**Village of Dakota Board Meeting - Dakota Village Hall - 112 Main St Dakota, IL**

**Monday, August 5th, 2024**

**Called to Order 6:31 P.M.**

Board Members Attending – Alisha Lizer, Ken Vrazsity, Jon Riley, Eric Lizer, Kaytlyn Vrazsity

Board Members Absent – Diane Clay, Jeremy Knox

Clerk – McKenzie Holste

Treasurer- Melody Sweet

Public Attendees – Jeff Kinney, Jeff Kluck, Jill Peppin

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**Approve Agenda**

Add 28. Halloween Dates

* **A Motion made by Eric to approve the agenda for Monday, August 5th, 2024, seconded by Ken, all in favor, motion carried.**

**Approve Minutes**

* **A motion was made by Jon to approve the minutes for July 1st, seconded by Ken, all in favor, motion carried.**

**Approve Bills**

* **A Motion made by Jon to approve the bills as of August 5th, 2024 seconded by Eric, all in favor, motion carried.**

Discussion was had about the debit card transactions being generated in the report. Melody will begin preparing this. The Verizon bill was questioned, and Alisha will be contacting them in regard to the bill being higher than the quoted price.

A few CDs will be maturing in October, so the board made note.

Review Time Sheets- No discussion.

Resident Permits & Requests-

345 W. Shaeffer- Permit was approved by Alisha and Ken.

No new requests.

**New Business**

WasteWater Treatment Facility (WWTF) Updates- Lift station has been dug out and the third pond is currently being dug out. Everything is running on schedule.

The wrong size tractor was ordered, so Alisha did not accept deliver and a resolution is being worked on.

WWTF Approval of ILEPA WPC Loan Request Including #2 Kelsey Excavating Pay Application and #2 Willett Hoffman & Associates Invoices-

July 15th Storm Updates- Several trees and debris all throughout town that Jeff has gotten cleaned up. We lost power so both lift stations were down. Dash pluming had to come to pump out lift station #2. The invoice was not received yet.

Discuss and Approve Tree Removal Quote for Trees Damaged by Storm- The storm caused damage to village trees that Jeff got quoted for removal.

**A motion made by Jon to approve Backwoods Tree Removal for 4 storm damage trees, Cht for a total of $3,500, seconded by Kaytlyn, all in favor, motion carried.**

Test INC Updates- Started as of July 1st. Working with Melody and Alisha to create new accounts with suppliers. Until now, Steve had handled everything. So far, the company has been good to work with and they are sharing a lot of good information about our system.

Pipe Replacement on Water Tower Update- The overflow pipe is now replaced, however, there was no backflow filter while the pipe was open. Therefore, the water tower needs to be drained and cleaned.

While Ceroni was fixing the pipe, they noted that pipe expanders would help ensure that pipes did not continue to break. Allowing them to flex. Ceroni is working on putting together information and quoting for this.

Discuss and Approval of Stand Pipe Cleaning- Due to the open pi

Discuss and Approve of Purchasing Water Boil Signage- 5 Entrances to the town. Would be nice to place at each entrance on days of Water Boil

**Eric approve at a cost of no more than $75, seconded by Ken**

Discuss and Approve Wall Heaters for Pump Houses- All heaters are dead. In order to be prepared for the winter season, new ones need to be ordered for the winter. 1 per chemical room is necessary. Bringing options back to the September meeting.

Discuss and Approve Dehumidifiers for Pump Houses- Recommended by Test INC. to have one in each pump room.

**A motion made by Jon to approve the not to exceed $340, eric second, all in favor, motion passes.**

Discuss and Approve Gallagher Engineering Agreement for Street Repairs- June 18th of 2024 in order to use all rebuild $. Need to start with an Engineering Firm.

A motion made by Jon to approve Gallagher Engineering to do the Engineering work for $4,450, Ken, all in favor, motion carried.

Discuss Water Main Locating and GPS Mapping- There are services that will provide GPS Mapping without the subscription fees. Jeff would do the locating manually, and then the GPS locating would be done.

Discuss and Approve Wage Ordinance-

Sidewalk Removal-

Discuss and Approve Gravel Purchase for Repairs- Jeff

Eric not to exceed $300, seconded by Ken, all in favor, motion carried.

Nuisance Violations for 211 E. Zimmerman- Letter

Discuss Village of Dakota Shirts for Public Works and Board Members- Village provide Jeff’s Board Members are responsible for their own. $25 per t-shirt, $16 if their own shirt is provided. 5 T-Shirts, Jeff will pick out sizing and colors.

A motion was made by to approve 5-shirts at the cost of no more than $150, kaytlyn, motion passes.

Yard of the Month- Davis 300 E. Davis St.

Evelyn

Review Newsletter for Residents- Not completely finished.

Discuss Second Meeting for August- No.

Discuss Changing Meeting Date for September- September 16th. Only meeting in September

Halloween- Thursday, October 31st, 2024 from 5-7 pm

New Business-

Jeff will requote the tube at the end of 301 W Zimmerman

**Old Business**

Old Clerk Desk- Possible Donation to Historical Society Update-

Rock Run Historical Society claimed this.

New Village Auditor-

No New Updates

Discuss Option for Repairing or Replacing Village Hall-

Tabled for now.

Nature Path Tree Trimming-

Cation sign? Get this quote? Jeff’s fixing.

Future Planning for Snow Emergency Parking Ordinance-

Not ready for a second meeting.

Televising Sewer Drains-

Tabled.

Discuss Need for Barricade at Zimmerman St. and Baird St.-

No update.

Any Additional Old Business-

**Village Maintenance and Public Works- Jeff Kluck**

1. Discuss Weekly Yard Waste Pick Up

This will be done weekly now that Jeff is full-time and able to handle this workload instead of our previous part time schedule.

2. Monthly Village Maintenance Report

Jeff presented a list of small purchases needed to complete upkeep projects throughout the village.

**A motion was made by Eric to approve the miscellaneous purchases at Menards for up to $300, seconded by Jeremy, all in favor, motion carries.**

**A motion was made by Ken to approve Jeff in is maintenance position to spend up to $300 a month for the next six (6) months and be reviewed again, seconded by Jeremy all in favor, motion carried.**

Alisha is going to discuss with a homeowner to clear the fire hydrant for future painting.

The board presented a tree for upkeep across from the community hall. The board would also like Jeff to get a quote on some necessary equipment for tree maintenance. Discussion was had about the painting of the crosswalks.

Jeff presented the need for maintainers to be prepared when equipment is needed. Alisha was able to find the item on Amazon.

**A motion made by Eric to approve the purchase of two maintainers at $60 from Amazon, seconded by Jon, all in favor, motion carried.**

**Board Member Committee Reports**

Sewer – Power outage took the sewer pond completely out. Jeff caught this outage and was able to handle the issue with Alisha over the weekend.

Water – The previous quote passed for Ceroni to fix the pipe on the water tower was no longer valid due to a larger lift being necessary.

A motion was made by Jon for Ceroni piping to repair the 8” 90 PVC pipe on the water tower Not-To-Exceed $6,156.00, seconded by Ken, all in favor, motion carried.

Continued discussion on need for a generator. Waiting for sewer project to finalize if it was included in the bid.

Park & Community Center – The board agreed on a water fountain. Alisha is going to look into the necessary steps to purchase this using the tax exemption.

**A motion was made by Eric to purchase a water fountain Not-To-Exceed $4,000, seconded by Jeremy, all in favor, motion carried.**

Property Repairs & Maintenance-Ken is meeting with Handyman Connection to quote the pump house doors this week.

Streets and Sidewalks –

No further discussion on streets and sidewalks tonight.

Trees & Signs –

No quotes have been received yet for stump removal.

**Public Comments**

There is a vacant lot on North Street that is breaking weed ordinance guidelines. Kenzie will send a notice.

Jeff is going to look into Baird St. and Davis St. cleaned up.

Jeff is going create a map of the power lines that the trees need trimmed up. While he is doing this he is going to make a note of the poles that need replaced as well. This will be one report to send to ComEd to see what they are able to complete.

**A motion was made by Eric to close the open session and open closed session, seconded by Jeremy, all in favor, motion passes.**

**Enter Executive Session (Closed Session)**

Pursuant to Open Meetings Act 5 ILCS 120/2©(1 the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of a specific employee or legal counsel for the public body; collective negotiating matters or deliberations concerning salary schedules for one or more classes of employees.

**A motion made by Eric to end closed session, seconded by Jeremy, all in favor, motion carried.**

**A motion made by Jon to resume public session, seconded by Ken, all in favor, motion carried.**

**Public Comments**

None

**Adjourn**

* **At 8:38 p.m. A motion was made by Jeremy to adjourn, seconded by Eric, all in favor, motion carried.**