

## Williamsfield Village Board Meeting February 6, 2023

The Williamsfield Village Board met on Monday, February 6, 2023, at 7:00 p.m. at the KP Village Hall. Present were Trustees Trudy Self, Andrew Scott, Stuart Hickerson, Julie Van Dran and Nancy Everett. Trustee Jeremy Eagle was absent. Also present were Stanley King, Robert Johnson, Susan Ott, Mary Rice (Treasurer), Tom Rice (R/O Plant), Nick Vlahos (The Weekly Post), President Matt Tonkin, Chief Robertson and Tori Courson (Village Clerk).

Motion by Trustee Self and seconded by Trustee Van Dran to approve the minutes from the January 2023 meeting as presented. All in favor. Motion carried.

New Bills: The following bills were presented for approval. Motion by Trustee Scott and seconded by Trustee Hickerson to approve the bills as presented. All in favor. Motion carried.

<u>GENERAL</u>		
Vendor / Category	Details	Amount
Motorola Solutions	Computer Usage	\$52.00
West Central FS	Maintenance Gas & Oil	\$221.58
West Central FS	Police Gas & Oil	\$120.33
Brimfield Hardware	AA procell battery, chore gloves, blade fuse holder cable ties, CPVC Trn adapter, armored plug, ball valve, clamps, AAA batteries & AA batteries	\$259.79
Menards	Fleece gloves, trans adapt & toolbox 200 ct blue box	\$68.37
Card service Center	Ink, 7 mil nitr gloves, dual head tire gauge, socket rails, 1/4" dr quick release 9 pc wobble socket, Ideal multim 360 tester, Ideal wire stripper & klein pliers	\$396.60
Verizon Wireless	Police	\$36.01
Julie, Inc	Annual email transmissions & annual voice transmissions	\$154.09
Royal Publishing	Ads in programs for 2023 Class 1AGirls basketball ROWVA Williamsfield	\$120.00
H & H Industries, Inc	Take down Christmas lights	\$200.00
Wight Chevrolet	Blade & headlamp	\$39.40
Staples	Payroll book, Bic whiteout & Hammermill paper	\$89.01
Illinois Public Safety Agency	Police- billing at \$50 per month for 6 months	\$300.00
Stanley King	Reimburse for (3) 5x8 Poly US Flags & (3) 4x6 Poly US Flags	\$330.25
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$2,387.43</b>

<b>OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE</b>		
<b>Vendor / Category</b>	<b>Details</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Hawkins	Chemicals	\$984.41
Pace Analytical Service, LLC	Testing's, Inorganic chemical package & corrosion control	\$633.20
USA Bluebook	(4) stainless nipples (1/2" x 2") & (4) stainless steel nipples 1/2" x 1 1/2" feed rate central service kit & quikpro head service ket	\$213.40
Altorfer	Perform service level 2, 4 & 19 on generator	\$2,506.17
American Water Chemicals	12 cases of cartridge filters (20 per case)	\$4,152.00
Corrpro	Maintenance agreement proposal	\$780.00
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$9,269.18</b>

Financial Statements: Motion by Trustee Self and seconded by Trustee Van Dran to approve the financial statements. All in favor. Motion carried.

Public Comment: Harsh Puri and William Raines were listed on the agenda to attend for public comment to discuss liquor and gaming at Ladds, but did not attend. President Tonkin understood from conversations with Legion members that this was due to a pending special meeting at the Legion to consider the approval of liquor and gaming at Ladds. Tom Rice stated on January 14<sup>th</sup>, a Village employee, Susan Ott and Mark Ott accused Mary Rice of stealing from the Village and accused Tom Rice of stealing from the Water Department. Tom stated if the Village has proof of these allegations, they will resign and they can be arrested. There is enough dissent in town without her spreading rumors. President Tonkin asked Susan Ott if she had evidence and if she did, it needed to be referred to Chief Robertson. Trustee Scott asked Susan if she had proof and she stated No and he asked if an investigation needed to be opened and Susan stated I don't think so. President Tonkin stated that is a very serious accusation and that it is an offense to wrongly accuse someone of theft. He stated that is something that should not be said in the heat of the moment and asked all involved to try and stay civil.

Correspondence: President Tonkin received a letter from EPA stating funds are reserved for the Village's next water project and a second letter from EPA that stated the construction permit was denied due to calcium chloride and magnesium sulfate chemicals used in the water. Andy Logsdon will explain later in the meeting.

Street and Maintenance Report: Trustee Scott stated Troy Kirgan will trim the trees on Elm Street once the weather allows, the Xmark mower was sold on Facebook and the highest bidder was Patrick Boyer for \$650. Motion by Trustee Scott and seconded by Trustee Everett to sell the mower to Patrick Boyer for \$650. All in favor. Motion carried. At previous meetings, the Board members have been discussing selling or trading in the maintenance department's work truck and snowplow/dump truck and

purchasing a 1-ton truck. Trustee Scott found an ideal truck that sold quickly. Motion by Trustee Self and seconded by Trustee Everett to approve Trustee Scott to spend up to \$45,000 to purchase a truck for the maintenance department. All in favor. Motion carried. The trustees then discussed purchase of the FS AG flat building which is a 10,000 square foot building with cement floor that could be used for storage and eventually used as the maintenance department's shed as soon as electricity and plumbing are installed. The Village will save \$2500 a year by cancelling the lease with BNSF for storage for salt. Massie and Quick LLC prepared an Ordinance for the Village to purchase the building from FS AG Land. Motion by Trustee Scott and seconded by Trustee Self to approve the ordinance to purchase the building. All in favor, motion carried.

Water Report: Andy Logsdon representing Bruner, Cooper and Zuck stated he is going to reach out to Larry Lawson regarding the denial letter from the EPA stating the construction permit for the second water phase is denied due to calcium chloride and magnesium sulfate chemicals used in the water, in order for the Village to be in compliance with the EPA, the Village must replace the ground storage tank and the project included replacing East end water lines. Andy is going to ask Larry if the chemicals can be adjusted or removed but still have the final water product so the project can move forward. The Village received 4 bids for the water project: Hoerr Construction at \$1,450,472 Walker Excavating at \$1,466,910, Hood Construction at \$1,497,745 and Laverdiere Construction at \$1,729,624. The total construction with design engineering, construction engineering, legal fees and 10% contingency is \$1,755,519; the total principal forgiveness would be \$665,000 and the loan amount would be \$1,090,519 at 0.93% for a 20 year loan, the annual repayment will be \$60,006. The Board members discussed whether they should put the project on hold to see if the principle forgiveness would be more in the Village favor in the future but the rates will increase to 2%; after comparison on costs, the Board decided to move ahead with the current bid and percent. WIRC could possibly have grants to help offset costs or water rates might have to increase to. Motion by Trustee Scott and seconded by Trustee Everett to accept Hoerr Construction's bid. All in favor. Motion approved. Andy Logsdon stated the Board needs to have an estimated plan on how to spend Motor Fuel Tax and if it is not all used, it will be available to use at a later date; \$18,000 will be used on the east end of town for the street and sidewalk repair after the water lines are replaced. Motor Fuel Tax can be used on streets, sidewalks culverts etc. Trustee Everett asked if culverts could be purchased and installed near Kentucky Avenue to help the storm drain issue or would that change the water flow for the project; in order for the storm water project to move forward with USDA, the Village will need to pay \$35,000 for engineering fees, the storm water issues have been discussed for years. Motion by Trustee Everett and seconded by Trustee Self to approve paying the \$35,000 to Bruner, Cooper and Zuck for engineering fees for the storm water project.

Police Report: Chief Robertson stated he is making a list of unregistered vehicles and unsightly properties to issue warnings to homeowners that are not in compliance with the Village Nuisance Ordinance and issue citations if they do not comply. Chief Robertson stated the alley that goes next to the Food Pantry has utilities and anything beyond the utilities are Double Take and the Historical Society's property therefore,

motor vehicles are not allowed passed that point. To enforce no motor vehicles, a sign would need to be installed. The Board discussed getting the properties surveyed and Trustee Everett stated the entire block would have to get surveyed and can be costly; Trustee Everett is going to get an estimate on the cost.

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

(5) 911 calls	Accidental/problem solved
Suspicious vehicle	Report on file
Fraud	Report on file
Property Complaint	Investigation continues

**CITATIONS ISSUED IN JANUARY**

<b>Violations</b>	<b>Citations</b>	<b>Warnings</b>
Seatbelt	0	0
Speeding	0	0
Disobeyed Stop Sign	0	0
Ordinance Violations	0	0
Other	0	0

Parks Report: Trustee Eagle is working on getting a quote from Rick Lafollette for grading the baseball and soccer fields.

Veteran’s Park: Clerk Courson will share the fundraising site on Facebook and will possibly create a fundraising site on Facebook that people can donate directly to. Facebook does keep some of the funds.

Old Business: Massie and Quick LLC have been consolidating and revising the Village’s liquor and gaming license, which now includes 3 pour licenses and one packaged and the bar hours are extended to 2 am on Friday and Saturdays. Motion by Trustee Van Dran and seconded by Trustee Everett. All in favor. Motion carried. The water tower cleaning will start once the weather is good.

Next meeting will be held on Monday, March 6<sup>th</sup>, 2023.

Minutes approved as presented: Tou. Courson