

Village of Mapleton
REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Thursday, May 09 2019

6:30 p.m.

Meeting to be recorded

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1) Roll Call

Clerk called roll – present: Carl A. Bishop, Mayor; Trustees: Mike Beech, Mark Brining, Liz Rench, Rodney Smith and Harvey Stidham. Mark Foust arrived at 6:35 pm.) Also present: Patricia Briggs, Clerk; Rhonda Hodges, Treasurer; and Michel Seghetti, Village Attorney.

2) Pledge of Allegiance

3) Call to Order – Mayor Carl Bishop called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm.

4) Approval of Agenda

Clerk asked that Committee Reports be moved up after Item 7 – Addressing the Board. Liz Rench made a motion to approve the agenda with the change and was seconded by Rodney Smith. Votes: Yes – Mike Beecham, Mark Brining, Liz Rench, Rodney Smith and Harvey Stidham. No – None. Absent – Mark Foust

5) Consent Agenda

All items listed under the Consent Agenda are considered routine by the Village Board and will be enacted by one motion with no separate discussion of the items. If discussion of an item is desired, that item will be removed from the consent agenda to be considered separately.

A. Minutes from Regular Board Meeting – April 11, 2019

B. Bills & Correspondence (Received April 11 – May 9, 2019)

C. Treasurer's Report

Liz Rench made a motion to approve the consent agenda and was seconded by Mike Beecham. Votes: Yes – Mike Beecham, Mark Brining, Liz Rench, Rodney Smith and Harvey Stidham. No – None. Absent – Mark Foust

6) Public Comments

Please keep comments to three minutes. Review the agenda before you speak. This is the ONLY opportunity you will be given to speak

more Mapleton residents involved and to come to the meetings. There was a County deputy and two Glasford police officers were at the last meeting at the firehouse in Glasford. Mike asked if they had discussed moving it around the villages to make it easier for people to attend. Patti explained that before school ends, they are going to go in to talk with Roger Alvey and get a program in the school for the kids for all three levels and having it at different areas. No decision has been made yet. She explained that West Peoria has had a watch for 18 years and they are active. Some arrests have recently been made. Glasford Clerk will issue permits for peddlers and solicitors. It was pointed out that Mapleton has done that for years. Patti said they will try to get different speakers to talk about things that are important to the community. Harvey said he takes note of car license plates that come down his road that have no place there. Patti reiterated that the best thing to do is to put up no trespassing signs. If you don't have signs up, the county can't help. You can also paint a purple band on a portion of a tree, as purple means no trespassing.

**B. Ratification of Ordinance 2019-04-11-1 Amended & Restated
Appropriations per legal counsel not necessary.**

C. Sam's Club renewal - \$45 on May 15 – Clerk

The clerk explained that the cost of the renewal is covered by the first 3-4 boxes of paper that is purchased, plus savings on other office and building supplies. Liz made a motion to renew the Sam's membership at \$45 and was seconded by Mike Beecham. Votes: Yes – Mike Beecham, Mark Foust, Patti Monks, Liz Rench, Rodney Smith and Harvey Stidham. No – 0. Motion passed.

D. Mowing – Patti stated that Vern Hicks had contacted her and Mark Brining gave the ok to mow a portion of Monk's Lane. Rodney Smith received a couple of bids for getting our own equipment and keeping the mowing in house. This will be put on the June Agenda. Mike has no issue with mowing around village hall and Will Monks will mow the area around the water tower before the next meeting. Fritz stated that the grass at the tower is knee high. Rhonda Hodges also said Bill could drive across the road to mow. The board will look at cost comparisons and come to a decision.

Audit/Auditor – Mike Our best interest to keep them for the current year and then take a second look. Mike Beecham made a motion to retain Gorenz & Assoc. as our auditor for at least one more fiscal year audit and was seconded by Liz Rench. Votes: Yes – Mike Beecham, Mark Foust, Patti Monks, Liz Rench, Rodney Smith and Harvey Stidham. No – 0. Motion passed.

- F. Changes to Minimum Wage – Rhonda - minimum is changing. This was taken into consideration when hiring for Streets and alleys. No further discussion needed
- G. Change of Meeting Date and Time for fiscal year – Ordinance 2019-05-09-03 - Liz suggested meeting at 7 pm on the 2nd Wednesday of the month. Several of the trustees remarked that this would make it easier for them to be on time for meetings. Liz Rench made a motion to accept Ordinance 2019-05-09-03 to change the meeting date to the 2nd Wednesday of the month at 7:00 pm and was seconded by Patti Monks. Votes: Yes – Mike Beecham, Mark Foust, Patti Monks, Liz Rench, Rodney Smith and Harvey Stidham. No – 0. Motion passed.
- H. Extending hours of Mapleton Post Office – Patti. Patti stated she had met with the postmaster and she had explained that with the addition of all the Amazon, UPS and FedEx overnight deliveries that that they are really pressed to get everything done in the hours they are open. She also stated that people were complaining that there isn't time to pick up certified letters or packages with the short hours. It was decided that this wasn't an issue for the Village to be involved in and the suggestion was made to talk with the postal supervisor in Pekin and to also get the Lake Camelot Home Owner's Association involved as well.
- I. Repairs to cinder blocks (tuck pointing) and hall flooring – Liz
Liz explained that she and the clerk has called many different masonry companies and only Force Masonry Construction gave a bid. She said if anyone walked around the building, they would be able to see all the cracks in the tuckpointing marked with tape. The bid is \$2,980.00, which includes caulking windows and doors. Mayor Bishop commented that it was a very reasonable bid. Mike Beecham suggested giving it to Streets and Alleys to get additional bids. Clerk explained that she had called every masonry company in a 40-mile area and none of them were interested in bidding, other than Force. Rhonda Hodges recommended getting it done now. The hall flooring was put aside for now. Patti Monks made a motion to accept the bid from Force Masonry and was seconded by Mike Beecham. Votes: Yes –

Mike Beecham stated that he wants to forego his trustee pay for the rest of his term and it was confirmed by the attorney that he could do so.

15) Adjourn Open Session

Liz made a motion to adjourn the meeting and was seconded by Mike Beecham. Voice vote was unanimous. Meeting adjourned at 7:42 pm.

Recorded and transcribed by Patricia Briggs, Village Clerk

Patricia A. Briggs

Approved by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Mapleton 12 June 2019