

Williamsfield Village Board Meeting December 2, 2019

The Williamsfield Village Board met in regular session on December 2, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. in the Village Hall. Present were President Tonkin, Trustees Trudy Self, Pam Courson, Michael Gray, Ryan Smith and Stanley King. Stuart Hickerson was absent. Also present were Jeff Campbell, Dustin Courson, Joanie Stiers, Teresa Doubet, Mark and Susan Ott, Williamsfield Middle School Robotics team, Cec Ruck, Chief James Robertson, Treasurer Mary Rice, Tom Rice (R/O Plant) and Village Clerk Tori Courson.

Motion by Trustee Smith and seconded by Trustee Self to approve the minutes of the November 2019 meeting as presented. All in favor. Motion carried.

New Bills: The following bills were presented for approval.

GENERAL

Vendor / Category	Details	Amount
Motorola Solutions	Computer Usage	\$34.00
West Central FS	Maintenance-Gas, oil & diesel	\$72.19
West Central FS	Police Gas & oil	\$136.29
Bank of Farmington card	Eyebolts, Tractor Supply & HP Ink	\$129.79
H & H Industries	Labor to put up Christmas lights	\$300.00
Brimfield Hardware	Supplies	\$167.80
Stevens-Campbell	2 nd installment Workers Comp	\$1,702.00
Verizon	Police	\$36.05
Menards	Rags, ice melt, drill bits, sockets, batteries, etc	\$149.44
Burner, Cooper and Zuck	Engineering Fee – Village Hall	\$473.48
Staples	Adding machine paper, envelopes & membership	\$96.56
		TOTAL \$3,297.60

OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE

Vendor / Category	Details	Amount
Hawkins	Chemicals	\$814.50
PDC Hardware	Testing	\$156.00
Staples	Ink roller for time clock & highlighters	\$27.06
USA Bluebook	4 schedule 80 PVC nipple,	\$27.09
	elbow, coupling, Adapter, ball valve 7 nipple	\$234.40
Ladd's	Paper supplies & batteries	\$17.76
Lowe's	Snow shovel & penetrating oil	\$25.64

Core & Main	Supplies & (6) 100 gal meter 4-wheel less touch	\$1,372.87
		TOTAL \$2,675.32

Motion by Trustee Gray and seconded by Trustee Smith to approve the new bills as presented. All in favor. Motion carried.

Trustee Gray provided details on the review of financial statements, %over and %under for the month. All were in order. Motion by Trustee Courson and seconded by Trustee King to approve the financial statements. All in favor. Motion carried.

Public Comment: Treasurer Mary Rice stated the Tax assessors' letter for the RO Plant was received; she submitted the paperwork to the State for exemption.

Cec Ruck wanted to thank everyone for their help at the Lighting of the Park. She noticed the Merry Christmas light is out on Gale Street which is probably from the high winds. She will contact H & H Industries to get it handled.

Jake Redenius and the Williamsfield Middle School Robotics Team "The Bombotics" demonstrated the presentation they are going to do at the FIRST Lego League competition on Saturday, December 14 at the John Deere World Headquarters. The team has been working hard and putting in long hours on their solution to the community not having a health care clinic. They demonstrated the clinic they created that is run totally by computers and robotics.

Jeff Campbell, Joanie Stiers, Dustin Courson and Teresa Doubet presented the prestigious Governor's Cup that the Williamsfield FFA Alumni and Friends, Williamsfield Parks Association and Village of Williamsfield have won recognizing the Playground Barn-Raising Project as the top volunteer project in the state in 2018. This project recruited 77 volunteers, ranging from teenagers to 70-year old's, who gave 2,032 hours in 2018. The cup will be on display at various locations throughout the community.

This project had first won a Governor's Hometown Award. The Governor's Hometown Awards program gives formal recognition to those who contributed to their community's quality of life through projects that had strong volunteer support, met a need, and made a definitive impact. Out of 21 Hometown Awards, four projects are considered for consideration for the Governor's Cup. At the awards ceremony that took place at the Governor's

mansion, where Williamsfield was selected for the Cup, it was also awarded a road sign. The committee would like to purchase another sign or two to display along the highway and at the park. The committee would like to thank and recognize all the volunteers and donors that helped make this happen.

Correspondence: The Village Board received a Christmas box of cookies from Bruner, Cooper and Zuck.

Street Report: They need to order sand and gravel or work with the Township to resolve the agreements there for sand, salt, gravel.

Police Report: There was a complaint of a couple of freezers and a refrigerator in yards. Chief Robertson will follow up.

The following calls for service were handled by the police department for the month of November:

POLICE REPORT

Category	Status / Resolution
(4) Person Down	Medical
Repo Notification	Notified
(2) Lockout	Problem Solved
Fraud	Report on file
Driving Complaint	Followed up/GOA
911 Hang up	Accidental dial

CITATIONS ISSUED IN NOVEMBER

Violations	Citations	Warnings
Seatbelt	0	0
Speeding	2	0
Disobeyed Stop Sign	0	0
Ordinance Violations	0	0
Other	0	0

Park Report: There was not a meeting held in November.

Old Business- The Village needs to decide how they are going to handle cannabis becoming legal in January 2020. The options discussed at the last meeting were to ban the sale of cannabis, allow the sale of cannabis and tax it and follow the State and Counties laws that go along with it or do nothing at all and wait to see if there is an interest to sell and address the law then.

President Tonkin has been in contact with the Village's attorneys to explore all of the options, after much discussion on the pros, cons and possibly doing a community poll; the Board decided to create a conditional ban. Motion by Trustee Gray and seconded by Trustee King to pass a conditional Cannabis Ordinance that bans the sale of Cannabis but if anyone wants to start a business selling Cannabis, they will need to approach the Board for approval or denial.

Roll Call Vote – Self-yes; Courson-yes; Gray-yes; Smith-yes; King-yes. All in favor. Motion carried.

President Tonkin spoke with Chris Courtright regarding the Village's need for sidewalk repair. He said other Village's do their own repairs with advice from experienced companies. President Tonkin wants to revisit the subject in the spring and possibly get the maintenance department and volunteers to do the repairs.

President Tonkin spoke with one of the Township employees and the salt/sand relationship between the Village and Township is in good standing.

President Tonkin is going to talk to Tabitha Beardsley and get the newest information on the County Transit Project.

New Business: Motion by Trustee Gray and seconded by Trustee Smith to give 12 Village Employees a \$100 Christmas Bonus. Roll Call Vote – Self-yes; Courson-yes; Gray-yes; Smith-yes; King-yes. All in favor. Motion carried.

The dates for meetings in 2020 were set. The September Village Board Meeting will be held on Monday, September 14 due to Labor Day.

Michael Goodin is interested in purchasing the SE Lot on Cottonwood Court and plans to start building a house in the spring. Michael offered \$8,000 for the lot. Motion by Trustee Courson and seconded by Trustee Smith to accept his offer of \$8,000 for the SE lot. Roll Call Vote – Self-yes; Courson-yes; Gray-yes; Smith-yes; King-yes. All in favor. Motion carried.

WACDO had 2 large trash cans donated last year for the downtown area or park. The board decided to place one near Double Take and one on Gale Street. Trustee King stated the maintenance department can empty them.

There was a concern about an out-of-town resident bringing his garbage in town for garbage pickup but the resident does pay for water and garbage pickup at the house in question.

President Tonkin attended the Elmwood Community Foundation dinner and learned about Graham Hospital partnering with the YMCA to offer a clinic, gym, physical rehab, etc. He met with a representative from Graham to discuss Williamsfield getting a part time clinic. They would first need a building with a waiting room, exam rooms, etc. President Tonkin is following up with OSF on the status of the existing, empty clinic and will be in contact with Graham.

President Tonkin is going to reach out to IDOT about getting Williamsfield listed on the road sign near Knoxville on 74 that only lists Brimfield.

Motion by Trustee Self and seconded by Trustee Smith to adjourn the meeting. All were in favor. Meeting Adjourned.

The next meeting will be held on January 6, 2020.

Minutes approved as presented:


Tori Courson - Clerk