

**Village of Newport regular meeting – August 16, 2021**

The regular meeting of the Village of Newport was called to order on August 16, 2021 @ 7:05 PM by Mayor Hennings with the following members present:

Mayor – Ashley Hennings

Trustee – Steven Woods

Tricia Foster (clerk), Herm Harris (street superintendent), George Farley (codes & zoning), Christine Lynch, Dick Foster @ 7:09PM

Absent: Thomas Roberts (trustee), Michele Weakley (treasurer), Cathy Asaro (deputy clerk), Michael Woods (water superintendent), Carl Parow (streets)

Closed meeting due to Covid-19

Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of Minutes:

Motion made by Trustee woods, Seconded by Mayor Hennings to accept the minutes as written for the June 21, 2021, regular meeting.

All in Favor: Mayor Hennings, Trustee Woods

Opposed: None

Motion carried.

Trustee Roberts absent

Dept. Head Report:

History:

No new business

Water superintendent:

Michael Woods gave his report, and it will be placed on file.

There are 12 past due water bills that could be shut off, get with Herm to see if they are broken before shutting them off.

Street Superintendent:

Herm Harris gave his report, and it will be placed on file.

Codes & Zoning:

George Farley gave his report, and it will be placed on file.

Fire District:

No new Business

Playground:

The playground program is done for the summer as of August 13<sup>th</sup>. The program had a lot of kids attend. The program director is willing to stay on to clean bathrooms for fall ball.

Treasurer:

Michele Weakley gave her report, and it will be placed on file.

July vouchers:

Water Abstract: vouchers 5-8, checks 3586-3558, \$25,117.58

General Abstract: vouchers 13-24, checks 11266-11276, \$4,085.82

August Vouchers:

Water Abstract: vouchers 9-13, checks 3589-3592, \$3,542.79

General Abstracts: vouchers 25-34, checks 11277-11285, \$4,823.39

Public comments not to exceed 30 minutes:

Dick Foster asked why we were having trouble getting a lawyer? Mayor Hennings stated that we were waiting to give them a retainer just can't get them to call us back with an amount.

Dick Foster asked about the decorative lights fund and if the Village was trying to hide funds? Also Asked about the old school. Discussion ensued.

Motion made by Mayor Hennings, Seconded by Trustee Woods to close the meeting @ 7:49 PM.

All in favor: Mayor Hennings, Trustee Woods

Opposed: none

Motion Carried,

Trustee Roberts absent

The Vouchers were reviewed and signed, and the bank statements and balance sheets were reviewed.

Respectfully submitted,

Tricia L Foster

Village Clerk