

**Village of North Henderson
Trustees Meeting
May 9, 2019 6:30 pm**

The Village of North Henderson Trustees Meeting for May 9, 2019 was called to order by President Carol Rogers at 6:30 pm.

ROLL CALL:

Present: Trustee's Angie Chandlee, Don McGraw and Karin Simkins

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

Visiting: Jim and Karen Tucker, Don Adams, Michelle Adams and Sheriff Dusty Terrill

Absent: Trustee's John Hoefer, Tiffany Leffler and Vanessa Olson

President Rogers stated we have a quorum so the meeting will proceed

ANNOUNCEMENTS;

Clerk Hall announced she received an email from Illinois Municipal League offering a class on Municipal Budgeting. Clerk Hall stated it covers items such as the Open Meetings Act, Freedom of Information Act, Conflict of Interest and Financial Reporting Requirements. Clerk Hall continued to state it is being offered to newly elected individual and as a refresher class, the closest place is Knox College on June 14th from 9:30 to 4:30. Clerk Hall stated it is \$75.00 which includes the class, a copy of the 2019 Newly Elected Handbook, the Illinois Municipal League Handbook and Lunch. Clerk Hall stated she will post the information on the board. President Rogers stated she attended the class after she was elected and it was very informative and she learned a lot. President Rogers also stated the Village has it in the budget for training so if anyone wanted to attend the Village will reimburse them for the cost.

MINUTES:

President Rogers stated on the 1st page she found some typo's first Trustee Hoefer's name was spelt wrong and just a little further down it says Present instead of President.

Trustee Simkins made the motion to accept the minutes with the corrections. 2nd by Trustee McGraw

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Trustees Chandlee, McGraw, and Simkins. Motion Passed

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Trustee Chandlee made the motion to accept the Treasurer's Report, 2nd by Trustee McGraw

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Trustee's Simkins, McGraw and Chandlee. Motion Passed

BILLS:

President Rogers asked Treasurer Whitcomb on the bills for Tony's Plumbing what are they for Treasurer Whitcomb stated they are for the leak at Lefflers and for the low voltage on a pump at the water house.

Trustee Simkins made the motion to pay the bills. 2nd by Trustee McGraw

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Trustee Chandlee, McGraw and Simkins. Motion Passed

SPEAKER SHERRIFF DUSTY TERRILL:

President Rogers introduced and congratulated Sherriff Terrill on his win. President Rogers also stated the board member who asked to have Mr. Terrill come to a meeting was not present but if Mr. Terrill would like to speak and let everyone know what changes have been done and what he is planning for the future that would be great.

Mr. Terrill state that he has been moving things around to where, hopefully, everyone has see a little bit more of patrols in the community. Mr. Terrill explained how the finical crisis has impacted the Sheriff's Department due to the fact they have to handle more calls, but he has tried to move things to where there are equal deputies during the day, night and weekends.

Mr. Terrill commented there is one thing that he urges all the communities he has spoken with and that is to have good communication. Mr. Terrill stated if there is a problem to please let him know because if he doesn't know about something it cannot be dealt with. Mr. Terrill stated if it even has to do with the Sheriff's office to contact him so he can resolve the problem.

Trustee Chandlee stated one concern is for more police presence because of the speeding on the main roads back and forth just for short visit on the back roads. Mr. Terrill asked if there are any times that are worse than others, also if it was more weekdays, weekends or both. Trustee Simkins stated evenings are the worse. Trustee Chandlee stated both during the week and on the weekends.

President Rogers commented one item the person who requested to have Mr. Terrill come is about the Village Ordinances and if the Sherriff's Office could help to enforce them because the village has no way to enforce them. Mr. Terrill stated it is his understanding that the Sherriff's Office can write citations for the violations but they cannot enforce them if they were to go to court, that would be up to the village attorney. President Rogers commented it was her understanding that the village was to write the fine and the sheriffs' office would deliver the fines. Mr. Terrill stated that the village can write the fines and also deliver them; all the village would need is proof of service such as certified mail. Mr. Terrill continued to state the village could do hand to hand as long as there is something for the resident to sign and have the date and time included.

Trustee Chandlee asked if the village wanted the sheriff's department to deliver the fines would there need to be an agreement. Mr. Terrill answered there are some villages that have a contract but at this time he does not have enough man power cover the agreement. Mr. Terrill stated it generally involves an off duty officer and they have very little time off so they want to spend it with their families.

With no other questions Mr. Terrill stated that if the person who was not here would like him back to contact his office and he will see when he can return.

OLD BUSINESS:

Fence at the Ball Park:

President Rogers stated she had Clerk Hall put an ad in the Don's Market News for bids on the fence hoping to get some. Clerk Hall stated she has had no bid come in, but the Village did receive a check from the insurance company for \$7800.00 that is less the \$500.00 deductible. Clerk Hall continued to state this includes the roof at the concession stand. Clerk Hall also stated that the adjuster stated if once we find someone to do the work, if the cost is more than what the insurance allowed to contact them and they will make up the difference.

NEW BUSINESS:

Family Night:

Trustee Chandlee stated she wanted family night on the agenda so the board could get ideas of dates, she did not want it to get to be fall again and too late to do anything. President Rogers stated she agreed the village needed to do it again because it was a fun time for everyone. Trustee Chandlee suggested having it is a chili and movie night like the last time. President Rogers suggested tabling Family Night until the next meeting so everyone could have time to think of dates and what they wanted to do.

Trustee Chandlee made the motion to table Family Night to get more ideas/dates. 2nd by Trustee McGraw.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Trustees Simkins, McGraw and Chandlee Motion Passed

Electric at Village Park/ Light Pole by Basketball Court

President Rogers stated last year the village started checking into the electric at the village park but tabled it until after winter. President Rogers commented the village does need to do something with the electric box because right now it is unsafe. President Rogers stated the light pole by the basketball court could also be discussed because it goes along with the electric. President Rogers stated Mr. Morales asked her after the last meeting if a pole could be put in because his kids play basketball a lot in the evenings. President Rogers commented she believes if the light on the end of the pavilion worked it may give enough light to where a pole would not be needed. Trustee Chandlee asked if the electric box was why the light didn't work. President Rogers answered she isn't sure because the outlets do not work and she assumes they are all connected.

President Rogers stated last year they had Tony's give an estimate and it was extremely high. Clerk Hall stated the estimate was \$3500.00 to replace the box, run conduit, run new wire and replace outlets. Trustee Chandlee asked if Tony's was the only one we could use. President Rogers answered they are the ones we started with. Trustee Chandlee suggested getting other bids and suggested Ingle Electric from Williamsfield. President Rogers stated the light pole can be discussed after the electric is taken care of.

Nova Contract:

President Rogers stated Nova sent them a copy of the contract the village has with them that it is time to renew the contract. President Rogers continued to state the contract is a 25 year agreement to where Nova can do service in the village or have new lines in exchange the Nova will supply free cable to educational buildings and the fire department for free. Trustee Chandlee asked if the contract has to be

for 25 years. President Rogers answered it looks as though that is what they are wanting. President Rogers stated she has been asked what other companies may offer and she spoke to the gentleman from New Windsor Telephone and he stated no other company will put anything in town because they have a "No Competition" clause. President Rogers commented that Mercer County Better Together is working on something to where villages will have free Wi-Fi so kids can be able to get their home work done.

Trustee Chandlee made a motion to renew the Nova contract. 2nd by Trustee McGraw

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Trustees Simkins, Chandlee and McGraw Motion Passed

DISCUSSION ON ORDINANCES

Ordinance ~~2~~2013-8 Junkyard

President Rogers stated she spoke to Rod Leffler and told him the village appreciates that he is cleaning up his recycle area but she is still getting complaints. Mr. Leffler commented its funny how the ones complaining are the ones who give him their junk. President Rogers stated the village could send him a letter but other than that she is not sure what could be done.

Trustee Sinkins commented in the letter to ask him about the fence he was talking about building. President Rogers stated he never mentioned a fence. Trustee Chandlee stated the ordinance does not state if a fence would make it okay. President Rogers asked if something about a fence needed to be added to the ordinance. Trustee Chandlee answered she feels it's a safety issue because someone could get hurt if anything was to fall and a fence would also help with the visual issue. Trustee McGraw asked how high the fence would be, because if things were stacked above the fence it can make matters twice as bad. Clerk Hall stated she could see what Alexi s has a far as a junk ordinance and that she will get a copy.

Ordinance 2016-5 Dog

President Rogers stated she was unsure why the Dog Ordinance was asked to be put on the agenda. Trustee Chandlee commented maybe it was more for a reminder to the residence and not the board. Clerk Hall stated Trustee Hoefer wanted the ordinance put on the agenda. President Rogers stated Trustee Hoefer has a dog in his neighborhood and she told him to call and make a complaint to Mercer County Animal Control and she included information in the Spring Letter about the Dog Ordinance.

Ordinance 2018-03 Burn

Clerk Hall stated Trustee Hoefer wanted the Burn Ordinance on the agenda but she did not know why. President Rogers commented Mr. Morales also wanted it on the agenda but she thinks he just wanted to know what days burning is allowed. President Rogers stated she also included that in the letter.

Ordinance 1978-3 Animal

President Rogers stated there were questions as to what constitutes as a farm animal and what is not considered a farm animal. President Rogers commented she has had 5 people at different times ask if

they could raise chickens and that was before there were ducks in town, people are interested in it. President Rogers stated she wanted to get some Pro's and Con's on having chickens. Various people gave numerous pros and cons such as eggs, smell, noise, 4H project, coons, etc. President Rogers then asked for some discussion items. Again various items were mentioned such as: How many will be allowed, whose chickens are they if they get in the road, how to keep them out of the neighbor's yard and do other towns have them. President Rogers stated these are very good points, everyone think about this and it can be discussed further at the next meeting.

PUBLIC COMENT:

Visitor Jim Tucker commented about the Nova contract they have an exclusive clause where no one else can come in and give their services. President Rogers stated that is what she was told from New Windsor Telephone they all have the no competition clause between themselves to where as long as Nova is in town they will not come in for anything. Mrs. Tucker commented it isn't really fair for them to have that because competition is good for the economy. President Rogers agreed.

ADJOURNMENT

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

The Village of North Henderson Trustees Meeting for May 9, 2019 was adjourned at 7:47 pm with the next meeting set for 6:30 pm on June 13, 2019.

Melody Hall
Village Clerk

Carol Rogers
Village President

