Minutes of the Village of Forreston Board of Trustees Forreston Public Library Community Room Tuesday September 06, 2022, 7:00 PM

Village President Metzger calls the meeting to order at 7:05 PM. The Pledge of Allegiance is recited by all.

On Roll Call by President Metzger, Trustees Cotter, Norris, Buss, Kalina, and Busker are in attendance. President Metzger, Maintenance Supervisor Timm and Chief Thiel are also in attendance. From the Public Jane Koeller and Eileen Anderson.

The Minutes of the August 15, 2022, meeting are reviewed. Motion is made by Trustee Cotter to approve the minutes and is 2nd by Trustee Kalina. On Roll Call, Trustees Busker, Kalina, Buss, and Cotter all respond with Yeas. Trustee Norris abstains from the vote. Trustee Vinnedge is absent.

Public Comment – Eileen discussed the cat issue. She stated that the village got her in touch with a lady out of freeport that is working with a group of volunteers to try to address some of the cat issues. This group works with a vet in Freeport that does spaying and neutering for a discounted price. Eileen is assisting with 10 cats. She asked if there is anywhere in the budget to try to help this cause. She also suggested having some money jars in town to help with the cause.

Building Permits – 510 1st Ave– Fence – Front gate will come to the corner of the house and the fence will run to the back of the property across the back and back up to attach to the house. There will be 2 gates in the back and another on the other side of the house. Motion is made by Trustee Cotter to approve the permit and is 2nd by Trustee Kalina. On Roll Call, Trustees Cotter, Norris, Buss, Kalina, and Busker all respond with Yeas. Trustee Vinnedge is absent.

810 1st Ave – Solar panels – Panels will be on both sides of the house. Motion is made by Trustee Cotter to approve the permit and is 2nd by Trustee Busker. On Roll Call, Trustees Busker, Kalina, Buss, Norris, and Cotter all respond with Yeas. Trustee Vinnedge is absent.

Accounts Payable are reviewed by the Board. Motion is made by Trustee Norris to approve the Accounts Payable and is 2nd by Trustee Buss. On Roll Call, Trustees Buss, Kalina, Norris, Cotter, and Busker all respond with Yeas. Trustee Vinnedge is absent.

Committee Reports:

Streets & Alleys -Trustee Buss stated seal coating is done and they are still waiting to hear from helm for some repairs to do to allies for prepare for next year's seal coating.

Sewer and Water - Maintenance Supervisor Timm stated they are still working on the meters getting closer with it.

Finance - Trustee Norris stated she spoke to Scott about the part time salaries going over budget in park fund. She stated she feels someone on the board should be checking the payroll.

Buildings, Grounds, Parks, Zoning, Planning - Trustee Cotter stated he wanted to thank Scott and Kevin for cleaning up the parks after the bathroom incidents. He mentioned that the parking lot at Warnken Park looks great after the seal coating. He also stated that there is now an infant swing at Warnken Park as well. He stated they had a parks meeting to discuss the concessions for next year.

Ordinances - Nothing to report

New Building Committee as a whole – President Metzger stated we are waiting to hear back about a grant before moving forward. The grant process was discussed. Trustee Norris stated she is still looking for a new safe for the new building.

Clerk's Report - Nothing to report

Chief of Police Report – Officer Thiel stated they had a retail theft at Dollar General. They also had a domestic call. They had an animal at large call that they issued a ticket for. There was an arrest for driving on a suspended license. He talked about the protocol for when a disaster takes place.

Supt of Public Works Report – Maintenance Supervisor Timm stated they did dirt work and cold patched some allies and streets. Put meter in at Springbrook trailer park. They had an alternator go out on one of the trucks. They are going to flush hydrants September 19-23.

Village President's Report – President Metzger stated the tower could be here as early as Thursday. He discussed the RMA values for the New Village Hall.

New Business – BDD FABA – They are having a business open house. It is to get to know the businesses that we have in town. They are going to advertise and have refreshments, giveaways, and door prizes. Motion is made by Trustee Cotter

to approve the BDD and is 2nd by Trustee Busker. On Roll Call, Trustees Busker, Kalina, Buss, Norris, and Cotter all respond with Yeas. Trustee Vinnedge is absent.

Change of location for board meetings – This is to move the meetings to the New Village Hall. Same dates and times just new location. Motion is made by Trustee Norris to approve the meeting location change and is 2nd by Trustee Kalina. On Roll Call, Trustees Cotter, Norris, Buss, Kalina, and Busker all respond with Yeas. Trustee Vinnedge is absent. Trustee Buss asked about the parking lot lease. President Metzger has reached out to the owners.

Old Business – Old Village Hall – President Metzger will reach out to Rob to see what steps we have to take if we decide to sell the old building.

President Metzger will entertain a motion for adjournment. Motion is made by Trustee Norris and is 2nd by Trustee Kalina. All are in favor. The Meeting is adjourned at 8:19 PM.

Respectfully submitted by Clerk Shenberger