

Village of Waynesville
Board of Trustees
Board Minutes
November 13, 2023

Location of Meeting: Village Hall – 200 E 2nd St., Waynesville, IL 61778

Special meeting called to order by Mayor Paul Wiggins at 6:01pm. New Village Clerk Holly Murphy was sworn in. Cummings motioned to adjourn the meeting. Shaffer seconded. Special meeting adjourned at 6:03pm

Regular Meeting called to Order by Mayor Paul Wiggins at 6:03pm

Roll Call: A Quorum of the Village Board was present during the following roll call of Trustees taken by the Village Clerk:

Attendees	Present	Absent
Mayor – Paul Wiggins	X	
Trustee - Bristow	X	
Trustee - Lowery	X	
Trustee - Settles	X	
Trustee - Brown	X	
Trustee - Cummings	X	
Trustee - Shaffer	X	

Village Maintenance Man Randy Furman, Maintenance Assistant Ryan McLane, Treasurer Tabitha Miller and Village Clerk Holly Murphy were also present.

The **Minutes of October** meeting were reviewed by the Board. Bristow motioned to approve the minutes as presented. Settles Seconded the motion. Roll Call: Aye all. Motion carried.

The **Unpaid Bills Report for November** was reviewed by the Board. Shaffer motioned to approve. Cummings Seconded the motion. Roll Call: Aye all. Motion carried.

The **Balance Sheet for October** was reviewed by the Board. Settles motioned to approve. Cummings Seconded the motion. Roll Call: Aye all. Motion carried.

The **Profit & Loss Statements for October** were reviewed by the Board. Lowery motioned to approve. Brown Seconded the motion. Roll Call: Aye all. Motion carried.

Ordinances- Health & Safety – Settles

- Paul and Tabby met with an attorney from Taylor and Lynch to see if they would be available to represent the Village in the future. The board was presented with the contract

and rates. Settles motioned to approve hiring Taylor and Lynch as Village representation and Lowery seconded the motion. Aye all. Motion carried.

- Discussed using standard rate of 105% for tax levy or increasing the amount. Increasing the amount would require a referendum. Bristow motioned to keep the rate at 105%. Cummings seconded. Aye all. Motion carried.
- Tabitha has talked to a Village board member from Wapella who is also the Finance Chairman on the DeWitt County board. She is willing to meet with us to help with the tax levy.

Water – Shaffer

- According to Trimble Plumbing, the fire hydrants at the corner of 4th St. and Maltby and at the 500 block of S. Isham will be done by the end of November. Randy stated that this will require a boil order until a sample is sent in, which will be around 24 to 48 hours.
- Randy has had several requests lately to turn off people's water temporarily so home maintenance projects can be completed. We have not been charging for this service. The board would like to review the water ordinance at the next meeting and possibly add language to charge a service call fee for each visit. The board also discussed having an emergency cell phone number for water/sewer emergencies so that Randy isn't contacted directly on his cell phone.

Sewer – Brown

- Discussed the high usage analysis report for November.
- The work at 105 W. 4th Street is going well.
- The leach pit at 407 S. Main St. is deteriorating and may need to be replaced soon.
- Sewer maintenance is becoming a large expense for the town, and the board discussed some options on how to proceed. Greg Crowe is available to come to the December meeting to discuss grant opportunities. Shaffer stated that Atlanta is working with Farnsworth Group on grant opportunities and suggested we contact them as well. Holly will contact them to see if someone would be available for a special meeting. Shaffer suggested contacting Kevin Hannel.

Streets & Alleys – Lowery

- Randy stated that the asphalt looks good and we are prepped for winter.

Finance – Bristow & Cummings

- The annual audit from Estes, Bridgewater and Ogden was completed. They made some suggestions for improving our processes, which we are adopting.

Miscellaneous – Wiggins

- Sherri Ross addressed the board regarding a walking path that the Women's' Club would like to install around the perimeter of Evergreen Cemetery. It will be a quarter mile track that will provide a safer place for people to walk in town. They will not start on the

installation until next spring, but she is trying to talk to all the area organizations to see if they will help contribute to the cost. The board will discuss this at the December meeting.

- Sherri also discussed the need for new electrical outlets for more holiday decorations on the poles and at the park. Shaffer stated that she thinks new outlets have to be run through a dusk to dawn sensor and she will get more information regarding this. Randy will work with her on the new decorations for the park.
- Ryan McLane addressed the board regarding starting a youth volunteer organization in Waynesville. There are Olympia high school students who need volunteer hours to graduate, and he feels that there is a lack of service opportunities in town. Ryan is talking to all the local groups about supporting this endeavor.

With no further discussion, Bristow motioned to adjourn the meeting. Lowery Seconded the motion. Roll Call. Aye all.

The meeting adjourned at 7:37 pm.

Holly Murphy
Village Clerk