

Village of Luther

REGULAR MEETING

November 14, 2023

Village President, Andy Treiber, called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Members Present: Village President Andrew Treiber, Trustees: James Bacon, Connie Holmes, Felisa Wert, Linda Wellman, Brandon Voyles, Richard Mongar, Treasurer Amy Jo DeJesus, Clerk Dennis Karczynski

Members Absent: None

Visitor's Present: Village DPW Matt Pulaskey, Tiffany Clark, Carrie Fansler, Michelle Goodman, Lori Jarvis, Brittany Carlson

Richard Mongar made a motion to accept the agenda with additions to November 14, 2023, 2nd by Connie Holmes. With changes to add Freedom of Information request and Resignations to New Business. And eliminate Marshall Law from the agenda due to his absence. All in favor, Motion Carried.

Public Comment:

- Carrie Fansler
 - Shared she was on the original Mill Pond Park Committee and wanted to make the council aware the grant requirement included maintaining the park, the park needs to be maintained. She cited bridge repairs, pavilion repairs and need to be replaced.
- Trustee, Linda Wellman & Lynn Wert, asked Carrie about the money that was donated to buy bricks for the park with villager's names on them. She asked, where are the bricks and the money? Carrie stated the brick company went out of business and those funds should be refunded. Somebody needs to review the old park committee minutes to find the contributors, if the minutes can be found. The Treasurer should have receipts.
- Carrie Fansler, Michelle Goodman, Tiffany Clark, Lori Jarvis, Brittany Carlson all asked to join the Park Committee
- Michelle Goodman requested permission to have a Christmas tree lighting on Saturday November 25th at 2 p.m., her husband will decorate the tree. A Christmas bazaar will be held after with crafters.
 - Connie Holmes made a motion to allow the Christmas bazaar committee to hold a Christmas bazaar and conduct the lighting of the tree. Brandon Voyles 2nd the motion. All in favor, motion carried.
 - Brittany asked about FEMA funds for natural disasters. Andy responded he has called three times with no response and will call again. If he hears nothing, he will e-mail them.

Correspondents – Andy stated correspondents are on the table for anyone to take. A brochure is there for FEMA money that is available for affordable housing.

Minutes Dated 10/18/2023 – Connie Holmes made a motion to accept the minutes, 2nd by Linda Wellman to approve the minutes dated October 18th, 2023. All in favor. Motion Carried.

The Financial report dated October 2023

General Fund \$371,878.65, Payroll Fund \$2,366.61, Major Street Fund \$83,513.65, Local Street Fund \$129,227.08, Public Improvement Fund \$2,542.89, Petty Cash Fund \$848.12

Brandon Voyles made a motion to accept the Financial Report as presented, 2nd by Linda Wellman.

All in favor. Motion Carried.

November 2023 Bills to be paid: CV Kwik Mart \$143.00, Crystal Flash \$541.94, Republic Services \$590.65, Consumer Energy Street Lights \$586.39, Consumers Energy LED \$496.02, OCD \$90.00, Brooks Elite (Web Site) \$238.00, ACE 1 Septic \$750.00, LeRoy Hardware \$72.15, Department of Treasury \$366.15, UHY Advisors Employee Training \$355.00.

Connie asked a question regarding \$355 for training when the max amount was set at \$300. Andy will review the bill. It may be that taxes were added. If the bills are approved it will be paid, and Andy will bring an answer to the next meeting.

Lynn Wert made a motion to pay all bills as presented, 2nd by Richard Mongar.

Roll call vote taken, Andy – yes, Linda – yes, Lynn – yes, Brandon – yes, Connie – abstain, James – yes, Rick Mongar – yes.

6 in favor. One abstains. Motion Carried.

The DPW Committee Report-

- Reviewed the DPW meeting minutes and Fairbanks Park information. Information has to be resubmitted for properties.

Fire Board Committee –

- Minutes of the Fireboard meeting was reviewed. The committee is looking for more grant money.
- They are looking for more volunteers.

Hall Committee – Nothing presented.

Ordinance Committee Report –

- Andy stated the animal violation letter was not sent out. He will send a certified letter.

Parks (Public Improvement Committee) –

- Linda discussed Christmas decorations. She will put out a challenge to use wood carved displays, costing \$10, for businesses and families. Those participating can decorate the displays and there will be a 1st & 2nd prize for best decorated. They will be sold for \$15 and the additional \$5 will be used for the prizes.

Old Business -

- Andy said that the committee member situation needs to be resolved regarding all committees.
- Carrie Fansler, Michelle Goodman, Tiffany Clark, Lori Jarvis, Brittany Carlson all asked to join the Park Committee

New Business –

- Andy discussed the need to update the Microsoft software on the village computers and the McAfee virus prevention software. The money is in the budget but wanted to notify the board members of the expense.
- A freedom of information request was presented, requesting information pertaining to the Enterprise Resource Planning System, from OHY. Andy will call to determine why and what they are looking for.
- Andy discussed a letter of resignation by Rick Mongar effective November 14th. The committee was requested to approve the resignation read by Connie. Linda will post the opening on the Village Web Site. Connie Holmes read the letter to resolve Rick's resignation. Seconded by Linda.
- Roll call vote taken, Andy – yes, Linda – yes, Lynn – yes, Brandon – yes, Connie – yes, James – yes. All in favor, motion carried to accept Rick's resignation. 6 - 0
- Andy discussed a letter of resignation by Dennis Karczynski as Clerk effective December 1st. The committee was requested to approve the resignation read by Linda. Linda will post the opening on the Village Web Site. Linda Wellman read the letter to resolve Dennis's resignation. Seconded by Conie Holmes.
- Roll call vote taken, Andy – yes, Linda – yes, Lynn – yes, Brandon – yes, Connie – yes, James – yes, Richard - yes. All in favor, motion carried to accept Dennis's resignation. 7 - 0

Public Comment-

- Brittany Carlson had a question regarding a petty cash expenditure (\$360) on the financial fund statement, no description was given. Andy will investigate.
- A question was asked regarding, what training was given and why.

A motion was made by Rick Mongar to adjourn, seconded by Jim Bacon, the meeting adjourned at 7:54 p.m... All in favor! Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 7:54 pm.

Dennis Karczynski
Clerk
Village of Luther