

June 10, 2020  
Regular Board Meeting

**VILLAGE of SOMONAUK  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING  
Wednesday, June 10, 2020 at 6:30 pm**

Village President Grandgeorge called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. Roll call was taken. Attending: Trustees: Conley, McMillen, Severson, Whiteaker, Nemcek-Button and Eade.

***Minutes:***

May 13, 2020- Conley moved to approve the minutes from May 13, 2020. Trustee Severson seconded the motion and the following voted: Conley-yes, McMillen –yes, Severson-yes and Whiteaker – yes, Nemcek-Button –yes and Eade –Yes.

***Motion Passed***

Bills were presented \$62,495.15.

Morphey listed the extra bill list: John Deer- new mower \$13,075.49, Fleet- equipment for new squad- \$6,715.87.

***Motion:***

Trustee Conley moved to approve the bills to June 10, 2020 in the amount of \$62,495.15. Trustee Eade seconded the motion and the following voted: Conley-yes, McMillen –yes, Severson-yes and Whiteaker – yes, Nemcek-Button –yes and Eade –yes.

***Motion Passed***

***Communications:***

Arnie Schramel was in attendance on ZOOM and explained it was time once again to sign up for aggregated electricity. He stated the last year it had been running 6.397 and this year it is just a little up between 6.4-6.5. This will be for another year. They will be locking everything in the middle of July. Nemcek- Button asked since it was not going to be locked in should the Village wait until the July meeting? Schramel stated he did not see anything changing but if you wanted to wait that would be fine. Morphey asked if Progressive had been working with Nexamp. He replied yes, but it is proving to be cheaper to go with them.

After all discussion Grandgeorge asked what the board would like to do. Nemcek-Button stated that she would like to wait until July to pass the ordinance. It will be on the ordinance next month.

***Reports of Officers***

Police: King reported he and several officers had gone to Sandwich to assist with the protest. There had been no issues. The outside dining for Phase 3 was going well. Rambo's, County Kitchen and Somonauk Pancake House are all practicing outside serving. They are all in compliance at this point. There have been no issues. He stated that it looks like we are on track for Phase 4. King also mention he had call on the arrival of the new squad. With the COVID it looks like we will not be getting it until at least August. The impala had been in the shop but had only required a few fuses for air conditioning.

***Water & Sewer:***

Eipers was not at meeting. Grandgeorge asked if Wasson had anything to report for Eipers. Wasson stated the new aerator fan motor was installed at the water plant. A sink hole in the field behind Marshall Field was repaired with the cost being split between the land owner and the Village.

***Street& Alleys:***

He had set up the pump at Sycamore St. and replaced the battery. Wasson reported he had been in contact with Clark and they would be spraying for mosquitoes in mid-June. Grandgeorge asked about the trees he had called<sup>1</sup>

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Wasson about the other night after the storm Wasson stated he had called Steven's and received a bid, but had to wait for Com Ed to trim around some of the tree.

**Water & Sewer:** Nothing to report in Water & Sewer.

**Finance:** Morphey reported that the Audit would start next week. After it is completed the appropriation would be presented.

***Laws & Ordinance:***

Ordinance 20-11 Prevailing Wage for Public Works. Morphey explained the Village is mandated to every year. This set the wages for the union scale the Village must pay.

***Motion:***

Numcek-Button moved to adopt Ordinance 20-11 Adopting Prevailing Wages for Public Works. Trustee Eade seconded the motion and the following voted: Conley-yes, McMillen –yes, Severson-yes and Whiteaker – yes, Nemcek-Button –yes and Eade –yes.

***Motion Passed***

***Employee Relations:***

Conley reminded the board that at the last meeting they had agreed by consensus to move forward with the 20-21 wage increase.

***Motion:***

Conley moved at approve the 2.5% wage increase for all employees for the 2020-2021 fiscal year. (copy for the wage increase attached). Trustee Nemcek-Button seconded the motion and the following voted: Conley-yes, McMillen –yes, Severson-yes and Whiteaker – yes, Nemcek-Button –yes and Eade –Abstain.

***Motion Passed***

Conley addressed the board about a wage increase for the part-time patrol officers. The current wages is \$17.00 an hour. It has been several years since they have received an increase. After reviewing area wages the committee agreed this year with not knowing how the budget is going to go that \$19.00 would be a good starting place. Eade felt that the Village pays for the trainings for the part timers so he felt this was fair. King stated that his would be the low end of the scale, but it was fine for now. This works out to about a 11% increase.

***Motion:***

Conley moved to increase the part-time patrol officers wage from \$17.00 to \$19.00. This will start on the next pay period. Trustee Eade seconded the motion and the following voted: Conley-yes, McMillen –yes, Severson-yes and Whiteaker – yes, Nemcek-Button –yes and Eade –yes.

***Motion Passed***

Joe Heinz from Heinz & Associates, Inc. to present the MFT documents for the 2020 street program The proposed program is to provide sealcoating on various road ways in the Village. This is bid out by DeKalb County in a shared project.

***Motion:***

McMillen moved to

1. Pass a maintenance resolution (Form BLR 14220) appropriating available funds from the Motor Fuel Tax Account to fund the year 2020 Street Maintenance Program.
2. Approve the Maintenance Engineering Agreement (BLR 05520)
3. Approve the Estimate of Maintenance Cost (BLR 14231)

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4. Authorize the Village Present and the Clerk to execute all necessary IDOT forms.

Trustee Eade seconded the motion and the following voted: Conley-yes, McMillen –yes, Severson-yes and Whiteaker – yes, Nemcek-Button –yes and Eade –yes.

***Motion Passed***

Wasson and Morphey have been working on a grant from Restore Illinois 2020. It is a grant for a minimum of \$250,000.00. It will cost the Village \$4000.00 to have Joe Heinz to submit the grant. There is a chance that we may not be chosen for the grant. At this point we are looking at apply it to more sidewalk installation and repair.

***Motion:***

McMillen moved to allow Heinz and Associates to submit the grant for the Restore Illinois 2020 for the amount of \$4000.00. Trustee Whiteaker seconded the motion and the following voted: Conley-NO, McMillen –yes, Severson-yes and Whiteaker – yes, Nemcek-Button –yes and Eade –yes.

***Motion Passed***

Before adjournment Morphey mentioned that vehicle stickers were due by the end of the month.

Grandgeorge stated the board would be informed as to how the meeting will be held next month.

Grandgeorge asked for a motion to adjourn. Nemcek-Button moved to adjourn everyone was in favor.

Meeting adjourned at 7:15pm.

***Respectfully,***

***Rebecca Morphey***  
***Village Clerk***