

Village of Spring Bay

ATTENDANCE ROSTER:

X Dave Tilley – President	X Scott Selburg - Trustee
X Ralph Atherton – Trustee	John Kelly – Treasurer
X Jerry Bishel – Trustee	X Maria Warner – Clerk
X Donald Bishel - Trustee	X Norm Schaer – Zoning Officer
X Trevor Hodge – Trustee	X Josh Herman – Village Attorney
X Gene Ball – Trustee	

REGULAR MEETING

May 12, 2021

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM.

The members of the Board were present as indicated above.

The pledge of allegiance was said.

Trevor motioned to approve the April 14th regular meeting minutes as presented. Ralph seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Scott motioned to approve the May 4th special meeting minutes as presented. Don seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Financial Report:

Dave reviewed the financial report. Ralph motioned to approve the financial report and pay the bills as presented. Scott seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Dave thanked Jerry Bishel for his service to the board. The newly elected board members, Mitch Atherton, Ralph Atherton, Gene Ball, and Scott Selburg, were sworn in by Dave.

Health:

- Dave encouraged everyone to get the COVID-19 vaccine.
- Ralph asked about the property at 106 Missouri. Scott asked a more general question about all residents that have not mowed or cared for their yard as of yet.

Scott provided Dave with a list of properties needing attention. Josh explained that we cannot give a ticket without a notice. Each time the violation is satisfied a new notice is required before a ticket can be issued.

Parks – Ralph Atherton

- The river is rising. If we do not get a large amount of rain after Friday we should be okay.
- There is a benefit catfishing tournament in June 12th. He asked Ralph if they could use the lower park for over-flow parking if needed. Ralph agreed.
- Ralph reported that he caught some juveniles with some sign poles from the outdoor shed. Scott will move them so they are no longer accessible.
- **Mowing Bids:** This was tabled at last meeting pending the gathering of additional information. Dave reviewed the bids received last month. Dave asked Jerry to expand on what was included in the bid. Jerry Jr. explained that his bid was based on using round-up. Josh explained that no commercial enterprise can use round-up without special licensure from the State.

Dave will rewrite the requirements and allow the two individuals that have already submitted bids rebid.

Streets and Alleys – Scott Selburg

- The spray patch has been completed. The resurfacing on Eichhorn is scheduled for June.
- He is waiting on signs.
- Scott has looked at the alleys. There are some that need attention. Mitch mentioned that there are some that need widened in order to fit the snow plow through.

Zoning– Norm Schaer

- One building permit has been issued.

Economic Development -

- Dave reported that Sankoty is sold out for Memorial Day. Scott asked when we will get our distribution.
- 106 Caroline St. would like to convert ½ of their garage into a bedroom and the other ½ a single chair salon. Closing in the garage door only requires a building permit, which has been issued. Josh asked about any ordinances that require that home businesses be allowed to operate. Without such code the Board has very little to no say in what a person does with their property. No one was aware of any existing ordinances. Josh doesn't believe they need special approval from the Board as long as the building permit has been issued.

Spring Clean Up –

- Volunteers are always welcome.
- Ralph asked that everyone spread the word that no one should be taking their own material to the dumpsters.

Communications –

- The old website is no longer in operation
- Dave asked for a volunteer or volunteers to operate a Facebook page. Josh explained that a Facebook page is considered a public document. If we allow comments we must find a way to memorialize all comments and save all information.

Police–

- The log provided was from last month. The officer did state that there has been an increase in identity theft.
- They have made a few stops in the parks after hours.
- The chief has communicated with some board members regarding ordinance violations.
- Ralph spoke with Ragan communication. It would cost between \$200 and \$400 to take all the equipment out of the car.

Building and Equipment

- Ralph called about getting the tractor serviced. There is approximately a three week wait.
- The siren will be fixed as soon as parts arrive
- The plow needs repair in several places. Dave asked Mitch to obtain an estimate to get it repaired.

Discuss and adopt procedures for variance requests

- It was agreed that we will abide by the requirements of the law for all variance requests going forward.

New Business

- Trevor announced that he will be resigning from the Board. He and his family will be moving out of the Village.

Old Business

Public Input and Comments

- Derek Tipsword was present. He owns the trailer park and just bought another near the river. Campbell lane was planned out to extend to Oswego but that did not ever occur. When it floods his tenants have no way to get out. He would like to get Campbell lane extended or at least some access of some type. Scott and Ralph will evaluate the

situation. He also asked if some rock could be placed on the lane. Ralph will work on that. Additionally, between 1014 & 1016 Lake Street there is a power pole between the driveways. The only thing on the pole is the street light. Ameren said he needed to talk to the Village about getting the pole moved. Scott will look into that.

- Theresa Buley asked for a copy of the minutes.
- Jerry Bishel Sr. informed the Board that per our ordinances #17, dated 14th Aug, 1956, a permit is required for the installation of a permit. His concern was one of the entrances to Sankoty. He is also concerned about the new restaurant construction. He is concerned about building permits that have never been turned in and the tax money that is lost. Dave said he will reconcile the list of permits that are believed to not be turned in with the permit copies we have on record. Norm explained that below 144 square feet no permit is issued. Norm has been delivering them to the tax assessor per Eureka's request.

Ralph motioned to adjourn the meeting. Gene seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Maria Warner
Village Clerk