

The Village of Stronghurst Board met for a scheduled meeting on **November 2, 2020**. Present were Trustees Jerry Nortrup, Mike Bohnenkamp, Amanda VanArsdale, Mike Swisher and Randy Jarvis and Shane Reed. Mayor Brendan Schaley was present. Employees present were Hollie Allen, Arbry Vancil (entering at 6:25) and Ronnie Gittings. Village Attorney Mariah Wallace was absent. Guests present were Shirley Linder, Sara Evans-Brown, Troy Shelton and David Knutstrom.

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 October Board Meeting. The motion was 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jerry. It passed unanimously. Mike B. made a motion to approve payment of the bills. Jerry 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. It passed unanimously. Financial statements were presented for October. Randy made a motion to approve the financials. Jerry 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. It passed unanimously.

**Guests:** Troy Shelton from Utility Equipment Company presented information regarding Ultrasonic water meters and the benefits from upgrading to the Ultrasonic meters and SET endpoints.

**Water Superintendent Report:** Ronnie reports one water main leak on Hwy 94 was repaired. Lee's Tree Service has come and ground the remaining tree stumps. The EPA permit needed to move forward with the Logan and Division Street water main repairs will not be issued in the next 30 days, but will be issued within approximately 70 days. Ronnie would like to go ahead and purchase the materials to complete the work on both blocks. Logan Street supplies will be \$4,262.18 and Division Street supplies will be \$2,076.00. Shane made a motion to go ahead and purchase the supplies to have on hand when able to begin working on the project. Jerry 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. It passed unanimously.

**Police Report:** Brendan read the police report. The department had 87.5 hours worked, 4 training hours, 468 squad car miles, 1 traffic stop, 1 verbal warning, 0 written warnings, and 0 traffic tickets. There were 6 service calls, 1 assist, 20 business checks and 1 arrest. No questions were asked regarding the police report.

**Zoning Report:** Mike S. reports 2 permits have been approved for concrete driveways. The discussion and action on the Zoning Ordinance updates were tabled until the December meeting when the Village Attorney will be present with the updated ordinance.

**Old Business:** Mike B. made a motion to extend the Outdoor dining permit for Rivals on Main and the Feed Lot Bar & Grill for 6 months. The permit would be discussed again in April 2021. Shane 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. It passed unanimously. Discussion on the Antiquity building was tabled until the December board meeting. Tile repair on South Harmony was discussed. The owner has still not fixed the tile, the hole that he dug is still exposed and disagreed with the previous agreement with the Village which was the Village would pay up to \$500.00 and he would pay the remaining balance. Shane made a motion to have the Village repair the issue and send the bill to the owner. Mike S. 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. It passed unanimously.

**New Business:** No action was taken on discussion of leaf burning protocol. Discussing purchasing Ultrasonic water meters and additional SET endpoints was tabled until the December meeting. Currently the Village has around 105 water meters that are not functioning correctly requiring to be hand read and need to be replaced. Mike B. made a motion to approve the 2021 Board Meeting Dates as presented. Jerry 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. Motion carried. Stronghurst Booster Club is holding a Lighted Christmas parade on December 4, 2020 and wanted to make sure the Village has no objections. Jerry made a motion approving the parade. Randy 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. Motion carried. Randy made a motion to do the residential Christmas light contest again with payouts for 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> place. Payouts will be the same as last year. (\$100, \$50, & \$25) Jerry 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. It passed unanimously. Illinois Public Risk Fund grant funds for 2020 are \$523.00. Mike B. made a motion to use the funds to purchase an AED machine for Village Hall. Amanda 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. It passed unanimously.

**Trustees Report:** Mike S. mentioned grants available for businesses at this time due to Covid-19. Hollie will post information on our website and Facebook page.

**Mayor/Clerk/Lawyer Report:** Brendan asked Ronnie to trim back some trees by the Extension Office as they have caused an issue for semi-trucks turning onto Main Street.

**Executive Session:** There was no executive session this meeting.

Mike B. made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Amanda 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. The meeting adjourned at 6:53 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Hollie Allen— Village Clerk/Treas.