTANT AGREEMENT-Village contacted Sikich LLC, who works with municipalities. Auditors pointed out that it was a weakness for Village. Sikich can login remotely if needed. Time may vary each month. Seeman has used them in the past with other projects. Gordon-motion to enter into agreement with Sikich for accounting services and assistance. Kirby-2nd. All ayes, motion carried.

BUDGET MEETINGS-First meeting will be March 13th at Village Hall at 6:00PM.

Gordon-motion to adjourn meeting at 7:44PM. Kirby-2nd. All ayes, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted by,

Ashley Billington

Village Clerk