*Village Meeting*

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County of Iroquois

Village of Loda Board

7/10/2019

 The Village of Loda Board of Trustees held their regular meeting on June12, 2019 at the Village Hall. Present were: President Carol Areseneau, Trustees: Ronda Breeden, Cathy Tittle, Jon Boone, Joyce Gharst, Gene Breeden jr, Patricia Allen and Village attorney Dale Strough. Clerk Regina Ptacek Meeting called to order at 7pm, all spoke the Pledge of Allegiance.

Minute: Joyce motion approve meeting minutes June2019 and waive reading of both, Jon second roll call, all aye, no opposed

ERH: work report, John McBride present and advised will be cleaning catch basins this week. Gene verified holes on Maxwell as sinkhole, JR verified not a sink hole, not a cavity and cold patch to fill. JR get with Gene to go see and verify what needs to repair.

Water Tower: Tom, this agreement takes through of final design and construction phase including inspection. $64900.00 money spending over next 12 months. Includes money for resident project inspection, on part time basis over 8 months. Attorney did scan and appears to be standard engineer contract, didn’t read word for word. Tom verified standard form of agreement. Each trustee with copy of historic preservation agency, will sign Friday, other agency to sign it and then back to village to sign. If after all review and is done or if any other changes required. Tom verified to have Carol signed when comes and not wait for next board meeting.

Ronda motion pending approve of attorney to proceed with agreement. Gene second, roll call, all ayes

Ronda motion to allow Carol to sign historic society when comes in, Cathy second motion, roll call all ayes.

Demo the tank as a bid item to demo the old tank when time is here. Tom authorize to add to bid pkg, grant 500,000 if anything over would be village responsibility.

Jon motion to authorize cost of demo of old to the regular grant that applied for. Gene second. Roll call all aye

Tom states next meeting will be able to have a date for start and bid. Will be one year once all starts, sometime late summer.

Streets: need to motion to reject bid received and then minimal amount of work and get another bid from. Tom suggest reject bid and authorize to get bid less then $25,000 and if can get before next meeting to have Carol authorized. Jefferson street one coat and additional coat on next year. Concern with running out of time for this year. Verified on Aarsma and to Recyclers concern with roads being used. Carol verified Jefferson street this year and start bids earlier next year on other items.

Jon motion to reject bid receive from Greys material, Joyce second roll call all ayes

Tom will talk to another bidder, Myles verified using Motor fuel tax. Carol verified main priority is Jefferson since we built road up but concern with under $25,000. Tom will let Carol know tomorrow.

Jon motion to authorize Carol for engineer for quotes for less than $25,000 and to accept bid, Joyce second. Roll call motion carried.

Old:

Properties: couple people not taking seriously with letters we have sent and will turn over to lawyer. Lizzio removed vehicles off property.

Intergovernmental agreement for township and us, lawyer changed and made new agreement with liability insurance. Dale verified that each lists the other as insured party on liability insurance, so if they are working in village they are covered by village and vice versa. Already motion but we had to make some changes. Dale verified a new motion if other party agreement and meets

Ronda motion to proceed with intergovernmental agreement contract, Cathy second roll call all ayes

Noise ordinance: concerned brought up before and Champaign County has a good ordinance, if someone driving down road, they can not have music loud to hear 75 feet away. If your having a party noise can not go past property line. People playing loud music then they need to turn it down. Carol verified more of offensive music and current ordinance goes on decimals. Dale concern with new ordinance with hard to getting difference with legal definition with offensive music. Discussion with trustees, concern with a party with loud music. Cathy verified curfew with time of 10:00p. Jon not against changing ordinance. Cathy against as taking away some privacy and not good idea.

Clerk: solicitor situation that did involve Watseka sheriff and Regina contacted the agency and filed complaint. Did advise board that if they do in future present application for permit that should be denied due to issues continuing in Village.

Treasure: auditor Stan, gave all the sheets of paper for audit and funds. Need board to xfer $8000 to insurance fund. Gave statistical analysis with village have 3 sources of income. Verified corporate rate is at the max. no max on insurance rate. Stated our Village rates are too low and general fund not to subsidize water fund. Water fund should be run like a business. In minutes this year mention that new tank online slowly to not damage old pipe inground and concerns with leaks. That money in water fund will not go far if need new pipe. Other statistics with gallons, gallons thru plant about double what goes thru billing system. You do have back wash and hydrant flushing, but 56% says you have some leaks out there somewhere. Aprox 11 business or large water users and reduced total. Using November info like Webers and how used water more in spring vs winter/fall. Aprox 150 residential customers. 112 paid $60 or less in November for 2-month period and that is very low. Advise to raise base rate before and need to build up cash in water fund and have mentioned this over past years. Verified losing water somewhere and not going thru billing system but is going thru plant. Stan verified need to be replacing meters more. Tom advised of a loan forgiveness that you qualify for money they give you 75% and meter forgiveness down to 60% funding to replace meters and finance the reset for 1-2% over 20-year period and do without raising rates. How accurate are the meters? Was noticed Pump meter at tower was not working for time frame. Village losing a lot of water somewhere. Carol asked what other towns do on fire department. Stan said some charge a hydrant fee. Verified Loda has no meter on fire department. Stan verified that we have run system too tight. $10.00 a 1000 is too low. Books and everything look good. Tom will inquire for info on meter replacement program and loan forgiveness. Cathy asked what suggest for base rate idea. Stan verified doing a 10-15-year program. In Champaign is $65. Cathy verified we have seniors that can’t afford it. Tom state keep in mind the water fund is supposed to support itself and its not. Some point needs a formal water study and look at it and do rate increase over a gradual time frame. Just like other utilities must maintain system. Jon verified with resort to find leaks. Pat verified discrepancy that we don’t meter fire department. Stan verified if had done years ago and raised a little bit then wouldn’t be so bad now. Tom verified about a million dollar to replace 2 blocks. Carol was told once that someone said moving out of town due to high water rates. Tom and Stan verified doing planning now and look at replacing water mains. Joyce verified Webers and how many meters, verified with 4 but 3 are working. Also need meter the fire department if for anything but to see the usage. Myles has Stan email if need anything

Cathy pavilion, did not get pricing or bid, need to put back out for pricing

Old:

Ronda: only need to finish painting the inside at restroom. Paula help with painting outside. Need to fill in spots on mulch but waiting till cools off. Dave verified that tarps are inside maintenance shed for storing the extra.

Gene: complaints on vehicles on shot well. Carol verified on list

Lawyer: formal notice for Navarette have not complied with letters for vehicles. Grade school grounds and vehicles will follow up on letter. Coe property has a lien and Genzel both also were not paying taxes, bought by county tax purchasers. On Houston property we have order to demolish then will file lien and for close. Even though abandoned house but still paying tax. We have Houston and trailer on Jefferson.

New:

Carol have papers from insurance to fill out and send back

Treasure: CD at Federated bank for renewal $28750.78

Ronda motion to let cd roll over, Jon second, roll call all ayes

Pat: working in park kids kept asking why it is locked all the time. I think to put cameras in park and then they can have access to the bathrooms and to have volleyball net. Ronda said volleyball net yes, bathroom no. Gene stated if we leave bathrooms open would be tore up. Roy verified would be issue with stools plugged up but when not supervised then would be destroyed. Gene verified we paid a lot of money to have electric installed and would be destroyed and village liable. Pat verified a lot of parks are putting up security cameras. Carol verified would have to be monitored and someone go every day to open and close. Gene verified many only open when special event. Ronda verified other locations that are not open. Ronda verified that town small enough not far to go to home to use restroom. Jon verified we will open for events and call any trustee. Carol verified numbers listed outside on building to call. Security cameras cannot be in bathroom.

Gene motion to not open bathroom on daily basis at the park, only for special events or having events. Ronda second roll call Joyce: yes, Jon: yes, Ronda: yes, Cathy: yes, Pat: no, Gene: yes

Gene: Nicor work on Washington and moving truck and trailer incident that left deep mark in road.

Ronda: in ground pool is permanent structure and would that require building permit? Carol verified not listed on ordinance. Dale said not a structure per say. Typical for pool ordinance we used to have but the board decided to do away with it.

Bills: Jon motion to pay the bills. Joyce second roll call all ayes motion carried

Public:

LTTP and Good ole days: Paula, things are coming along and think of potential vendors for face painting or other. Want opinions, we don’t want to be any political or controversial and be a fun event. Governor banning the confederate band recently and it a big issue. Paula question on opinion not on the flag but what is opinion if one of the vendors wants to sell items with confederate flag, if it is an issue. Discussion that no issue and not a battle. Paula states state government to crack down on racist symbol and if we are going to have back lash. Discussion that would not be a problem and it is part of history. Public discussion that it is a public celebration and free country to sell what they want. Paula then resigned from co-chair from Loda good ole days and ask for $72.00 back. Paula will not support any issue with confederate flag. Should not be in public events. All papers and event information will be given to Ronda.

Dave and JR will paint no parking square around fire hydrant and around the dip for drain. Board agreed.

Ronda, concern with house next door has back door wide open, Brent purchased and will be tearing it down.

Cathy motion to adjourn Jon second.