

The Village of Stronghurst Board met for a scheduled meeting on **July 6, 2021**. Present at roll call were Trustees Mike Bohnenkamp, Shane Reed, Janice Smith, Mike Swisher, Amanda VanArsdale and Randy Jarvis. Mayor Brendan Schaley was present. Employees present were Arbry Vancil and Ronnie Gittings. Village Attorney Mariah Wallace was present. Guest's present were Virginia Ross, and Shirley Linder. Village Clerk Hollie Allen was absent.

Mayor Brendan Schaley called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Randy made a motion to approve the minutes as presented for the June Board Meeting. The motion was 2nd by Mike S. It passed unanimously. Mike B. made a motion to approve payment of the bills. Shane 2nd the motion. It passed unanimously. Financial statements were presented for June. Shane made a motion to approve the financials. Amanda 2nd the motion. It passed unanimously.

Guests: Virginia Ross noted the success of the recent Veteran Memorial Fundraiser.

Water Superintendent Report: Pumping level on wells have increased. Able to run pumps all day with minimal issues. Well rehabilitation should take place in July. Working on continuing to install new meters and endpoints.

Police Report: Arb read the police report for June. The department had 87.5 hours worked, 0 training hours, 487 squad car miles, 3 traffic stops, 2 verbal warnings, 0 written warning, and 1 traffic ticket. There were 7 service calls, 1 assist, 21 business checks, and 1 arrest. Total squad car mileage is 50327. No questions were asked regarding the police report.

Zoning Report: No new permits this month. Mike S. has been working with Doug from Benton & Associates on working on updating zoning maps.

Old Business: Ameren franchise agreement has been tabled, waiting on word from the Village Attorney. No action on bulk water rates for deep well use.

New Business: Village Attorney Mariah Wallace presented the Appropriation Ordinance that was previously approved, due to changes in publication regulations the ordinance needs to be reviewed and approved again. Randy made a motion to approve the ordinance. Janice 2nd the motion. All approved. An ordinance regulating the Village Park was presented to the board. This ordinance outlines minors ages 12 and under are not to be unaccompanied at the park

without an adult age 18 and older. This ordinance is to help alleviate the constant issues at the park with vulgar language, damage to park property, etc. Mike B. made a motion to approve the ordinance. Janice 2nd the motion. It passed unanimously. Permanent outdoor dining was discussed. It was decided to take no action at this time.

Trustees Report: Randy notes liquor licenses have been renewed for all 3 businesses. Also noted he has received several complaints on fireworks. Mike S. thanked all who helped with the Veteran Memorial fundraiser. Amanda questioned the status of the Antiquity building. Brendan will check with Mariah. Amanda will also be scheduling a Personnel meeting in the near future.

Mayor/Clerk/Lawyer Report: Brendan thanked all who helped with the Veteran Memorial.

Executive Session: Motion to enter executive session to discuss employee compensation made by Mike B. 2nd by Randy. Board enters executive session at 6:40 pm with all board members present. Hourly rate for part time Police Deputy Daniel Moore was discussed. Mike S. made a motion to exit executive session 2nd by Janice.

Board enters regular session at 6:45. Shane made a motion to increase Daniel Moore's wages to be the same as Arb Vancil effective June 26, 2021. Janice 2nd the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

Randy made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Shane 2nd the motion. The meeting adjourned at 6:50 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Hollie Allen– Village Clerk/Treas.