

**Village of North Henderson
Trustee Meeting
November 9, 2023
6:30pm at Floral Hall**

The Village of North Henderson Trustee meeting for November 9, 2023 was called to order by President Rogers at 6:30pm with a roll call.

ROLL CALL

Present: Trustee's Diane Brown, Karin Simkins and Cheryl Stevens

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

Visiting: Jim Tucker

Absent: Trustee's Angie Chandlee and Christian Spahr

President Rogers stated we have a quorum we will proceed

ANNOUNCEMENTS

President Rogers announced Jim Modglin removed the batting cage at the softball field. He did a great job cleaning up and filling in the holes. There are a couple poles there but they have to do with the electrical.

MINUTES

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

TREASURER'S REPORT

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

BILLS

Treasurer Whitcomb stated he has one bill to add, he just received it. It is for Lawn Envy in the amount of \$1005.00. President Rogers stated the bills for Warren County Highway Department as well as Costello's, the board will be discussing them later.

Trustee Simkins made a motion to pay the bills with the addition of Lawn Envy and waiting on Warren County Highway and Costello's depending on the discussion, 2nd by Trustee Brown. All in favor, motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

Ty's Tree & Lawn Service

President Rogers stated Trustee Chandlee wanted to hold off in renewing the contract with Ty's until we could find out if he had sprayed last month. President Rogers continued to state she did speak with him and yes he did spray a second time, with the dry weather then all the rain the weeds returned. If they had not been sprayed they would have come back twice as bad. President Rogers commented if the board was to put Ty's on hold it would cost them more. If the bill is paid by December 31st it would cost \$470.25 and if not prepaid it will cost \$495.00.

Trustee Stevens made a motion to renew Ty's Tree & Lawn Service, 2nd by Trustee Simkins. All in favor, motion carried.

Warren County Highway Department

President Rogers stated Trustee Spahr had concerns last month about holes that were not filled in when the streets were done. He stated there were at least eight of them and that is why the bill was not paid last month. President Rogers commented she drove around and could not find eight of them; she did see one in front of Trustee Spahr's house. President Rogers had Clerk Hall look up the contract and it shows that the village was responsible for filling in the holes not Warren County. President Rogers stated she also spoke to Ron Brown and he informed her the payment should have not be held because of the contract so it must be paid.

Trustee Simkins made a motion to pay Warren County Highway Department, 2nd by Trustee Brown. All in favor, motion carried.

Water Tank/ Costello's

President Rogers stated she spoke to Michael Costello. He explained with the type of paint they used on the water tank contains rubber so the spots cannot be sanded and redone. President Rogers continued to state she then spoke to Jim Costello. She explained to him how the board was dissatisfied with the work; the holes that were filled were not sanded before painting leaving rough marks. Mr. Costello asked what would be a good price to make the board happy. President Rogers suggested \$1000.00 off and Mr. Costello agreed. The original quoted price was \$5500.00, the village paid a \$1000.00 deposit, then the additional discount of \$1000.00 makes the total due \$3500.00. President Rogers stated Mr. Costello also stated they would be picking up the truck when picking up the check.

Trustee Brown made a motion to pay Costello's the \$3500.00, 2nd by Trustee Simkins. All in favor, motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Water Bills

President Rogers stated Trustee Spahr wanted to talk about the water bills and possibly how the board could reduce the cost; he feels they are getting to high. President Rogers continued to state he would like to see some of the extras removed. President Rogers commented this should be tabled until next month when Trustee Spahr is able to be at the meeting. President Rogers informed the board in each of their packets is a copy of the water ordinance. It explains what each charge is for, the cost of each and how they are figured. Treasurer Whitcomb pointed out the roof charge is for the roof of the water tower not the water house. President Rogers asked Clerk Hall if she put that in there the last time the ordinance was revised. Clerk Hall answered no, the only thing that was changed from the original was the cost of the fixed rate and the cost of the late fee.

The matter was tabled until the November meeting

Christmas Activities

President Rogers stated last year all the village did was the lighting contest and then asked the board if they wanted to do that again this year and if they wanted to do anything else. Trustee Simkins commented it was so nice driving around and seeing so many houses lit up. The board then discussed when the judging should be.

Trustee Brown made the motion to have the lighting contest with the judging being Saturday December 16, 2023, 2nd by Trustee Simkins. All in favor, motion carried

President Rogers then asked what the board wanted to do for the prizes. She reminded the board last year the prizes were; \$75.00 for first place, \$50.00 for second and \$25.00 for third. President Rogers also asked the board if they wanted to do cookies and hot chocolate at the fire station the night of the judging. This had been done in the past. It was decided not to do the cookies and hot chocolate.

Trustee Brown made a motion to have the prizes as \$75.00, \$50.00 and \$25.00, 2nd by Trustee Simkins. All in favor motion carried.

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It was decided to decorate the park and outside the village building on Saturday November 25, 2023 at 1:00pm

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ADJOURNMENT

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