**Village of Bellwood**

**Meeting Minutes ~ March 7th, 2022**

The Village of Bellwood Board of Trustees held its regular meeting on March 7th, 2022, at the Village Auditorium. Chairwoman Joyce Napier, called the meeting to order at 7:02 with Co-Chair Scott Romshek, and Trustees Connie Scholz, Jeremy Junck, and Lee Nickolite in attendance. Village employees Jennifer Stracke and Paul Nickolite were also present.

Chairwoman Napier stated that the open meetings law is in effect.

The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

The Minutes of the February 7th, 2022, Meeting was up for approval. Trustees Connie Scholz motioned to approve the minutes. Co-Chair Scott Romshek seconded the motion, which passed all in favor, no one against.

The February bills were read by Jennifer Stracke. Chairwoman Joyce Napier motioned to approve the bills and Trustee Jeremy seconded the motion, which passed all in favor, no one against.

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| Feb-22 |  |  |
| Vendor | Amount | Check # |
| VOB Truck Payment | $525.93 | E-Pay |
| VOB Loan Transfer | $696.95 | E-Pay |
| NE Dept of Revenue | $835.78 | E-Pay |
| QuickBooks Live | $40.00 | E-Pay |
| IRS Tax payment | $1,808.12 | E-Pay |
| University of Omaha/ clerk Conf | $493.00 | E-Pay |
| Card Services | $359.60 | 15367 |
| Hometown Leasing | $89.50 | 15639 |
| Butler County Treasurer Office | $1,000.00 | 15635 |
| BPPD | $3,577.91 | 15636 |
| Verizon | $166.50 | 15643 |
| Edgewater Insurance | $5,776.00 | 15638 |
| Windstream | $382.04 | 15645 |
| Jackson Services | $188.12 | 15640 |
| MARC | $150.48 | 15641 |
| Obrist & CO - DOS 8/20/21 | $625.00 | 15646 |
| Waste Connection | $103.50 | 15644 |
| NE Public Health Environmental Lab | $172.00 | 15642 |
|  | $16,990.43 |  |

**Butler County Sheriff’s Department:**

Sheriff Dion has no new update for Bellwood. CAD report shows a number error. Talked about

4-wheeler coming to town and disturbing the peace, but they are alway gone by the time police are doing patrol for the village.

**Complaint Form** – Complaint form was not filled out, instead Resident Bill Macoubrie was added to the agenda for discussion. Complaint was made against the board member stating that past water bills is not reason to go into executive session. Bill gave proper reasons on which a board can enter into Executive session. Joyce stated we put the wrong wording on the agenda when we added Executive session for past water bills. Instead, we needed an Executive Session on Past Employee conduct discussion. Joyce did discuss the complaint with our Village Attorney for clarification. Eric from Midwest Assistant program offered to train clerk and board members on proper procedures.

**Tree Board** – No report

**Planning and Zoning –** February Planning and Zoning Commission meeting minutes and election of officers provided in packet.

Ray Sueper went over his Officer’s report for February. He is going to research pool regulations and talk to our Attorney Tim regarding Liability Insurance for residents who has pools. Questioning if we do not enforce properties to have a fence when they have a pool if the village can enforce proof of liability from the resident’s insurance company.

**Water Treatment Center:** Expensive heater broke down in 1 of the rooms. No warranty on the Heater. Paul is researching on an In-expensive garage heater that would work just as good.

**Utilities Report:** Well house heater was breaking down on Sunday. Its was either running to cold in the room or too hot, so Paul went and bought a new heater. Also, discussed Resident had barely any water pressure. Paul stated we can start making a list of residents for when the fire hydrants get replaced.

**Old Business:**

1. Stop signs on both corners of the school

2. Nuisance Properties update from Joyce regarding McDonald residence is in Probate

3. Johnson/Keller resident meter is now fixed

**Other Business –**

Richard and Eric with Midwest Assistance Program RCAP, explained our USDA loan for the Water Treatment Center. They prepared our USDA FY 2021 Management Report for our Water System. Chairwomen needs to sign report, along with the clerk.

Utility Superintendent Paul presented 2 quotes for new ceiling LED lights for the Utility shop. Also, needs a Commercial outlet for the south side of the shop. Chairwomen Joyce Napier motioned to approve Wesley Electric for installation for new shop lights and a Commercial Grade outlet and Trustee Jeremy Junck seconded the motion, which passed all in favor, no one against.

Clerk Jennifer Stracke presented a quote from Connecting Point, for a new laptop. Joyce motioned to approve a new laptop from Connection Point and Co-Chair Scott Romshek seconded the motion, which passed all in favor, no one against.

Clerk provided information in packets regarding current Bonds and Loans that the Village of Bellwood currently has and just paid off in 2021 and 2022.

Bellwood Spring Cleaning was discussed by the board, and they agreed the date to be June 10th and 11th, second weekend in June as done in the past.

Trustee Scott Romshek presented a quote from John Deere regarding a new bagger cost for the Villages lawn mower. Also, presented a quote on a new 2021 commercial mower.

Discussion regarding Armor Coat. Board looked over 2021 Armor Coat for Road Guys and stated they broke contract by starting work in September instead of July. Going to get new bids for 2022 Armor Coating from H&L Asphalt and TopCoat Company.

Next Meeting will be Monday, April 4th, 2022, at 7:00 p.m. in the Auditorium.

Village Clerk,

Jennifer Stracke