

Village of New Athens
905 Spotsylvania Street
Board Meeting of the Board of Trustees

Meeting Date: April 04, 2022

Meeting Time: 7:30 PM

Date Posted: March 31, 2022

1. Call to Order by Presiding Officer
2. Roll Call
3. Visitors and Public Comment
4. Approve Minutes of the March 21, 2022 meeting and dispense with oral reading
 - 4.1 Motion to accept the minutes
5. Reports and Communication
 - 5.1 Mayor
 - 5.1.1 Vote: Gary Kearns, village board trustee appointment**
 - 5.1.2 Sent letters to State Representatives and Senators supporting increase in state income tax payments to municipalities**
 - 5.1.3 Sent email to Brad Cole, Executive Director of IML and Judy Nelson, Executive Director of the Southwestern Illinois Council of Mayors requesting changes in State Caps for property tax funds**
 - 5.1.4 Placing John Feder on the Finance Committee**
 - 5.1.5 Placing Arlene Geppert as Chairman of the to be formed Public Safety, Ambulance and ADA Committee**
 - 5.1.6 Placing Debby Politsch as a member of the to be formed Public Safety, Ambulance and ADA Committee**
 - 5.1.7 Replacing Arlene Geppert as chairman of the Streets and Alleys Committee with Gary Kearns subject to the board's approval of the Mayor's appointment of Kearns**
 - 5.1.8 Placing Arlene Geppert as a member of the Streets and Alleys Committee**
 - 5.2 Village Clerk
 - 5.2.1 Appraisal for 1002 Spotsylvania to protest property taxes**
 - 5.2.2 SOCS Website Launch**
 - 5.3 Treasurer
 - 5.4 Police Chief
 - 5.5 Superintendent of Public Works and Buildings
 - 5.5.1 KWD Parking**
 - 5.6 Ambulance Service Director
6. Report of Standing Committees
 - 6.1 Streets and Alleys
 - 6.2 Finance and Audit
 - 6.2.1 Audit Committee Motion to approve payment of monthly bills**
 - 6.3 Water and Sewer
 - 6.4 Personnel, Public Safety/ADA
 - 6.4.1 Update from 3/22/22 Meeting**
 - 6.4.2 Appointment of Officer Brad Penet for fulltime, nights**

6.4.3 Appointment of EMT Gabrielle Johnson

6.4.4 Resolution No. 2021-14 Establishing Wages May 01, 2022

6.5 Public Property and Parks

6.5.1 Okaw Valley Park Reservation Permit Update

6.6 Cemetery

6.7 Improvements and Grants

6.7.1 DCEO Sidewalk Grant Update

6.7.2 Tree City USA

6.8 Ordinance

7. Report of Special Committees

8. Presentation of Communications, petitions, resolutions, orders, and ordinances by the Board of Trustees

8.1 Vote on Resolution No. 2021-15 Formation of ADHOC Marina Committee

8.2 Vote on Resolution No. 2021-16 Termination of Personnel, ADA, & Public Safety Committee; formation of Personnel Committee and separate Public Safety, Ambulance and ADA Committee

9. Current Unfinished Business

Public Property

Marina

1. 2/21/22 Chief Leo sending contract to boat owner for signature.
2. Renovate electrical outlets, currently rebuilding structure.
3. Property Committee scheduling a meeting at the Marina.

Streets & Alleys

1. Sewer Cleanout Project- no additional blocks completed

Date	Total Blocks Completed
10/04/21	8
11/01/21	18
01/03/22	23
02/07/22	24
3/21/22	26

2. Quote on water line collapse 108 North Market. \$65k estimate- not covered by insurance. John Feder will research repairing the line in-house using a remote model car. John Feder personally bought pipe and is going to try to install it.

Other

1. Consider increasing Video Gaming Terminal Fees in June 2022. Smithton is considering increasing to \$125 per terminal.

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Other Plans and Issues

Marina

1. Plans for the River House
2. Plans for Boat Slip

Business Development

1. Billy Cumberland (Steamboat Building) is not going to proceed until next Spring due to Cov-19 concerns. He is planning on six employees.
2. We received an inquiry regarding Wade Boat Dealer building. There is interest in putting an RV Repair Facility in the building. Nothing will proceed until after May 2022.

Other

1. Village of New Athens v Napier Citizens Bank. Hearing status meeting was held, and we are preparing a proposed order which will avoid a full hearing and the need to get estimates on repairing residence. Giving Napier buyer 90 days to come up with financing, if not, proceeding with plans for village to take possession and demolish.
2. Steve Newbold working with Solar Solutions on proposal for solar for sewer plant.
3. Amy working with Ameren to get energy survey for grant for energy improvements.

10. Motion to Adjourn