

Village of Mazon Board Minutes
August 26, 2024

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm on August 26, 2024

Present were: Jeff Marques, Melanie Murphy, Dalton Misener, Kirk Houchin, Diane Punke, Ed Emrich, John Frederick, Larry Pastick, Chris Dearth, Tim Hejny

Absent were: K. Webster, Rachel Carrell

The minutes for August 12, 2024, were presented for approval. **E. Emrich made a motion to approve the August 12, 2024, minutes as presented. The motion was seconded by D. Misener. Roll was taken; D. Misener-Yes, K. Houchin-Yes, D. Punke-Yes, E. Emrich-Yes. Motion carried.**

The bill list for August 26, 2024, was presented for approval. **D. Misener made a motion to approve the bill list for August 26, 2024, as presented. The motion was seconded by D. Punke. Roll was taken; D. Misener-Yes, K. Houchin-Yes, D. Punke-Yes, E. Emrich-Yes. Motion carried.**

Treasurer:

J. Marques reported that there are 4 CDs up for renewal. CD# 73300700 for General Fund in the amount of \$88,746.36 is due on September 1, 2024 and is currently getting 5.125% at American Commercial Bank & Trust. First American is offering 4.75% for 6 months or 4.25% for 12 months. SOCU is currently offering 4.75% for 14 months or 4.25% for 21 months. **D. Misener made a motion to reinvest CD# 73300700 at SOCU for 14 months at 4.75%. The motion was seconded by E. Emrich. Roll was taken; D. Misener-Yes, K. Houchin-Yes, D. Punke-Yes, E. Emrich-Yes. Motion carried.**

CD# 733014000 for the TIF Fund in the amount of \$313,222.45 is due on September 1, 2024 and is currently getting 5.125% at American Commercial Bank & Trust. First American is offering 4.75% for 6 months or 4.25% for 12 months. SOCU is currently offering 4.75% for 14 months or 4.25% for 21 months. **D. Misener made a motion to reinvest CD# 733014000 at SOCU for 14 months at 4.75%. The motion was seconded by E. Emrich. Roll was taken; D. Misener-Yes, K. Houchin-Yes, D. Punke-Yes, E. Emrich-Yes. Motion carried.**

CD# 733621 for Sewer Vehicles in the amount of \$34,983.24 is due on August 30, 2024 and is currently getting 5.15% at American Commercial Bank & Trust. First American is offering 4.75% for 6 months or 4.25% for 12 months. SOCU is currently offering 4.75% for 14 months or 4.25% for 21 months. **D. Misener made a motion to reinvest CD# 733621 at SOCU for 14 months at 4.75%. The motion was seconded by E. Emrich. Roll was taken; D. Misener-Yes, K. Houchin-Yes, D. Punke-Yes, E. Emrich-Yes. Motion carried.**

CD# 733622 for Sewer Equipment in the amount of \$81,749.87 is due on August 30, 2024 and is currently getting 5.15% at American Commercial Bank & Trust. First American is offering 4.75% for 6 months or 4.25% for 12 months. SOCU is currently offering 4.75% for 14 months or 4.25% for 21 months. **D. Misener made a motion to reinvest CD# 733622 at SOCU for 14 months at 4.75%. The motion was seconded by E. Emrich. Roll was taken; D. Misener-Yes, K. Houchin-Yes, D. Punke-Yes, E. Emrich-Yes. Motion carried.**

CD# 73300100 for Sewer Fund in the amount of \$55,696.46 is due on September 1, 2024 and is currently getting 5.125% at American Commercial Bank & Trust. First American is offering 4.75% for 6 months or 4.25% for 12 months. SOCU is currently offering 4.75% for 14 months or 4.25% for 21 months. **D. Misener made a motion to reinvest CD# 73300100 at SOCU for 14 months at 4.75%. The motion was seconded by E. Emrich. Roll was taken; D. Misener-Yes, K. Houchin-Yes, D. Punke-Yes, E. Emrich-Yes. Motion carried.**

The July 2024 Treasurer Report was presented for approval. **D. Misener made a motion to approve the July 2024 Treasurer Report as presented. The motion was seconded by E. Emrich. Roll was taken; D. Misener-Yes, K. Houchin-Yes, D. Punke-Yes, E. Emrich-Yes. Motion carried.**

Secretary:

M. Murphy reported that IL ePay is currently up and functional. It will be announced to residents on the water/sewer bills that are set to be sent out September 1, 2024. Residents are now able to set up an account that will allow them to see their current balance and save their payment information. We also now accept card payment in person and over the phone. We've already had a couple residents use the online portal.

Public Comment:

J. Frederick stated that there is a hard plastic sump pump hose lying across the sidewalk at 513 7th St, which is a hazard. J. Marques suggested contacting property owner to tell them it needs to be removed or altered to not be on sidewalk.

E. Emrich mentioned a house on Depot St. has pieces of particle board in yard and out by street. M. Murphy will send an ordinance violation letter to resident.

President:

J. Marques stated he spoke with Jim Pozzi about the garbage contract. He stated the price will go up but they are looking to cut yard waste services and go to every other week recycling pick up with a 5% increase in price every year. If we go out to bid Republic's price will be the same. The board discussed sending out to the garbage contract out to bid. Jeff recommends having a judiciary committee meeting to write out the village's needs then we can send to C. Dearth and send out to bid. Judiciary committee meeting set for September 10, 2024 at 4:15 pm.

J. Marques also informed the board that the Clearwater Tournament is all set for the upcoming weekend, just waiting on insurance documents. He stated that we have asked to cut and remove a tree south of the wellness center parking lot to make way for our fiber link. It is interfering with the signal from the Village Hall to the larger water tower. J. Marques stated he spoke with someone at wellness center and they are ok with us removing the tree. We will also remove a smaller tree next to it that is dying.

J. Marques would like to schedule a finance committee meeting. Meeting scheduled for September 10, 2024 at 6:00 pm.

Committee Reports:

Nothing at this time.

Old Business:

Nothing at this time

New Business:

C. Dearth presented An Ordinance Approving Change Order #2 Associated With The Waste Water Treatment Plant Sand Filter Media Replacement For The Village Of Mazon, Grundy County, Illinois.

K. Houchin made a motion to approve An Ordinance Approving Change Order #2 Associated With The Waste Water Treatment Plant Sand Filter Media Replacement For The Village Of Mazon, Grundy County, Illinois. The motion was seconded by D. Misener. Roll was taken; D. Misener-Yes, K. Houchin-Yes, D. Punke-Yes, E. Emrich-Yes. Motion carried.

D. Misener made a motion to approve the Opperman Invoice for the Waste Water Treatment Plant Sand Filter Media Replacement in the amount of \$199,487.37. The motion was seconded by D. Punke. Roll was taken; D. Misener-Yes, K. Houchin-Yes, D. Punke-Yes, E. Emrich-Yes. Motion carried.

D. Misener made a motion to approve the FY24 Audit. The motion was seconded by D. Punke. Roll was taken; D. Misener-Yes, K. Houchin-Yes, D. Punke-Yes, E. Emrich-Yes. Motion carried.

J. Marques explained to the board the proposed fiber link to get our fiber internet from the Village Hall to the sewer plant and pumphouse. He then presented the cost which is an estimated total of \$6,741.71. **D. Misener made a motion to approve the proposed Fiber Link installation. The motion was seconded by E. Emrich. Roll was taken; D. Misener-Yes, K. Houchin-Yes, D. Punke-Yes, E. Emrich-Yes. Motion carried.**

Director of Public Works:

J. Frederick reported that well 18 was pulled and they replaced the pump, pipe, wiring, and gaskets to the well. It has been chlorinated tested and back in service. Well 8 had a hit for coliform. After chlorinating and flushing, we were able to receive a good sample and put back in service. He stated the EPA contacted him about missing samples from July on well 16. He emailed them back after investigating the issue, and well 16 was down for that month. He stated the batteries were replaced on the backhoe.

J. Frederick informed the board that while pushing the burn pile to get ready to burn, the backhoe lost its dump and curl ability on the bucket. He discovered it was a taper pin for the control arm and then replaced it. He reported that 710 7th St has water and sewer connected. Upon pulling well 18, public works discovered the service truck is having some issues with the crane and took it to Monroe. Truck is there getting fixed. He reported that he and Marc attended an OSHA safety course and Marc Milburn is now the Village's OSHA certified competent person. J. Frederick also stated that Marc now has his CDL permit.

Chief of Police:

L. Pastick reported multiple traffic stops and speed sign placement. He reported he attended Midwest Security and Police Conference and Expo on August 23, 2024. He reported 67 traffic stops so far this year. L. Pastick reported seeing multiple golfcarts in plain view that have not been registered with the Village but he has not encountered one on the road as of yet. He asked the board how they would like him to handle that situation. J. Marques suggested stopping to give a curtesy reminder in residents.

E. Emrich questioned L. Pastick about his current schedule and mentioned the board has requested more diverse hours, multiple times. L. Pastick stated that he will begin working some days at 10:00 am and working later. J. Marques suggested a permanent flex schedule. J. Marques stated that a schedule needs to be made or a schedule will be made for him. L. Pastick stated starting next week his schedule will be different and will reflect these changes. E. Emrich went on to discuss the Village's needs for patrolling in the evening hours.

Zoning:

J. Marques reported a solar panel permit and also informed the board that he has not heard anything back regarding the Babtist Church property.

Engineer:

T. Henjy reported that D Construction will start road maintenance in next couple weeks.

Attorney:

Nothing at this time.

D. Punke made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:10 pm. The motion was seconded by E. Emrich. Roll was taken; D. Misener-Yes, K. Houchin-Yes, D. Punke-Yes, E. Emrich-Yes. Motion carried.

