

**Village of North Henderson
Trustee Meeting
June 9, 2022
6:30 pm at Floral Hall**

The Village of North Henderson was called to order by President Carol Rogers at 6:30 pm

Michelle Adams read the oath for trustee replacing Trustee John Hoefer.

ROLL CALL

Present: Trustee's Michelle Adams, Diane Brown, and Karin Simkins

Also Present: President Carol Rogers, Treasurer Gary Whitcomb, and Clerk Melody Hall

Visiting: Don Adams, Vickie McMullin, Christian Spar and Bob Shull

Absent: Trustees Angie Chandlee, Cheryl Stevens and Charles Schultz

President Rogers stated we have a quorum we will precede.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Trustee Simkins announced she would like to thank whoever mowed Barton's yard. Clerk Hall announced the new meters should be ready to ship July 15th and 16th.

MINUTES

May 12, 2022

Correction: Trustee Brown stated on page one under Roll Call, Visitors, Marcia Ireland should be Greenman

Trustee Brown made a motion to accept the minutes with the correction, 2nd by Trustee Simkins. All in Favor, motion carried

May 16, 2022 Special Meeting

Correction: Trustee Adams stated on page two under New Water Service Hookup again Marcia Ireland should be Greenman

Trustee Brown made a motion to accept the minutes with the correction, 2nd by Trustee Simkins. All in favor, motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT

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

BILLS

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

OLD BUSINESS

150th Anniversary Celebration

President Rogers stated there have been several ideas discussed, and then asked visitor Vickie McMullin if she knew of any ideas that were discussed. Visitor McMullin stated she has reached out to a friend, she can do lemon shakeups and sandwiches such as pulled pork.

Trustee Adams asked if the board has set an official date because she was just told Floral Hall has been booked for July 9th. President Rogers stated July 9th is only a month away and that does not leave very much time to get everything planned, organized and advertised. Trustee Adams stated Floral Hall has a meeting on Monday June 13th they will be discussing a fund raiser for either August 6th or 27th and will be planning a meal, possibly a bags tournament, ,crafts and bake sale. Trustee Adams suggested combining the two events. The board thought that was a good idea.

President Rogers stated Trustee Chandlee called People's for an estimate on some rentals the prices are for the day weather it is used for a few hours or all day.

Dunk Tank \$198.00
15x15 Bouncy House \$176.00
Snow Cone Machine \$77.00
Cotton Candy Machine \$77.00

President Rogers stated the Methodist church has a dunk tank that could be used but it needs hooked up to a hose and the park does not have water. Trustee Brown stated she might be able to get a donation for the bounce house.

Trustee Adams stated with all being planned it may be a good idea to use the Floral Hall, Park and Ball Diamond. It was decided to wait a see when Floral Hall was going to have their fund raiser and do both at the same time. When a date was decided the committee will get together, make final plans and bring it to the board at the next meeting.

Mercer County Better Together (MCBT) Donation

President Rogers stated Kyle from Mercer County Better Together has sent out a letter about a donation for the Challenge Grant. President Rogers continued to state the Looser Flake Foundation gives Mercer County a grant, this year it was \$25,000.00 and then MCBT needs to match or pay part of the grant that is why they are asking for a donation. President Rogers explained the first page tells what MCBT did for North Henderson; they did the paperwork for the \$17,500.00 grant for the new park equipment, helped get over 80 new books to kids in North Henderson and Kyle came out and helped Clerk Hall an ARPA report. The second page explains how MCBT has helped Mercer County, the main one is helping to bring broadband throughout the Mercer County area so kids that do not have access to the internet will have free access.

Trustee Brown made a motion to donate \$250.00 to MCBT, 2en by Trustee Simkins. All in favor, motion carried

Water Tank Repair

President Rogers passed around a copy of the pictures Bob Shull has taken of the water tank. President Rogers stated Clerk Hall called Putnam County Painting for an estimate on painting the water tank; she turned the floor over to Clerk Hall. Clerk Hall stated they quoted her \$4800.00 to do the work. Clerk Hall continued to state the \$2400.00 from Aqua Store is just to come out and look at the tank then give us an estimate and they are recommending the inside to be looked at. Clerk Hall stated Bob Shull is here to give his opinion and answer any questions. Bob stated the EPA has suggested the rust to be taken care of, the outside is glass and something has gone through the glass to get to the metal. It has to be a

special paint so it won't wear off. He suggested not using Aqua Store to try and find someone locally that may be able to do it. Bob stated the tank should be drained every 20 to 30 years and inspected unless it has been compromised. Visitor Christian Spar suggested calling Thompson Brothers Painting nearby Roseville. It was decided to have someone else come and give an estimate.

NEW BUSINESS

Pace Contract

President Rogers stated this is the company who test our water samples and such. She asked Bob if the Guard Dog Management fee was really necessary. Bob answered yes because it helps with the testing, getting letters out and a lot of other things. President Rogers stated the total for the year will be \$1184.50

Trustee Brown made a motion to renew the Pace Contract, 2nd by Trustee Simkins.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Trustee Adams, Brown and Simkins

Nays: None

Absent: Trustee's Chandlee, Schultz and Stevens

Motion Carried

Budget, Appropriations and Levy

President Rogers turned the floor over to Treasurer Whitcomb to give his recommendations on any changes to the budget. His recommendations were as follows:

General Fund

1. #461 Social Security short by \$193.59. Adding \$300.00 from #533 Legal/ Professional making #461 \$2200.00 and # 533 \$1400.00
2. Under Maintenance Services short \$2450.00 due to the extra trees that were cut down, leave it the same at \$1400.00
3. #5712 Village Building 203 South short \$737.98. Adding \$800.00 from #810 Land making #5712 \$1800.00 and #810 \$2200.00
4. #621 Park 1 350 Main short \$487.77. Adding \$500.00 from #810 Land. Making #621 \$1000.00 and # 810 \$1700.00
5. #596 Fire Extinguisher Service short \$45.50. Adding \$50.00 from Land. Making #596 \$150.00 and #810 Land \$1650.00
6. #830 Equipment short \$4874.00 due to the village's part of the play ground grant. Since it was a onetime cost to leave it the same

Water Fund

1. #515 Maintenance Water System short \$39977.42. Adding \$10,500.00 from # 532 Engineering Fees. Making #515 \$28000.00 and #532 \$15000.00
2. #615 Chemicals Water Fund short \$54.00. Adding \$200.00 from # 651 Office Supplies Water Fund. Making #615 \$1000.00 and #651 \$700.00

The board agreed to Treasurer Whitcomb's suggestions so the budget will be finalized at the July meeting.

July 4th Fireworks Ordinance

President Rogers stated she had Clerk Hall look into this because last July 4th there was a problem at the ball diamond, someone letting fireworks off in the outfield, it burned the grass and they left wires which got caught in the mower. When approached she was told they had permission. When asked if it was from the board he said no. She ended up getting the license plate number and called Mercer County. President Rogers stated it was 12:30 at night. After a discussion it was decided No fireworks allowed on the village properties and not after 11 pm.

Trustee Brown made a motion to have the fireworks ordinance with the changes, 2nd by Trustee Adams

Roll Call Vote

Ayes: Trustees Adams, Brown and Simkins

Nays: None

Absent: Trustees Chandlee, Stevens and Schultz

Motion carried

Dog and Noise Ordinance

President Rogers commented May 15th was the first really nice day for people to be outside and she received so many complaints about dog's constantly barking. She was going to send a letter out with a copy of the ordinance but neither the dog ordinance nor the noise ordinance has anything in it about excessive barking. The dog ordinance has nothing but the noise ordinance states "Loud and Unnecessary Noise Prohibited". President Rogers read the following passage: "creation of unreasonably loud, disturbing and unnecessary noise in the village is prohibited." She feels that the excessive barking could fall under that category. President Rogers stated the dog ordinance could be revised to state excessive barking or she could send out a copy of the noise ordinance with that passage highlighted. It was decided President Rogers would send a letter with the noise ordinance and highlight the passage.

Website Renewal

President Rogers turned the floor over to Clerk Hall. Clerk Hall stated Immense Impact is where the website "villageofnorthhenderson.myruralwater.com" is through. Clerk Hall continued to state the website helps with the FOIA's by having requested information posted on it. Clerk Hall stated it set up for Alerts when needed instead of using the "All Call" which cost the village money each time it is used. The alerts are done through text and emails as long as she has everyone's information. She can also use it to announce winners of the decorating contest.

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

Illinois Rural Water (IRWA) Renewal

President Rogers stated it is time to renew our membership with Illinois Rural Water. They are the ones who come out if we have a leak and help to locate it if we cannot find it. They came out and helped to try and find the difference in the usage report that Bob has and the billed report Clerk Hall runs. President Rogers stated the village has been member for years.

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

Cattle Show

President Rogers stated she spoke to Scott Riden from United's Ag Department and the cattle show will be the last Saturday of June, June 25th they are not having a concession stand but thought if the village would like to serve doughnuts and coffee they could keep the profits.

Park

President Rogers commented when looking for a spot for the new park equipment they overlooked the family next to the park has a dog pen next to the spot. President Rogers stated the homeowner called and was worried a child may get bit because they come over and stick their hands in the fence to pet the animals. The dog has never bitten anyone. President Rogers suggested putting up a fence panel to keep them from seeing the animals but it won't keep the kids from going around it. The homeowner has put up signs. President Rogers is going to measure and price fencing.

Unkempt Properties

President Rogers stated the problem is slowly getting taken care of the homeowners have been working on the problem. Trustee Adams stated she could not safely back out of her dad's driveway due to the weeds in the ditch at the house on Main Street. Trustee Brown asked if the village had someone mow the yard would they pay or not. President Rogers answered the village could hire someone to cut the grass for \$125.00 an hour and it would be put on the homeowners bill. President Rogers commented she may get some round up and spray the weeds. It was decided to have President Rogers write a letter with a copy of the ordinance and see what happens from there.

June 2022 – June 2023 Meeting Schedule

President Rogers suggested moving the July date because it's hard to get enough trustees' for a quorum with the fairs going on.

Trustee Adams made a motion to accept the Schedule as presented, 2nd by Trustee Brown. All in favor motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Visitor Christian Spar asked the board for permission to have a stop sign up on his street which used to be Railroad Street to help Purlee's trucks may slow down when coming from that way. The board did not see a problem with him doing it.

Visitor Spar suggested having anyone that has an ATV, four wheeler etc register with the village in case they do damage to someone's yard or village property. President Rogers thought it was a good idea and possibly charging a wheel tax. She had it placed on the agenda for July.

Visitor Vicki McMullin had suggestions for the 150th Celebration such as face painting, arts & crafts even possibly a kiddy parade. President Rogers suggested having the committee get together make the plans and finalize them at the next meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

President Rogers stated with no other business or public comment she would entertain a motion to adjourn.

Trustee Simkins made a motion to adjourn, 2nd by Trustee Adams. All in favor motion carried.

The Village of North Henderson Trustee Meeting for June 9 2022 adjourned at 8:27pm with the next meeting scheduled for July 14, 2022 at 6:30 pm at the Floral Hall

Melody Hall
Village Clerk

Carol Rogers
Village President

Village Seal