

Village of Towanda
Board Meeting Minutes 02/05/2024

Acting Mayor: Don Williams

Trustees: Debbie Kinsella
Tammy Pate
Gary Smith
Don Williams
Scott Flack
Amy Woodrum

Village Clerk: Lula F Zimmermann

Treasurer: Bonnie Smith

Supt. of Public Works: Steve Evans

Acting Mayor Don Williams called the meeting to order at 7 pm. The Pledge was recited, and attendance was taken.

Guests Present: 1 Delegates/Guests were present.

Consent Agenda

We made some changes to the agenda this month and the approval of minutes and the payment of bills are all rolled into one category with only one roll call vote needed and then discussion if needed. Debbie made the motion to approve both the minutes and the approval of bills. Tammy Pate seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and passed with all ayes.

Discussion:

None

Delegations

Mark McGrath a prospective Attorney was here tonight to answer any questions that we might have and to

Give us a run down of all the items he would help us take care of. He said that there is nothing that he

Or his staff can't handle. He was very informative on the information that he gave us. He also stated that if someone was to sue us, he would not represent that person.

Committee Reports

4th of July committee reported that they made \$900.00 last year and is asking if we are going to help with the cost of the Fireworks again this year and also if we would pay for both police officers for the time that

They are present at the 4th Festivities.

Discussion

5.01 Bloomington Water Increase

Don let us know that we have no option but to increase our water rates as of May 1st, same as the City of

Bloomington. We would have an Ordinance in April in Place for the May increase.

5.02 Flood Sensor for Pump House Equipment

There is a one time charge of \$500.00 and this would let us know if there was any flooding at the Pump House or any other issues that might arise in the near future. We would pull half from the contingency and

Decide next month how to pay the rest of the balance.

5.03 Community Building Security/Keying.

We have learned that there are signatures missing and some of the keys are also missing. We need to have a new core made and then we would start a new book from scratch with everyone signing for the keys that they have checked out.

5.04 Capital Plan/Budget

Bonnie let us know that we need to have a rough draft ready In March and that we might need to have a couple of meetings before that so that we are ready to vote on it in the April Board Meeting. We decided to

Have a meeting on February 26 at 6:00pm and another one in March.

Action

6.01 Zoning Board of Appeals

The Zoning Board of Appeals met on January 31st, 2024 in regards to a variation from Regulations

Of a Village Ordinance. They decided that we could make a Revocable License Agreement With the Owner of the Property and he was okay with this as long as he is given a 24 hour notice unless it is an emergency to get to the entrance of the creek involved in the Variance. A Roll call vote was taken and passes with all ayes.

Trustee/Employee/Mayor Reports

Acting Mayor: Don Williams

Don let us know that he is doing some community outreach and that the American Legion is going to

Take over the Flag Drop Box. He also let us know that the Route 66 Car Show would be Sunday, May 19th, 2024. He is also still working on some things with the Insurance in hopes that we can get IML to give us a quote with the information from Compass.

Debbie Kinsella

Debbie let us know that Steve is going to strip and wax the community building after the 12th.

Scott Flack

Scott let us know that we have to charge our residents the same price as Bloomington is going to

Be charging us and those rates will be going up in May.

Gary Smith

Gary let us know that he had a meeting with Farnsworth regarding Motor Fuel Tax and that he has

Taken a lot of learning courses to do with MFT and other aspects of his positions.

Gary also mentioned that there is some training to do with IWPMAN and some others for FEMA TRAINING.

Tammy Pate

Tammy did not have anything to report tonight.

Amy Woodrum

Amy informed us that someone had contacted her to see if they could put in a New Bench

In Memory of Lyle & Mary Merritt and also a stone

Don Williams

Don let us know that the BP permit was not done yet and that we have a request into Julie.

Steve Evans

Steve mentioned that they have some new lights in the shop.

Bonnie Smith


Bonnie's information was already discussed in the Discussion time.

Lula F Zimmermann

Lula told us that we were going to have some new training on the New Neptune 360 Software on

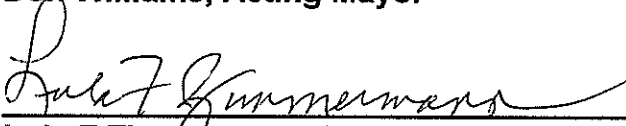
The 26th of this month.

With nothing else to discuss the Don asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Debbie Kinsella made the motion to adjourn and Scott Flack seconded the motion and the meeting ended at 10:00pm.



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Don Williams, Acting Mayor



Lula F Zimmermann, Village Clerk