

Village of Newport regular Meeting – June 19, 2017

The regular meeting of the Village of Newport was called to order on June 19, 2017 @ 7:04 PM by Mayor Hennings with the following members present:

Mayor – Ashley Hennings
Trustee – Steven Woods
Trustee – Thomas Roberts

Tricia Foster (Clerk), Cathy Asaro (deputy clerk), Michele Weakley (treasurer), Barb Curran (historian), Herm Harris (street superintendent), Dave Jones (Newport Fire Dept.), George Farley (codes & Zoning), Craig Felhaber

Absent: Michael Woods (water superintendent)

Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of Minutes:

Motion made by Trustee Roberts to accept the minutes as written for the regular meeting held on April 17, 2017, Seconded by Trustee Woods.

All in favor: Mayor Hennings, Trustee Woods, Trustee Roberts

Opposed: none

Motion carried

Motion made by Trustee Roberts to accept the minutes as written for the budget meeting held on April 24, 2017, Seconded by Trustee Woods.

All in favor: Mayor Hennings, Trustee Woods, Trustee Roberts

Opposed: none

Motion carried

Motion made by Trustee Roberts to accept the minutes as written for the regular meeting held on May 15, 2017, Seconded by Trustee Woods.

All in favor: Mayor Hennings, Trustee Woods, Trustee Roberts

Opposed: none

Motion carried

Department heads report:

History Center:

Barb Curran gave her report and it will be placed on file.

The history center has a WWI display and would encourage everyone to stop and take a look at it.

Water Superintendent:

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

Street Superintendent:

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

Trustee Roberts stated that Herm and his self met with the DOT and the bids are out and as soon as they hear back on bids the start time should be July or August

Codes & Zoning:

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

Fire Dept.:

Fire district meeting will be held on June 21, 2017 at the Town of Norway, also special meeting will be held for the Village at that time and Towns if they choose.

Recreation:

Mayor Hennings stated that we had people trying to contact the county representative Bill Weakley for summer employment and they are not getting any calls back. Mayor Hennings stated that she will call to see if they can get minutes to see if he has been in attendance. Trustee Woods stated that he would try and call the chairmen to see if he can get any help.

Jackie Santimier a school aid from West Canada is going to be running the summer program and was able to get a letter sent home with kids about the activities that are going to be held.

Treasurer:

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

General abs 1 vouchers 1-21 \$9090.11 checks 10679-10698

Water abs 1 voucher 1-3 \$1031.99 checks 3381-3383

Trustee Roberts asked about funds for the sidewalks in front of the library, Mayor Hennings stated that we have \$17,000.00 left in chips.

Mayor Hennings stated that the village placed an ad in the paper in search of a new Village Lawyer. She had received a few interests in the positions.

Budgetary Transfers:

Resolution #32

Motion made by Mayor Hennings, Seconded by Trustee Roberts, RESOLVED, to make the following budgetary transfers:

From: A1990.4 CONTINGENT \$1851.00 TO: A1410.4 CLERK CE \$33.00, A4010.4 PUBLIC HEALTH \$30.00, A7310.1 REC PS \$1785.00

FROM: A3410.42 FIRE UTILITIES \$10300.00, A3410.4 FIRE CE \$700.00 TO: A3410.2 FIRE EQUIPMENT \$11000.00

FROM: A7180.4 SPECIAL REC \$30000.00, A5110.4 STREET CE \$5875.00, TO: A5110.401 DEMO \$35875.00

All in favor: Mayor Hennings, Trustee Woods, Trustee Roberts
Opposed: None
Motion carried

Trustee Woods asked about the renting of another building for the Village office if they move forward with the fire district, the fire district will need a place for their board. Trustee Roberts stated that he long term he thinks we should look either way. Mayor Hennings asked if they knew of any other building in the village.

Public comment to start @ 7:35PM not to exceed 30 minutes:

Craig Felhaber asked who owned the building on Bridge St and as a tax payer he had concerns and doesn't think that we should have to find another place for our offices and asked how the fire equipment would work if the district goes though. Mayor Hennings stated that the fire district went through the district would pay the lease to the village. Also stated that any taxes raised and reserve will go with the fire dept.

Craig Felhaber asked about there being no village attorney and if board has looked at this and if we have had any interests into the position. Mayor Hennings stated that we have capped current lawyer Audrey Dunning and are sending her a signed letter, the cap was set at \$6,000.00 and we except it back by the end of the month.

Mayor Hennings stated that last year with the summer youth program we had a few spots that they held out last minutes to fill. The village ended up hiring a couple of kids on their own and that the village always hires the director.

Motion made by Mayor Hennings, seconded by Trustee Woods to close the meeting @ 8:12PM.
All in favor: Mayor Hennings, Trustee Woods, Trustee Roberts
Opposed: None
Motion carried

The vouchers were reviewed and signed the bank statements and balance sheets were reviewed.

Respectfully submitted,
Tricia L Foster

Village Clerk