

**VILLAGE OF DAVIS
BOARD MEETING MINUTES OF
SEPTEMBER 10, 2024**

The meeting was brought to order in the Village Municipal Building at 7:05 PM. President Olson took roll call with the following present: Mike Wise, Rich Rote, Kim Satness, Chelsey Scheid, Brittney Kunz, and Jodie Pieper. Only Judy LaFurge was not present. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

The Consent Agenda consisting of the minutes of the August meeting, Treasurer's Report, bills to be paid and the late utility bill listing was reviewed. The following additional invoices were included to the bills to be paid at this time: TR Machine for \$7.46, Johnson Oil for \$421.09, and BK Concrete for \$9,000.00. A motion to accept the Consent Agenda, including the additional invoices, was approved with a motion by Jody and a second by Rich – carried.

Joyce Phillips was present for public comments and asked if it was researched who was responsible for liability if there was damage from trees that are on village property but that residents are responsible for the maintenance of the trees on that property. At this point, research has not been done but will be looked into. She had estimates from Blooms Tree Service for the two trees on the village property adjacent to theirs in front of their home. It was \$1575.00 to cut the one down and \$875.00 to trim the second one. We are still waiting for an estimate from Backwoods Trees Service when they come to take care of the trees in the cemetery. Joyce also mentioned she spoke with ComEd and was told they will be trimming trees in the village next year. Mike feels that we need to act according to our ordinance in place and keep responsibility for the care to the residents. Rich feels the village should be responsible for the trees on the village property as the trees were planted by the village and residents were not asked permissions. Joyce questioned if home buyers will be notified of their responsibility before buying a property, no answer was given but ordinances are available for public viewing.

Due to scheduling conflicts, the October meeting was moved to the fourth Tuesday, October 22nd at 7:00 PM. Mike moved and Brittney seconded to approve this change – carried.

The search for a new auditor continues. Steve is reaching out to other villages to see who does their work.

Water/Sewer

Steve will meet with Willett Hofmann on September 11th to go over schematics of the water project to be presented to the board and put out for bids next year.

Mapping of shut offs, hydrants, etc. has been started on Webb, a little on Lee, and in Davis Heights. So far there have been a lot that can't be found and will have to be taken care of in Phase 2.

The EPA will be doing an audit of the water system and pumphouse on September 19th and Steve feels that we should receive favorable results.

Cemetery

Walker Mortuary had to be contacted twice before a check was received for the Beatrice Carrera service this summer.

Streets/Alleys

A resident on Turner Street laid a new driveway and then complained about the new sidewalk damaging their drive, even though they had been made aware of the work that was going to be done.

Parks/Trees

Fehr Graham gave an estimate of cost for the plans presented to the board for the park project. The project total was estimated at \$602,930.00. This estimate is to be submitted with the application. At this time, Rich made a motion to advance forward with the application for the project. Mike seconded the motion – carried.

Garbage

Steve reached out to Gill's and is going to contact other companies for bids and options for new and more detailed contracts. He will be talking with Waste Management also. There were some complaints about this week's pickups and it was found there was a new driver and that everything will be taken care of.

Police

There were no updates but the county is hiring new officers and is closer to having a full staff. There will be another meeting at the end of the year with the sheriff and village presidents.

There have been three notices sent out to the residents feeding the feral cats. The fourth notice will include a fine. Mike moved and Rich seconded to approve the notice to be sent with the fine.

Rosehill Apartments

The storm doors have sent and will be installed soon. Ray has sealed the new sign and this will be done twice a year.

Liquor

No updates.

Rich said there is a tree at Turner and Webb that is dead and needs to be taken down. Notice needs to be sent to the resident.

Steve mentioned that Mike, Judy, and Rich's trustee positions are done in the spring as well as the vacant position needs to be filled. Petitions are available from Steve or Kim and are due back to Kim by the week of November 11 – 18, 2024.

Rich said he was contacted and informed that election judges are needed for election day. He also mentioned that Town and Country are applying for a grant to redo the sidewalk in front of the community building.

Rich moved and Brittney seconded the motion to adjourn until the next regular session on October 22nd – carried. The meeting adjourned at 7:50 PM.

ATTEST:

Kimberly K. Satness
Village Clerk