**Village of New Holland**

**June 15, 2022**

**6:39 pm**

Public Forum: Jim & Mary Shelton came to address the board regarding the playground equipment on the East side of town that used to be at the old Community Center location.  Their grandchildren use this playground and they want to know if the equipment will be put back up. Jim Shelton inquires about the potholes on the streets that need to be filled.

Roll call: Joni McAllister, Chris Cochran, Steve Andersen, Val Goin

Secretary’s report: Joni McAllister motioned to approve the secretary’s report and Chris Cochran seconded the motion.  Roll call – Joni McAllister, Chris Cochran, Steve Andersen, Val Goin

Treasurer’s report: Joni McAllister motioned to approve the treasurer’s report.  Val Goin seconded the motion. Roll call - Joni McAllister, Chris Cochran, Steve Andersen, Val Goin

Old business:

Water infrastructure grant: Milano and Grunloh engineers joined the meeting to educate the board on some of the options they have to update the water infrastructure in New Holland.  They recommend doing a test well.  They also explained that we have the option to buy water from a nearby town instead of building and maintaining a treatment plant in New Holland.

Action/discussion of test well: The board has decided that a test well is necessary. Discussion and action will be made at the July meeting.

Sidewalks: The board has a couple of bids but would like to talk to a couple more companies.  The decision is being tabled until July.

Golf cart ordinance: Tabled until July

Downtown development: The locks at the café have been replaced.  Three new businesses have been registered in New Holland.  Joni McAllister motioned to accept a bid to renovate the community center after the transfer is complete.  Chris Cochran seconded the motion. Roll call - Joni McAllister, Chris Cochran, Steve Andersen, Val Goin

Ditch on Delevan St.: Tabled until July

Town clean up: Town cleanup was June 18th.  Guy and Rose cleaned out the town shed.

Trees: Trustee Chris Cochran replanted 3 trees that Mayor Coers donated to the Village.

New business:

Resignation of current treasurer: Lesley Bridge resigned at treasurer.  Letter accepted by Mayor Coers.

Appoint and swear in a new treasurer: The vacancy will be filled at the July meeting.

Water department employee: Mayor Coers has presented Mike Burris to be the Village’s liaison during the upcoming construction and take care of the water  billing.  Mike additionally will be the water department’s main contact in the event of needed shut off requests, disconnection of service and/or normal service issues.  Cochran motioned to hire Mike Burris at 30 dollars an hour.  Joni McAllister seconded the motion.  Roll call – Joni McAllister, Chris Cochran, Steve Andersen, Val Goin

Village audit:  Val Goin motioned to continue using the same business that did them last year.  Joni McAllister seconded the motion.

Part time employee wages:  The village employees have requested an increase in wages to 15 dollars an hour.  Joni McAllister motioned to approve the wage increase for all village employees.  Steve Andersen seconded the motion.  Roll call – Joni McAllister, Chris Cochran, Steve Andersen, Val Goin

Motor fuel estimate:  The motor fuel estimate for 2022 is $56,440.

EDDM newsletter: The board wants to form committees to prepare for the sesquicentennial.  A newsletter will be sent out quarterly to keep all residents in the 62671 zip code up to date with events and services available to the community.

New Holland food pantry: Tabled until July

Fiber optics grant: Logan County would like a letter of support for their application of a fiber optics grant.  The grant will benefit all of Logan County.

Playground equipment: The playground equipment will be moved to the south end of the parcel owned by the Village instead of behind the old high school.

NH development and planning board: The town board would like to put together a committee of citizens to listen to business proposals.

Water infrastructure committee: It has been proposed that a committee is formed after the water infrastructure is remodeled.  The committee would provide input on projects before bringing them before the town board.

Partnership of Illinois:  Chris Cochran and Annie Coers met with Community Action Partnership of Central Illinois.  They will provide meals to anyone in the community above 60 at the café.  An information meeting will be held at a later date.

Parcel 16-017-021-50: Tabled until July

Security cameras: The security cameras at the community center will be turned on after the building is transferred.

Harnacke Builders gift: Joni McAllister motioned to give Cameron Harnacke a $100 gas gift card for hanging the Veterans’ banners.  Chris Cochran seconded the motion.  Roll call - Joni McAllister, Chris Cochran, Steve Andersen, Val Goin

Town snow plow repair: The board wants the snowplow repaired before winter.  Val Goin has arranged a service appointment to get a quote for the repairs.  Will be discussed at the July meeting.

Joni McAllister motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:13 pm.  Val Goin seconded the motion.

Minutes prepared by Clerk Kahlan Merriman

June 21st special meeting

Roll call: Dan Dean, Joni McAllister, Chris Cochran, Jim Rehmann, Steve Andersen, Val Goin

6:30 pm

Dan motioned to approve the update of the lease of 103 W Lincoln St.  Val seconded the motion.  Roll call – Dan Dean, Joni McAllister, Chris Cochran, Jim Rehmann, Steve Andersen, Val Goin

Val Carnes and Paul Saba who own Frothy Bottom Bar will now be leasing the building.  They believe that the best way to get people back in the café is to have consistent hours.  There are a couple of things that need to be fixed like, wrapping the HVAC and putting up the gutters.

Meeting adjourned at 7:10 pm

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