

Village of Mazon
Board Minutes
September 25, 2023

The meeting was called to order at 6:04pm on September 25, 2023.

Present were; Jeff Marques, Kim Marques, Melanie Murphy, Kirk Houchin, Jim Matteson, Kris Webster, Diane Punke, Ed Emrich, John Frederick, Tyler Baseley, and C. Dearth.

Absent: D. Misener and Rachel Carrell

The minutes for the September 11, 2023 were presented for review. **K. Webster made a motion to approve the September 11, 2023 minutes as presented. The motion was seconded by D. Punke. Roll was taken; K. Houchin-Yes, J. Matteson-Yes, K. Webster-Yes, D. Punke-Yes, E. Emrich-Yes. Motion carried.**

The bills for the September 25, 2023 were presented for review. **D. Punke made a motion to approve the September 25, 2023 bills as presented. The motion was seconded by K. Houchin. Roll was taken; K. Houchin-Yes, J. Matteson-Yes, K. Webster-Yes, D. Punke-Yes, E. Emrich-Yes. Motion carried.**

Treasurer:

The August Treasurer report was presented for approval. **K. Webster made a motion to approve the August Treasurer report as presented. The motion was seconded by D. Punke. Roll was taken; K. Houchin-Yes, J. Matteson-Yes, K. Webster-Yes, D. Punke-Yes, E. Emrich-Yes. Motion carried.**

Secretary:

Nothing at this time.

Public Comment:

None at this time.

President:

J. Marques reported he and John had a meeting with Back Flow Solutions. They will manage the whole back flow program for the Village at a cost of \$495.00 per year with the first year at no charge. This program is mandated by the EPA. We have 9-15 back flows in the Village. **The Board agreed to sign up for the BSI Online back flow program.**

C. Dearth reported that next month we will petition the court for release of the consent order.

Committee Reports:

J. Marques reported that the Personnel committee had three interviews for Tylers position. Two were called back for second interviews. One of the original three would make a very good Chief

for a larger Town but was not looking to also be a patrol officer. The second one was a great candidate; he will be retiring from the County this year. He was not able to take the job due to his retirement agreement with SLEP. The third candidate did not pass the second interview. Jeff and Tyler will be working on putting together a new ad to be placed on Blue line. Tyler will be leaving on October 11th but has agreed to stay on to help train his replacement on the Administration end of the job. Tyler will be paid his current hourly rate for all hours he works for the Village.

Old Business:

None at this time.

New Business:

The online payments with IL. EPay contract has been reviewed. We are waiting for the revised contract, when signed we will be ready to go live.

The Board discussed Halloween Hrs. They will be from 4-6:30 on October 31st. The Board discussed the hot dog give away on Halloween. John and Erika Frederick, Melanie Murphy, and Lucille and Richard Payne are volunteering their time to prepare and serve the hot dogs, hot coco, and chips on Halloween at the American Legion. J. Marques will contact the school for any students needing community service hours to help with the cleanup. K. Houchin and K. Webster said they would also help with the cleanup. C. Dearth has offered to pay for the hot dogs and buns; the Village will provide chips and hot coco. J. Frederick will contact Grainco FS to see if they would donate plates and cups. J. Frederick has also offered to go pick up the food for the giveaway.

Director of Public works:

J. Frederick reported he was contacted by the homeowner at 608 Main St. about a concern with a large hackberry tree that she was told needs to be cut down. John had Precision Tree check the tree and found it to be a healthy tree. The homeowner still wants it trimmed. It is growing into power lines. John will contact ComEd about the power lines in the tree to see if they will trim it. **The Board decided they would have Precision trim the tree at a cost of \$600.00.**

J. Frederick also reported that there are 2 dead pine trees a resident has asked about taking down at 607 Main St. the cost to take both down and grind the stumps is \$700.00. There is another tree at 608 Center Street that is dead and needs to be cut and ground, the cost for this tree will be \$200.00. **The Board agreed to have Precision Tree cut and grind the stumps of the trees listed above.**

J. Frederick said they did draw down and GPM testing on all the wells and discovered a few electrical issues with Well # 15 which had been struck by lightning and the wires were burnt all the way down, the well was pulled and replaced along with the wires. The wires on well #18 were dry rotted and bare in spots so they were cut back and spliced to good wire.

During the draw down testing wells # 5, 8, 11, and 16 are going to be cleaned and possibly well #7. Albrech well drilling will be her the first week in October for cleaning.

October 2nd. John and Nick have a fire hydrant maintenance and repair class in Coal City. Nick will be going for his Class B CDL test soon.

Police Chief:

Tyler Baseley gave his report. He has received all the radar equipment, and has updated it with the Insurance Co. He is checking into having CAMZ provide a quote to install the radar equipment. They will charge \$250.00 for installation.

Tyler is assisting with the new Police Chief Interviews.

Zoning:

A new permit sheet was presented.

Engineer:

Nothing at this time.

Attorney:

Nothing at this time.

K. Webster made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:36 pm. The motion was seconded by E. Emrich. Roll was taken; K. Houchin-Yes, J. Matteson-Yes, K. Webster-Yes, D. Punke-Yes, E. Emrich-Yes. Motion carried.