

Village of North Henderson
Trustee Meeting
October 12, 2023
6:30pm at the Floral Hall

The Village of North Henderson Trustee Meeting for October 12, 2023 was called to order at 6:30 pm by President Carol Rogers with a roll call

ROLL CALL

Present: Trustee's Angie Chandlee, Karin Simkins, Christian Spahr and Cheryl Stevens

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

Visiting: None

Absent: Trustee Diane Brown

President Rogers stated we have a quorum we will precede

JUSTINE JOHNSTON – INTERM TRUSTEE

President Rogers stated Justine emailed her stating she could not make it to the meeting due to work. Also she feels at this time it would not be a good idea for her to be a trustee, her work schedule would not allow her to be at the meetings. President Rogers commented Jake Nalley has showed interest in being a trustee so she will speak with him.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Trustee Simkins commented the water tank looked nice. President Rogers stated she went up to take pictures of the tank and noticed where they filled in the holes they did not sand so it looks rough. She is going to contact Costello's to see if they are done or if they are going to sand it and do a second coat. President Rogers thanked Trustee Spahr and Stevens for the good job painting the bathrooms at the softball diamond. They look nice. Trustee Simkins commented she spoke to Jim Tucker about putting a meter at Floral Hall and he mentioned there are two lines going into Floral Hall so the meter would have to be put in a pit. President Rogers stated that was one they planned on having in a pit.

MINUTES

There were a few typo corrections found in the minutes.

Trustee Stevens gave a motion to accept the minutes with the corrections, 2nd by Trustee Simkins. All in favor, motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT

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

President Rogers stated there are two CD's that are up for renewal. They are CD#32978 under the General Fund in the amount of \$12,300.92 and under the Motor Fuel Tax CD#32976 in the amount of \$12,301.96. President Rogers asked Treasurer Whitcomb what his recommendation is. Treasurer Whitcomb recommended letting them roll over.

Trustee Spahr made the motion to let CD# 32976 and 32978 roll over, 2nd by Trustee Stevens. All in favor, motion carried

BILLS

Treasurer Whitcomb asked to enter a receipt for President Rogers in the amount of \$10.90 for the antifreeze she bought to use at the bathrooms at the softball field.

Trustee Spahr commented Warren County did not fill in all the holes when doing the streets. He has counted at least eight of them and feels they should not be paid. Trustee Spahr stated until Costello's repair the water tank he feels they should also not be paid.

Trustee Simkins made a motion to pay the bill including the receipt for President Rogers and leaving out the bills for Warren County and Costello Painting, 2nd by Trustee Spahr. All in favor, motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

Halloween Activities

President Rogers stated the board set the date of October 28, 2023 for trick or treat but did not set a time. Also it was not discussed if the board wanted to do the house decorating contest. President Rogers commented she has donated the prizes for the contest in the past but this year she is unable to do so. The times of 4pm – 7pm and 5pm to 7pm were discussed. Also the prizes for the contest being 1st place \$30.00, 2nd place \$20.00 and 3rd place \$10.00.

Trustee Spahr made the motion to have trick or treat from 5pm – 7pm with the house decorating contest and the prizes being \$30.00, \$20.00 and \$10.00, 2nd by Trustee Simkins. All in favor, motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Auditor Approval

President Rogers turned the floor over to Treasurer Whitcomb so he could explain about the auditor. Treasurer Whitcomb explained the CPA the village has used in the past has retired and the company she worked with has changed hands. They are requesting the village signs an Audit Engagement Letter. They are also requesting the village pays 50% before they do the audit that being \$4,450.00 with the balance of \$4,450.00 due when the audit is complete. Treasurer Whitcomb explained any grant money or motor fuel tax funds have to be audited or the funds will have to be paid back. This includes the American Relief money used for the meters and the Rebuild Illinois fund that is in the motor fuel tax account. Treasurer Whitcomb stated he has checked with other firms that he has used with other committees but they do not do the type of audit that the village is required to have. He explained every 4 years the village is to have a full audit and in the years between it is a partial audit. Trustee Spahr asked if a request could be sent out and possibly have some other company do the audit. Treasurer Whitcomb stated there is no time to do that, the audit must be completed by December 1, 2023 or the village may have to pay all the funds back. Trustee Spahr noticed the amount for the auditor was in the bills and mentioned the board needs to go back and revote on the bills since it was agreed to be paid before the contract was agreed upon. President Rogers stated if the contract is not approved then the charges will be removed from the bills.

Trustee Simkins made a motion to accept Cavanaugh, Davis engagement letter, 2nd by Trustee Stevens

Roll Call Vote

Ayes: Trustee Chandlee, Simkins and Stevens

Nays: Trustee Spahr

Absent: Trustee Brown

President Rogers stated Ayes have the majority rule motion carried

MSI Contract/ Water House Generator

President Rogers stated MSI services the generator at the water house twice a year. The cost has gone up this year to \$472.00. Treasurer Whitcomb explained last year it was \$280.00 because that was for a residential cost and ours is a commercial because it is a three phase generator. Trustee Spahr asked why Bob did not service the generator. President Rogers explained he is the water operator and only deals with the water the generator has to be serviced by someone else.

Trustee Spahr made a motion to renew the MSI contract, 2nd by Trustee Simkins. All in favor, motion carried

Risk Management Insurance

President Rogers stated Risk Management is out liability and property insurance. The village has used them for years. President Rogers stated the cost has gone up this and is \$9108.51. Trustee Spahr asked if the village is required to use this company or can they use someone else. President Rogers answered the board can get other proposals but in the past Risk Management has been the lowest. Also if the board wanted to get other proposals they would have had to start back in July or August to advertise, get the proposals and make the decision.

Trustee Chandlee made a motion to renew Risk Management Insurance, 2nd by Trustee Spahr. All in favor, motion carried.

Ty's Tree & Lawn Service

President Rogers stated Ty's Tree & Lawn Service is the one who sprays the ball diamond for weeds. He comes out twice a year, at the beginning of summer and then midseason. The cost is \$495.00 if not prepaying, if paid by October 31st it will be \$460.35, or if paid by December 31st it would be \$470.25. Trustee Chandlee asked if he had been here for the second spraying because there are a lot of weeds up there. Trustee Spahr asked if the guy that mows could spray for the weeds. President Rogers answered he only has a home remedy and the weeds come back within a couple weeks, whereas Ty's last a lot longer. Trustee Chandlee commented she isn't sure if she wants to use him again next year because she isn't sure if he hasn't sprayed the second time or if the weeds are worse this year. President Rogers stated she would call and see if Ty had sprayed the second time. Trustee Spahr suggested pricing equipment to drag the field to see if that would be cheaper than paying someone to spray for the weeds. Trustee Chandlee commented that would be something the softball teams would need to help to pay for and she isn't sure the number of games they will be playing in North Henderson next year if any. Trustee Chandlee stated North Henderson has already put a lot of money into the ball diamond the last couple of years to let it go unmaintained.

Trustee Chandlee made a motion to table the matter until next month.

Softball Diamond

President Rogers stated she received a call from a guy who mows one of the houses by the ball diamond. He explained when he was backing up he hit the batting cage, He offered to pay to repair it but she told him to hold off. It was just one pole he hit that would need repaired. President Rogers commented no one uses the batting cage so why have it up there. President Rogers stated she has had two offers to tear it down for the wood. The first was Jim Modglin, the guy who mows for the village and the second was Shaun Olson for his motor cycle club and they would use it to build a ramp. Trustee Simkins commented they haven't used it in years so why fix it up. The board wanted the stipulation that if they tear it down they have to completely clean it up.

Trustee Stevens made the motion to allow Jim Modglin tear down the batting cage, 2nd by Trustee Simkins. All in favor, motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT

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With no other business or public comment President Rogers stated she'd entertain a motion to adjourn.

ADJOURNMENT

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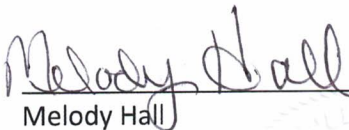
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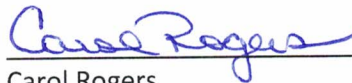
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