

January 21, 2025

The regular monthly meeting was called to order by President Gene Radder at 6:30 PM with the Pledge of Allegiance. Prayer was said by Radder.

Roll: Gene Radder, Rich Galien, Dan Gintner, Bob Schnell, Scott Stebnitz, Dan Stephani, and John Thews

Also present: Rebecca Abrams, Al Bonfigt, Chris Schaller, and Dan Schaefer of SEH

Minutes of the December 16, 2024, Regular Board Meeting were approved and minutes of the December 16, 2024, Safety Committee and the January 7, 2025, Finance Committee were accepted into the record. The motion was made by Thews, seconded by Stephani. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Stebnitz, seconded by Gintner to approve the Treasurer's Report as presented and to pay Checks #22051 - #22108 and electronic payments in the amount of \$304,302.93. Motion carried.

There was no public input.

Dan Schaefer of SEH was present to give updates on WET Testing & Compliance, Wastewater Treatment Plant Improvements, and USDA RD financing. Dan shared some options of the facility plant upgrade with the board. Dan will be at the February board meeting to continue the discussion of the village's options moving forward.

A motion was made by Thews, second by Stephani, to approve the contract with Quarles & Brady. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Thews, second by Gintner to approve the Loan Resolution 2025-01 for the USDA RD. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Thews, second by Stephani to approve signing the necessary forms for the USDA RD. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Schnell, second by Stebnitz to approve the agreement with Eastshore Humane Society. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Stephani, second by Thews to the 5-year agreement with Great Lakes TV Seal. Motion carried.

The website has been completed and has gone live.

The board discussed the American Legion's request to store the veteran's banners at Village Hall. The board agreed that they could store the banners in the basement of the building.

The board reviewed a request by the family of Erv Madson to donate a swinging bench in the park. The board had concerns regarding the safety of the swing and would prefer a stationary bench.

The Safety Committee will meet on Wednesday, February 19 at 6 PM immediately before the board meeting to discuss the hiring of a new Police Chief.

Shaller reported that the truck and tractors need new tires. The board agreed to have Chris get the necessary tires. Chris also shared that the Fire Department would like to run a 6" pipe across a portion of our property to have a hook up for filling and cleaning out fire trucks.

Al stated that he is researching some grants.

Correspondence was from Stafford Law Firm showing a small increase in fees.

A motion was made by Stebnitz, second by Galien to approve changing the village's deductible to \$5000 with an annual savings of \$1582.

The February board meeting will be moved to Wednesday, February 19 at 6:30 PM due to the election on Tuesday, February 18.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:07 PM.

Gene Radder, Village President

Rebecca J Abrams, Clerk-Treasurer