

**Village of North Henderson
Trustee Meeting
August 13, 2020
6:30 pm**

ROLL CALL

Present: Trustees Diane Brown, John Hoefer, Don McGraw, Charles Schultz, Karin Simkins
Also Present: President Carol Rogers. Treasurer Gary Whitcomb and Clerk Melody Hall
Visiting: Karen Tucker, Jim Tucker, Michelle Adams, Don Adams
Absent: Angie Chandlee

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Trustee Brown mentioned the tote that held all the balls at the Village Park is missing. President Rogers commented that it may have blown away that she needs to think of a way to hold it down.

President Rogers announced it was brought to her attention there is a tree limb down on the south west corner of the building. President Rogers stated Clerk Hall is working on getting the tree removed and checking for damages. President Rogers stated this is not on the agenda but needs taken care of so we do not have to take a vote but is every okay with it. All the trustees agreed it needed done,

MINUTES:

Trustee Hoefer made a motion to accept the minutes as read, 2nd by Trustee McGraw. All in favor?
Motion passed.

TREASURERS REPORT:

Trustee Brown made the motion to accept the treasurer report, 2nd by Trustee Simkins. All in favor?
Motion passed.

BILLS:

Trustee Simkins made the motion to pay the bills, 2nd by Trustee Brown. All in favor? Motion passed.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

President Rogers stated she moved the public comment before everything else because people were going to be here about the car issues and she felt it would be unfair to make any decisions before everyone had a chance to speak. President Rogers turned the floor over to visitor Karen Tucker.

Mrs. Tucker asked what President Rogers found out from the sheriff about enforcing the car ordinance. President Rogers answered she did not contact the sheriff because the sheriff told the board in the past that the ordinance are the villages to enforce, they will deliver them but that is all the Sheriff's office will do.

Mrs. Tucker asked if anyone found out who may buy vehicles and tow them away. President Rogers answered Eric Olson from Alexis. Trustee Brown asked if a title is needed. President Rogers answered he will take vehicles without one but would prefer to have the title. Visitor Jim Tucker commented a letter could be written to the EPA for contaminating the ground water.

Trustee Hoefer commented in the ordinance it states that a letter is sent out giving the owner 7 days to remove the vehicle and if nothing is done then the Village can come in and remove it. President Rogers stated no we cannot do that without using the legal system it is like if you have a renter and you wanted them to be removed from the house you must go through the legal system.

Mrs. Tucker asked if someone was to start a petition would that help. President Rogers answered it could be a start. Visitor Michelle Adams suggested maybe having a town wide meeting. President Rogers thought that was a good idea. Trustee Schultz suggested having the meeting before the next village meeting so we can go over all that was discussed. President Rogers suggested writing a letter to let everyone know about the town wide meeting and what it will be about. Trustee McGraw suggested listing some of the ordinances because there are so many.

After further discussion it was decided the Village Town Wide Meeting will be held Saturday August 29, 2020 at 1:00 pm at the village ball park.

President Rogers then turned the floor over to Visitor Michelle Adams. Ms. Adams asked when the fire hydrants will be flushed. President Rogers answered that it is being done on a volunteer basis so it will be done when they can do it.

OLD BUSINESS:

Ordinance 2013-07 Inoperative Vehicles

President Rogers stated we already cover this and decided what we are going to do.

Clean Up Days:

President Rogers asked Clerk Hall if she found anyone. Clerk Hall stated she tried a few off the internet, there was only 1 company that responded and that was Bubba Dup. Clerk Hall continued to state they only have roll offs. Clerk Hall commented she contacted Petersons again but they are not doing anything until spring.

Trustee Simkins made a motion to remove Clean up Days from the agenda and wait until next spring, 2nd by Trustee Schultz. All in favor? Motion Passed

BUDGET/APPROPRIATIONS/LEVY:

Treasurer Whitcomb explained what the Budget, Appropriations and Levy are and where all the figures came from.

Trustee McGraw made a motion to accept the Budget/Appropriations/Levy, 2nd by Trustee Schultz.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Trustee's Brown, Hoefer, Simkins, Schultz and McGraw. Motion Passed.

NEW BUSINESS:

Water Bills:

President Rogers stated there are 2 accounts that we are having problems with they have not paid their bill in 3 months, she was going to shut them off until she read article in the Galesburg paper. The paper stated it is unethical to turn people's water off due to the Covid because they have no way to wash their hands or shower so they will not be shutting water off at this time President Rogers stated the other villages that she spoke to were going to shut their customers off so they will not get any further behind. President Rogers stated she is brining this before the board to get their opinion.

Trustee Simkins commented they could at least make the attempt to pay part of it and the rest later. President Rogers stated she told them both of them if needed to, call her or Clerk Hall and try to get on a payment plan, but they did not. Trustee Charles Schultz suggests President Rogers go over with the shut off notice and if she does not pay at least part of it shut it off. The board agreed with Trustee Schultz so President Rogers was going to do as suggested.

Recycling Bins:

President Rogers stated the area around the recycling bins is a disaster, someone has been putting household trash in and around the bins, she has taken some home, put in her trash pickup and will try to get more the following week. President Rogers commented Clerk Hall has spoke to the Recycling Company and was told if this continues they will discontinue their services.

President Rogers suggested getting cameras, maybe then we could see who is doing it. Trustee Hoefer suggested getting dummy cameras nobody would know the difference, Trustee Simkins suggested a sign stating what is recyclable. Clerk Hall stated when she spoke to the Recycling Company she asked about the sign because they were supposed to be making some last year, the secretary passed he to the voice mail of the one in charge, she left a message but no return call.

President Rogers stated in the packets there is a letter we want to send out with the board's approval since it is signed from the board. President Rogers commented it also has a list of all that can be recycled and things that cannot be. The board agreed to send out the letter.

Trustee Simkins made a motion to adjourn the meeting 2nd by Trustee McGraw.

The Village of North Henderson Trustee Meeting for August 13, 2020 was adjourned at 7:40 pm with the next meeting being September 10, 2020 at 6:30pm at the Floral Hall.

Melody Hall
Village Clerk

Carol Rogers
Village President