

**Village of North Henderson
Trustee Meeting
June 8, 2023
6:30pm at Floral Hall**

The Village of North Henderson Trustee Meeting for June 8 2023 was called to order by President Carol Rogers at 6:30pm with a roll call.

ROLL CALL

Present: Trustee Michelle Adams, Diane Brown, Cheryl Stevens and Karin Simkins
Also Present: President Carol Rogers, Treasurer Gary Whitcomb and Clerk Melody Hall
Visiting Don Adams

Absent; Angie Chandlee

Diane Brown, Karin Simkins and Christian Spahr (who took over Trustee Adams seat) took the Oath of Office.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Clerk Hall announced while out reading the meters there were several homes that set out items for the Town Wide Clean Up day.

MINUTES:

Trustee Brown made the motion to accept the minutes, 2nd by Trustee Stevens. All in favor, motion carried.

TREASURER REPORT:

Trustee Brown made a motion to accept the treasurer's report, 2nd by Trustee Simkins. All in favor, motion carried

BILLS:

President Rogers stated the bill to Luke Weber Trucking in the amount of \$2800.00 was for filling the water tank while the pump was being replaced.

Trustee Brown made a motion to pay the bills, 2nd by Trustee Stevens. All in favor, motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Visitor Michelle Adams asked if the village has found anyone to mow Barton's property. President Rogers answered they board was going to ask Dan Cheline would come mow it or have Ty's Yard Service to come and spray it. Visitor Adams also commented the corner by Robert Nelsons, the stop sign is missing and it is not safe without the sign. President Rogers stated she would check with Ron Brown and see if he has any stop signs and see if he would put one out.

OLD BUSINESS

Chicken Ordinance:

President Rogers informed the board in their packets was a copy of the Chicken Ordinance to look it over and see if there was anything to remove or add. President Rogers stated she took all the boards

ideas from the last meeting and put them in. President Rogers continued to state after they look it over and if there is no additions, corrections or questions then all she would need is a motion.

Trustee Stevens made a motion to accept the Ordinance, 2nd by Trustee Simkins. Roll Call vote was taken

ROLL CALL

Ayes: Trustees Simkins, Stevens and Spahr

Abstain: Trustee Brown

Absent: Trustee Chandlee

President Rogers stated the "Ayes" have the majority motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Budget/ Apportions

President Rogers stated this month we will go over the budget and make any changes the Treasurer Whitcomb will make the changes then next month we will vote on it. President Rogers turned the floor over to Treasurer Whitcomb to give his suggestions which follow.

General Fund

1. #553 Printing & Publishing (due to 150th celebration) short \$184.99. Adding \$200.00 from #533 Legal/Professional. Making #533 \$1,200.00 and # 553 \$800.00.
2. #5764 Elec. Exp. STREET LIGHTS short \$303.82. Adding \$350.00 from #5762 Elec. Ecp Park 1 350 Main. Making #5762 \$550.00 and #5764 2,850.00
3. #595 Village mowing short \$2390.00. Adding from #01-700 Interfund Transfers Out \$2500.00. Making # 01-700 \$17500.00 and # 595 9800.00

Water Fund

1. #576 Water Dept Electricity 410 Main short \$3,083.10. Adding from #592 Water system improvements \$4,000.00. Making #592 \$38,600.00 and # 5786 \$9,000.00
2. # 615 Chemicals Water Fund short \$690.00. Adding from #592 Water system improvements \$1000.00. Making # 592 38,500.00 and # 615 2,000.00

President Rogers commented in the water fund she feels the money should not be transferred from the water system improvements because there will be improvements that are needed on the water tank and the funds may be needed for that. Treasurer Whitcomb stated that is the only place where there are enough funds to move from and the water tank improvements hopefully not be that large of a cost. President Rogers then ask Treasurer Whitcomb where the wages are included. Treasurer Whitcomb answered from General Fund #425 Payroll and they included everyone. President Rogers stated with minimum wages going up to \$14.00 an hour in January and as of right now Clerk Hall is making \$13.00 an hour; the board may have to consider raising her pay. President Rogers stated at 12 hours a week (even though she works more than that) she is getting \$600.00 a month and with the raise to \$14.00 an hour it would be \$624.00 a month. It was not on the agenda but should be discussed at some point and wanted to make sure it was in the budget.

President Rogers stated if the board agrees with the recommendations then Treasurer Whitcomb will finalize everything and the board will vote on it next month. The board agreed to the changes.

Central Square Renewal

President Rogers stated this is the company that our billing program is with and is in the amount of \$1691.64. She then asked Treasurer Whitcomb if this was what the village paid last year. After checking he answered last year it cost \$1537.84. President Rogers asked Clerk Hall if they are the one's she has had problems with. Clerk Hall answered yes, but she believes it has been resolved. It may still take time to get a call back but as long as she directs her help question to Jennifer she will have the help sooner. Clerk Hall stated she has checked around and has not found any other place where they can be sure it would work with the Mueller meters.

Trustee Brown made the motion to renew with Central Square, 2nd by Trustee Stevens. All in favor, motion carried.

Illinois Rural Water Assoc. Renewal (IRWA)

President Rogers stated IRWA membership is due it is in the amount of \$320.28. They are the ones who will come out and help if the village believes it has a leak. They also help if Clerk Hall has questions regarding items in a FOIA. There are various items they can help with.

Trustee Brown made the motion to renew IRWA, 2nd by Trustee Simkins. All in favor, motion carried.

Immense Impact Renewal

President Rogers stated this is for the website in the amount of \$457.00. The website is what we now use for the alerts such as the boil orders. Also another nice thing with the website is we can post a lot of information on it and that information cannot be FOIAed.

Trustee Simkins made the motion to renew Immense Impact, 2nd by Trustee Brown. All in favor, motion carried.

Park

President Rogers stated she had a call from Jim from Lawn Envy. Jim stated while mowing the park he had notice some small holes and they are beginning to spread. President Rogers stated she spoke to Ty from Ty's Lawn Service, he went out looked it over and stated they were ground squirrels. President Rogers stated he can treat it by putting poison down the holes but it is deadly to children if they eat it. Also there would be a lot of dead ground squirrels around in the park. It would be \$60.00 a treatment and would take more than one treatment. Trustee Spahr suggested Bethal's Wildlife. President Rogers stated she would check but when she had him out for a skunk he was expensive. President Rogers stated she asked Ron if he could put a fire hose down there and he said it would run them out but they would just go elsewhere. At this point that would be the best idea

President Rogers informed the board she had a text message from the lady in charge of United Recreation Council asking what the village was going to do with the trash at the ball park. President Rogers reminder her that they are responsible for their trash and the understanding was they were going to rent a dumpster like they did last year. Trustee Brown stated they need to take care of their trash since they are not paying to use the ball park and are not even having half their games here.

Trustee Brown asked the board if they would want her to look into some new raised flower beds. The ones the village has now are falling apart. President Rogers stated they have been repaired several times. Trustee Brown was going to look for them and price them for next year.

Water Tower:

President Rogers explained the problem with water was the main pump that is below ground had been running slow and could not keep up with the water in the tower. Bob Shull had Tony's come out to look at it and the pump was bad so they needed to replace it. When replacing the pump they found some of the pipes were rotting. President Rogers asked why the pipes would be rotting. Bob answered he isn't sure because they are not that old. Trustee Brown asked what type of pipes are they? President Rogers answered they are steel pipes and that is why they cannot understand why they were rotting already, they should have lasted longer. President Rogers thought this may be were some of the water loss was but Bob answered no, the ground wasn't wet. Bob then showed President Rogers a picture of a leak in the water tower. He let her know when they brought water in and filled the water tower water began to squirt out of the area. President Rogers stated it was in a seam by where the ladder is. She spoke to the painters and it can be repaired when they come to paint the tower. Bob thinks since there is insurance on the water house that it all should be covered. President Rogers stated we will check.

National Night Out.

President Rogers stated Tuesday August 1, 2023 is National Night Out and asked the board if they wanted to do anything special that night. Trustee Simkins stated instead of on a Tuesday it would be better to have something on a weekend. President Rogers stated something could be done at the park on the Saturday before or after the first. Treasurer Whitcomb commented in Galesburg they have like a block party. President Rogers commented if it was done on Saturday August 5th that would be just before school started back up and it could be called The Community Block Party. With the mentioning of other things going on that Saturday it was suggested having it on Saturday July 29th. President Rogers suggested having games or ice cream something like that. Everyone could think about it and plans can be finalized at the July meeting. A time was discussed and it was decided to have it in the late afternoon, early evening. It was decided to have the Community Block Party on Saturday July 29, 2023 from 4pm to 6pm. If people want to stay longer they can.

2023-2024 Meeting Schedule

President Rogers stated the board needs to approve the schedule for next year if everything is okay on it.

Trustee Simkins made a motion to approve the Schedule, 2nd by Trustee Stevens. All in favor motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

President Rogers stated if there is no other business she would entertain a motion to adjourn

Trustee Brown made a motion to adjourn, 2nd by Trustee Spahr. All in favor motion carried.

The Village of North Henderson Trustee Meeting for June 8 2023 adjourned at 7:51pm with the next meeting being July 13, 2023 6:30pm at the Floral Hall.

Melody Hall
Village Clerk

Carol Rogers
Village President