Village of Spring Bay

ATTENDANCE ROSTER:

X Dave Tilley – President

X Ralph Atherton – Trustee
Mitch Atherton – Trustee
X John Kelly – Treasurer
X Donald Bishel - Trustee
X Maria Warner – Clerk

X Jason Atherton – Trustee
X Norm Schaer – Zoning Officer
X Gene Ball – Trustee
X Josh Herman – Village Attorney

REGULAR MEETING September 8, 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 recited.

Minutes:

Ralph motioned to approve the August 11, 2021 regular meeting minutes as presented. Scott seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Financial Report:

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

General Business:

Consideration and adoption of reallocation of funds to realign with actual costs

We are currently putting \$800 per month into the insurance fund. With the elimination of the police department the insurance bill is now only slightly more than \$6,000. There is also a current balance of approximately \$27,000 in the insurance fund before any other additions.

Gene motioned to transfer \$15,000 from the insurance fund to the vehicle fund, \$5,000 from the insurance fund to the savings account and change the monthly auto-transfer allocation to deposit \$550 into the insurance fund and \$250 into the vehicle fund. Seconded by Ralph. Motion carried.

Consideration an adoption of purchase of laptop for secretary

Dave recommended the purchase of a laptop for the use of the secretary to allow for work from home and other conveniences.

Ralph motioned to approve the purchase of a laptop at a cost not to exceed \$1,500. Jason seconded the motion. Motion carried by roll call vote with Scott, Don, Jason, Gene and Ralph voting aye.

Consideration and adoption of installing cameras at the parks

Jason provide the board with some information on camera options available to the Village. The Village can purchase a set of 5 cameras, one base camera and 4 linked cameras, which would work together on a cellular network. The cellular cost is approximately \$15 per month. That includes 2,000 pictures.

Scott motioned to authorize the purchase and installation of the recommended trail camera system, and necessary accessories, in the lower park at a cost not to exceed \$2,500. Ralph seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously by roll call with Scott, Don, Jason, Gene, and Ralph all voting aye.

Consideration and adoption to adjust pay of secretary and treasurer

Dave recommend that the secretary's pay be increased to \$175 per month due to expanded duties related to the website, grants, regular payroll, etc.

Scott motioned to increase the secretary's pay to \$175 per month. Gene seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Committee Reports:

Parks -

Ralph reported that someone has been over-turning the port-a-potties. He has anchored them as a deterrent. He is going to purchase some rock for the park and various alleys.

Ralph informed the Board that we are loaning some picnic tables to Isaac Walton this weekend.

Streets and Alleys – No report at this time

Zoning/Norm Schaer – No report at this time

Building and Equipment –

The problem with the air conditioner turned out to be the batteries in the thermostat.

New Business

Old Business

Ralph would like to provide residents with flyer informing them of the rules related to the use of golf carts as well as what is not allowed on the streets.

Ralph would like to investigate a contract with the county for police coverage.

There was discussion as to what action can be taken when residents, including children, are driving prohibited vehicles such as ATVs and mini-bikes on the roads. Josh explained that the Village could serve them with an ordinance violation but that would then require taking them to court and the costs associated with that action.

Public Input and comments

A resident asked if we have received any funds from Sankoty. Dave will follow up on this issue now that he is home.

A resident reminded everyone of the Bridge to Bridge celebration and the free pancake breakfast at the church during that weekend.

A resident reported that there is a car that parks at the corner of Lake St. & Zimmerman and the car extends into the street. He also asked if Dave will make a request of Sankoty to burn the abandoned houses. He also asked if we could rent a chipper this fall and get some of the trees that are hanging into the street cleaned up. He asked about the settings on the cameras for the park and how they can be adjusted to capture the activity we want to capture. He asked about the old laptop from the police department. It turns on but is operable. He also asked if we had disposed of the police car yet. We have not. It needs a battery.

A resident informed the Board that the Illinois River Clean-up will be held on September 18th starting at 9:00 AM. She also mentioned the monarch butterfly event held at the library.

A resident reminded the board that from 6-8 on September 27^{th} there will be a free Christian music concert at the lower park.

Adjournment

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

Respectfully submitted,

Maria Warner Village Clerk