

**Village of North Henderson
Trustee Meeting
October 10, 2019**

The Village of North Henderson Trustee Meeting for October 10, 2019 was called to order at 6:30 pm by President Carol Rogers.

ROLL CALL:

Present: Trustees Diane Brown, John Hoefer, and Don McGraw

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

Visiting: Jim Tucker, Don Adams, Michelle Adams and Bree Jones

Absent: Trustees Angie Chandlee, Vanessa Olson, and Karin Simkins

President Rogers stated we have a quorum we will precede.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

President Rogers announced there was a couple things that came in after the agenda was posted, we can discuss them but cannot vote on them. President Rogers commented the gutters need to be cleaned out; the only way she can think of to do it is back the truck out use a ladder and scoop it out.

President Rogers stated the other item is the EPA came out and did an inspection of our water system and there are a few things we need to fix which is normal. President Rogers stated Bob Shull is working on some such as the insufficient chlorine, piping identification and the emergency plan. President Rogers commented there are items which they tell us every year we need to fix such as drilling a second well, which is expensive and the village does not have the funds and will be on the report until we do.

President Rogers stated one of the things we do need to fix is the Flushing of the Water Lines. President Rogers commented they have not been flushed in 2 years so we need to figure out who could do it. President Rogers stated she was told with it being so long that there is a chance the turn off valves haven't moved in so long that they may break. President Rogers stated we could hire someone to do it but that could be expensive and if the valve broke the village would still have to pay to have it fixed. President Rogers asked if someone was willing to do it or knew someone to please let her know.

President Rogers stated another item that needs our attention is the Unaccounted Water Exceeds 15%, in 2018 we have 47% unaccounted water which is almost half. President Rogers commented we have fixed a lot of areas. Trustee Hoefer stated we could have Illinois Rural Water come out and check all of the lines to see where the loss could be so we can fix it.

President Rogers stated these are the items we need to look into and get fixed. A copy of the report can be obtained from the Village Clerk during business hours.

MINUTES:

Trustee Hoefer made a motion to accept the minutes. 2nd by Trustee Brown

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Trustees McGraw, Brown and Hoefer. Motion Passed

TREASURERS REPORT:

Trustee Hoefer made a motion to accept the treasurer's report. 2nd by Trustee McGraw

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Trustees Brown, McGraw and Hoefer. Motion Passed

President Rogers stated we have 2 CD's that are up for renewal, in the General Fund CD #32978 is up 11/16/2019 and CD #32976 from the Motor Fuel Fund is up 10/19/2019 what would the board like to do with them. Treasurer Whitcomb suggested letting the CD's roll over.

Trustee McGraw made a motion to let both CD's , #32978 and # 32976 roll over. 2nd by Trustee Brown.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Trustees Hoefer, Brown and McGraw Motion Passed.

BILLS:

Trustee Hoefer made a motion to pay the bills. 2nd by Trustee Brown

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Trustees McGraw, Brown and Hoefer. Motion Passed

OLD BUSINESS

Concession Stand Roof:

President Rogers commented she has been up and really looked at the roof and only half of the roof is really bad. Trustee McGraw commented you shouldn't do just half of the roof, and the concession stand roof isn't really that hard of a one to do so why is the cost so high. Trustee Hoefer asked why spend thousands of dollars on a building that is not being used. President Rogers stated the building does get used but not as much as it use to, such as the livestock show, people have reunions there and birthday parties. President Rogers continued to state that once it is fixed up it can be promoted and could be used even more. Trustee Brown commented more than the roof would have to be done to make it more useable, the equipment needs to be moved out of there and the kitchen area should be upgraded. Trustee McGraw commented sometimes you can get material that people decided they did not want at a cheaper price, and he could ask his son to give a bid on the roof.

Trustee Brown mad a motion to table the concession stand roof. 2nd by Trustee McGraw.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Trustees Hoefer, McGraw and Brown. Motion Passed

Halloween:

President Rogers stated we need to set a date and time for trick or treat. President Rogers commented Alexis has advertised theirs on Thursday the 31st from 6-8 pm. Trustee Brown commented she likes the idea of October 30th. Clerk Hall stated she had the lady from next door come by to see if the board had

decided on when trick or treat was and commented she hoped it would be on Saturday. Treasurer Whitcomb commented he has been asked also and they stated the Saturday before worked a lot better than during the week. Trustee McGraw commented he thought Saturday the 26th would be a good date that way parents wouldn't have to worry about school the next day. President Rogers asked what would be a good time. Treasurer Whitcomb stated in the past they have done 4 -6, 5-7 and 6-8. Trustee McGraw thought 4-6 would be good.

Trustee McGraw made a motion to have trick or treat on Saturday October 26, 2019 from 4 -6 pm.
2nd by Trustee Brown

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Trustees Hoefer, Brown and McGraw. Motion Passed

Fall Celebration/ Scarecrow Alley:

President Rogers commented the Fall Celebration/Scarecrow Alley was cancelled because she and Trustee Chandlee were going to be out of town that weekend. President Rogers asked the board if they would like to still have it that it could be incorporated into Halloween. Treasurer Whitcomb asked Clerk Hall if Alexis does anything special on Halloween. Clerk Hall answered yes they have a parade down Main Street to the Community Center where they offer a hot dog meal before trick or treat. Treasurer Whitcomb asked if Alexis has a house decorating contest. Clerk Hall answered yes they judge it during the trick or treat time. President Rogers commented the house decorating contest is still going on since it was advertised.

The board decided not to have the fall celebration/ scarecrow alley this year.

NEW BUSINESS

Trustee Resignation

President Rogers stated we have a trustee resignation, after last month's meeting I received the following text from Trustee Vanessa Olson:

"I resign! That is all you will get from me. Don't talk to me, don't contact me!"

President Rogers continued to state since she is not at the meeting it must be official. President Rogers stated her term is up in 2021 so we need to find someone to replace her seat. President Rogers commented if anyone knew of someone who would be interested to please let her know she will talk to them and if they want to do it she will appoint them at the next meeting.

Park

President Rogers stated the mulch was delivered today and it has been finished but she was not happy with how it was spread out. President Rogers continued to state where the handicap ramp is the mulch is so high you cannot get a wheelchair up over it so it needs to be leveled out more. President Rogers stated by the teeter totter there is still a large pile that was extra that was to be put in a hole by the sidewalk where there use to be a tree and that was not done. President Rogers commented she was going to speak to Rod Leffler about this.

President Rogers stated she has found an expression swing; it is a universal one meaning not only is it for the parent and a young child but also can be for a handicap child. President Rogers continued to state it is one where you strap the child in facing the parent on the other swing.

Website:

President Rogers turned the floor over to Clerk Hall since she has been working on the problem. Clerk Hall stated she has been working with the customer service rep, Shannon Farmer, from Rural Water Impact, our website provider. Clerk Hall continued to state Mrs. Farmer informed her problem is with the domain, which is villageof northhenderson.com. Clerk Hall stated she was told that the domain has expired and it is through "Name Cheap", and was given the phone number and an email address. Clerk Hall stated she tried the phone number it did not work so she went on the email site and it is one where you chat with a person. Clerk Hall commented she has 4 – 5 pages of a conversation that got nowhere.

Clerk Hall commented they would not give her any user names, who set up the account, or even what the cost would be to reactivate the account. Clerk Hall stated the person at Name Cheap wanted to direct her to a place called "go add funds" to pay the bill with a credit card or pay pal. Clerk Hall stated she explained how bills are paid for the village but they kept directing her to go add funds. Clerk Hall stated that is when she gave up and spoke to Mrs. Farmer again. Clerk Hall stated she asked Mrs. Farmer she asked if the board wanted to get rid of the website would prorate the payment. Clerk Hall stated Mrs. Farmer answered yes but to let her investigate the matter further. Clerk Hall commented Mrs. Farmer is sending her directions to see how many hits the website gets in a month.

President Rogers commented as far as she knew the village never has paid for a domain, Treasurer Whitcomb agreed they have only paid for the website. President Rogers asked Clerk Hall to find out who Alexis uses.

Flags:

President Rogers turned the floor over to Trustee Brown. Trustee Brown stated she checked a few places on the prices of flags and following is what she came up with:

Wal-Mart	Made in China	\$9.88 each	Made of poly cotton
Home Depot	Made in the USA	\$7.98 each	Made of poly cotton
Valley Forge	Made in the ISA	\$37.99 each	Made of nylon, sewn, embroidered

Trustee Brown stated Ron said there was a total of 20 flags that need replaced and the fire department is willing to help purchase some of the flags. Trustee Brown commented the flags from Home Depot are the whole kit, screws, pole, brackets and eagle. President Rogers commented Ron puts them up and takes them down that the village can pay the \$160.00 for the flags.

Trustee McGraw made a motion to buy 20 new flags from Home Depot. 2nd by Trustee Hoefer

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Trustees Brown, Hoefer and McGraw. Motion Passed.

Results of Items to be Checked:

Clerk Hall stated she went through all the Ordinances from current back to the first one and she did not find anything on the following; Feeding of Outdoor Animals, Brush in the Park and Repairing of Sidewalks. Clerk Hall stated she did send a letter with the bills requesting no feeding of outdoor animals and no brush in the park. President Rogers commented she has a "No Burning" sign to put up but the power company did the check from Julie on the house across the street.

Clerk Hall stated as far as Bob Shull the village does have a contract with him for 25 years so he is not an employee but a contractor. Clerk Hall commented she gave a copy to Treasurer Whitcomb and he is going to give one to the auditor.

President Rogers commented she wanted to thank everyone who came to the park the day Looser Flake came by. President Rogers stated they really liked the park and commented on how nice the grass was. President Rogers stated she let Mr. Modglin know.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Visitor Jim Tucker commented Bob Shull's contract needs to be amended, there is nothing stating he has to give the village his report every month but yet he gets paid on time every month but yet there are months where there is no report.

Visitor Tucker asked if when talking about work at the park is the village making sure everyone has liability insurance because he believes there is at least one who does not. President Rogers answered she believes they all do because they are all businesses but she will check.

ADJOURNMENT:

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

The October 10, 2019 Village of North Henderson Trustees Meeting was adjourned at 7:29 pm with the next meeting set for November 14, 2019 at 6:30 pm.

Melody Hall
Village Clerk

Carol Rogers
Village President