

# VILLAGE OF LUTHER

REGULAR MEETING (Location: Village Hall)

October 8th, 2024

**Approved**

President Treiber called the meeting to order @ 7:00 p.m.

**Members Present:** Andy Treiber, James Bacon, Connie Holmes, Brittany Carlson, Carrie Fansler, Michelle Goodman, Tiffany Clark; Felicia Wert

**Members Absent:** Amy Jo Dejesus

**Visitor's Present:** Matt Pulaskey, Rose Wetherall, Melanie Davis, Jennifer Zelony

**Agenda:** Holmes made a motion, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Bacon to approve the agenda with addition of new business #1 Narcan box, #2 Fire department donation all in favor. Motion carried.

**Public Comment:** Jennifer Zelony asked if Amvets ORV run could put up an easy up tent next to the handicap spot on the street in front of North Bar. Holmes made a motion allowing Amvets Orv ride to place a pop up on the corner of state street and elm street November 2<sup>nd</sup> from 9-3pm, seconded by Clark; all in favor. Motion carried

Rose Wetherall notified the board she was running for Trustee

Melanie Davis representative for LDA chili cook off, asked for main street to be shut down November 9<sup>th</sup> for the chili cook off. Clark made a motion to allow main street to be shut down from 6a-6p on the November 9th for the chili cook off seconded by Bacon; all in favor. Motion carried

**Correspondence-** Nothing received, Review magazine is on the table

**Minutes:** Holmes made a motion to approve the regular minutes dated September 10th, 2024, with addition of all in favor motion carried on the last page under community improvement, seconded by Carlson; all in favor. Motion carried

**Financial Report:** The Financial Report was presented dated September 2024 with the following balances: General Fund \$274,075.68; Major Street Fund \$188,578.07; Local Street Fund \$198,358.18; Payroll Fund \$6,221.46, Petty Cash Fund \$634.72; Park Improvement Fund \$23,652.67. A motion was made by Carlson made a motion to accept the financial report as presented, seconded by Bacon, All in favor. Motion carried.

**Bills-** The following bills were presented: Consumers Energy DPW \$163.86; Consumers Energy Street Lights \$648.99; Consumers Energy Street Lights LED \$674.21; Consumers Energy Linden \$72.99; Cv Kwik Mart \$65.00; Republic Services \$351.01; Brookes Elite Contracting \$119.00; ACE 1 (Mill Pond) \$255.00; ACE 1 (Mill Pond) \$100.00; ACE 1 (Mill Pond) \$100.00; Cadillac Accounting \$120.00; Ina Store \$3,803.04; Andy Treiber Reib. Deed recording \$103.00; Michelle Goodman reimb. CIC event prizes \$58.71; Rothig Forest Products \$275.00; Amazon Toner \$142.47; American Asphalt Paving \$58,000.00; Crystal Flash \$1,136.50; Crystal Flash \$ 122.26: Holmes made a motion to approve, holding Flies and Vanden brink and adding ACE 1 for \$550.00 seconded by Clark, Roll call vote – Yes- Wert, Goodman, Clark, Carlson, Holmes, Bacon, Treiber; Motion Carried.

## **New Business-**

- 1. Narcan Boxes:** Treiber announced District 10 Health Department would like to place a Narcan box in town and are looking for approval and location. Clark made a motion to have a Narcan box placed with first option next to the post office building, second option next to the communication board by at the Village/Newkirk Hall, seconded by Holmes, All in favor. Motion carried.
- 2. Fire Department Donation:** Wert asked if the Village board would be interested in donating to the fire department to purchase a new ventilation fan that is battery operated. Matt Pulaskey explained what the ventilation fan is and the current fan doesn't work well. The current cost projection is \$5,000.00. Fansler asked Wert if anyone has approached Ellsworth and Newkirk because they receive tax dollars to fund the fire department. Treiber asked if there were any funds left in the fire department budget, Wert said both townships helped with purchase of the Stryker equipment. Discussion was held and the board determined they would consider splitting the cost by a third if Newkirk and Ellsworth Township would pay a third. Wert will reach out to Newkirk and Ellsworth.

**Old Business-**

1. Yearly Lease: Clark mentioned that LDA needs a lease in order to get insurance. Clark made a motion to extend the current leases for 6 months from the date of expiration, seconded by Carlson; all in favor. Abstained: Holmes, Motion carried

**Committee Reports-**

**DPW-** Treiber reported the committee met last week, we received a bill for the loader but it's still not operable. Matt is working on the loader repaired.

Matt is getting sand pricing on 80/20 sand, looking to order a train.

Matt noted Carrieville is out of diesel, Treiber asked the board if the Village board would allow the fire department to fill their trucks up if there was a fire and the fire department would reimburse the village for what they used. Clark made a motion to allow the fire department to use the villages diesel if needed and reimburse the village, seconded Bacon, all in favor. Motion carried

Holmes asked why the road repair materials were dumped on Lincoln creek road. Treiber noted that Reith and Riley were shut down and the contractor needed a place to dump the left over and they were instructed to dump it on Lincoln creek road. The contractor did remove 10 ton from the invoice.

**Hall Committee-** September meeting went well, it was agreed that starting December, Andy and Gretchen will rotate out every two years with Andy taking the first two years with two Village and two Newkirk trustees for a total of five committee members. The next meeting is December 6<sup>th</sup>. Holmes asked if she could still be on the hall committee if she wasn't elected in November. Holmes said she is still willing as long as the Village Board was agreement. Treiber will review the rules and make sure general public members are allowed to be committee members. James Bacon will be the other village committee member. Treiber noted that Newkirk will continue to administrate the books until the audit. Treiber discussed a calendar that will be posted on the communication board in the meeting area for events/meetings happening at the hall.

**Fire Board-** Nothing to report- discussed under new business

**Planning Committee-** Nothing to report.

**Ordinance Committee-**

Blight committee- Clark and Goodman provided update: Committee met to review ordinance and have a revised draft that will be presented to the board during the November meeting. The next meeting will be held November 7<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm.

**Community Improvement Committee-** Goodman reported CIC is partnering with LASA and Library on Halloween. LASA will be serving hot dogs. Tree lighting will be November 30<sup>th</sup>, Santa and Mrs. Clause will be coming, more details to come.

**Public comment:** No public comment

A motion to adjourn was made by Bacon seconded by Holmes. All in Favor, motion carried.  
Meeting adjourned 7:55 pm.

Carrie Fansler  
Village of Luther Clerk