

December 08, 2021
Regular Board Meeting

VILLAGE of SOMONAUK
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
Wednesday, December 08, 2021 at 6:30 pm
The meeting was a zoom meeting

Village President Grandgeorge called the meeting to order at 6:33 p.m. Roll call was taken. Attending: Trustees: Eade, Diebold, Whiteaker. Nemcek-Button, McMillen, Conley-absent. The meeting was a zoom meeting.

Minutes:

Eade moved to approve the minutes from November 10, 2021 meeting. Trustee Deibold seconded the motion and the following voted: Whiteaker -yes, Diebold-yes, and Eade yes, Grandgeorge-yes. McMillen, Conley, Nemcek-Button - Absent.

Motion Passed

The bill list to December 08, 2021 was presented in the amount of \$34,409.44.

Morphey reported extra bills were: RB & Associate- \$2245.78 (help with annexation), BC/BS extra \$4924.07, FFA \$500.00 donation if not approved it will be removed. Eade asked if that would be the only bill from RB Associates. Morphey said at this point yes.

Motion:

Trustee Eade moved to approve the bills to December 08, 2021 in the amount of \$34,409.44. Whiteaker seconded the motion and the following voted: Trustee Diebold-yes, Eade-yes, Whiteaker and Grandgeorge-yes. Nemcek-Button, McMillen, Conley- absent.

Motion Passed

Nemcek-Button entered the meeting 6:43

Communications:

No communications

Reports of Officers:

Police:

King reported he had nothing to report and wanted to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. Grandgeorge asked how the part-timer officer search was going? King replied that is was going slow but everything was covered.

Water & Sewer:

Eipers reported there was a water leak on LaSalle St. Leak Detection had come out and a water main break was found.

Streets & Alleys:

Wasson reported beside the attached sheet he had been contacted by DeKalb County to see if the Village is interested in working with the county in a seal coat program. The Village is still committed to the intersection on County line and Sheridan Blacktop but we are looking at Magnuson Ln, Cook Ct. and Terrace Ct.

Reports of Committees:

Water & Sewer:

Eade had nothing to report.

Finance:

December 08, 2021
Regular Board Meeting

Morphey presented a quote for a new phone system from COMDATA at the Village hall. This will be covered by the ARPA grant. The total was approved and this is part of it. Morphey stated she had everything approved from NUE at this point even a digital sign. But she will continue to have everything approved by the board also.

Motion:

Whiteaker moved to accept the quote from COMDATA for \$3,764.00 to replace the phone system at the Village Hall and the Sewer Plant. Diebold seconded the motion and the following voted: Trustees: Diebold-yes, Eade-yes, Whiteaker-yes and Nemcek-Button-yes. McMillen and Conley- absent.

Motion Passed

FFA Donation:

Morphey explained that the Somonauk Leland Sandwich FFA has picked up leaves for the Village for many years. The last 3 years they have not charged the Village. They have considered it a community project. Morphey would like to send them a donation this year. They do have a foundation they could use it for or anything they want. They are a very good organization and help the Village whenever asked.

Motion:

Nemcek-Button moved to give a donation of \$500.00 to Somonauk Leland Sandwich FFA. Whiteaker seconded the motion and the following voted: Trustees: Diebold-yes, Eade-yes, Whiteaker-yes and Nemcek-Button-yes. Conley- absent, McMillen absent.

Motion Passed

Law & Ordinance:

Morphey introduced 2 ordinances that need to be passed. They are annexation on 2 properties on LaSalle St. Several months ago it was discovered there were approximately 6-8 properties that according to LaSalle County were not annexed. Many hours were spent going through files to prove that we were annexed. There were 3 parcels discovered that were only partly annexed. The 2 ordinances are 305 LaSalle, 305 1/2 LaSalle. The property owners agreed to annex. The other parcel is in the middle of Imperial Marble property. This property should be annexed next month. We are also looking at annexing 415 E. LaSalle as they are hooked up to Village Water & Sewer and need to be in village limits to receive this.

Properties:

- 205 E. LaSalle St- residence
 - 325 E. LaSalle St –residence
 - 327 E. LaSalle St- business and 39 acres
 - 305 E, LaSalle St – residence
 - 305 1/2 E. LaSalle St – residence
- This goes back as far a 1966 for some of the parcels

Motion:

Eade moved to adopt ordinance 21-11 Annexing certain territory to the Village of Somonauk Corporate limits IE: 305 E. LaSalle, Meisner #05-04-120-000. Nemcek-Button seconded the motion and the following Trustees voted: Diebold-yes, Eade-yes, Whiteaker – yes and Nemcek-Button- yes. Conley- absent, McMillen absent.

Motion Passed

Motion:

Eade moved to adopt ordinance 21-12 Annexing certain territory to the Village of Somonauk Corporate limits IE: 305 1/2 E. LaSalle, Kabzina #05-04-126-000. Whiteaker seconded the motion and the following Trustees voted: Diebold-yes, Eade-yes, Whiteaker – yes and Nemcek-Button- yes. Conley, McMillen absent.

Motion Passed

Employee Relations:

Christmas Bonus for Employees:

December 08, 2021
Regular Board Meeting

Morphey explained that the list of employees was presented last month at the board meeting. After discussion Nemcek-Button expressed the wish to increase the amount we give the staff.

Morphey suggested this year there was the ability to award staff an addition bonus from the ARPA grant.

Motion:

Nemcek- Button moved to award the staff this year only double the amount they received last year. This would be for this year only. Whiteaker seconded the motion and the following Trustees voted: Diebold-yes, Whiteaker – yes, Nemcek-Button- yes, Grandgeorge- yes, Eade- abstain. Conley and McMillen absent.

Motion Passed

Building and Grounds:

Nothing to report

Other Business:

Morphey reported that she had heard from DeKalb County and they were giving every municipality in DeKalb County \$100,000.00 from the ARPA grant. It will have to be applied for and stay within the parameters of the grant.

Nemcek-Button asked Grandgeorge knowing he was against speed bumps how about the rumble strips. He stated they are to alert a driver a stop sign is coming. Grandgeorge asked Diebold how the traffic had been. He stated that there had been a presence of police, which has helped a little. Morphey stated she had talked to one of the home owners and told him the decision of the board to at this point. He suggested maybe a 3-way stop sign at the corner Dewey St. and Washington St. Grandgeorge stated we should get a report from Chief King.

Adjournment:

Grandgeorge then asked for a motion to adjourn. Whiteaker moved to adjourn Eade seconded the motion and everyone was in favor.

Meeting adjourned at 7:05 pm.

Respectfully,

Rebecca Morphey
Village Clerk