6:30 p.m. The regular meeting of the Village Board of Trustees was called to order by Mayor Behnken. A roll call was answered aye by Trustees Newbold, Politsch, Kearns, Fitzgerald, Geppert and Feder. Also present were Chris Remick, Superintendent of Public Works and Andy Fauth, Village Treasurer.

VISITORS

Bill Wilson, Matt Ridlen, Brad Van Hoose, and Mark Schreder, were present for observation.

READINGOF THE JOURNAL(MINUTES)

The minutes from the May 01, 2023, board meeting had been distributed for approval.

A motion was made by Trustee Newbold, seconded by Trustee Fitzgerald, to approve the minutes from the May 01, 2023, board meeting. A vote was answered aye by all members present.

The minutes from the April 24, 2023, COW meeting had been distributed for approval.

A motion was made by Trustee Feder, seconded by Trustee Politsch, to approve the COW minutes from the April 24, 2023, meeting. A vote was answered aye by all members present.

 REPORTS AND COMMUNICATION

MAYOR

A request was made by Mayor Behnken to get uniform email addresses with separate domain for the Village and the PD through Computype. The cost would be a onetime fee of $429.00 for the Village and $78.00 a month thereafter. A one-time fee of $459.00 for the PD and $44 a month thereafter.

A motion was made by Trustee Feder and seconded by Trustee Newbold to table this for 30 days.

A request to move forward with the Village portion of uniform email addresses with Computype was made.

A motion was made by Trustee Newbold and seconded by Trustee Kearns to move forward with the Village portion of uniform email addresses. A roll call vote was answered aye by all members present.

A request was made to have Computype meet with our new Police Chief and Dept Heads to go over the email migration process at a cost of $90.00.

A motion was made by Trustee Feder and seconded by Trustee Newbold to pay Computype $90.00 to come to the Village and explain the process of the email migration to all Dept Heads. A roll call vote was answered aye by all members present, except Trustee Fitzgerald voted nay.

A request was made by Mayor Behnken that a motion be made to go into executive session at the end of the meeting to discuss appointments for the new Police Chief and ESDA Coordinator.

A motion was made by Trustee Geppert and seconded by Trustee Newbold to go into executive session at the end of the meeting to discuss the appointments of new Police Chief and ESDA Coordinator. A vote was answered aye by all members present.

VILLAGECLERK

The Deputy Clerk had nothing to report.

TREASURER’STIME

A request was made by Mayor Behnken to approve the March 2023 treasurer’s report.

A motion was made by Trustee Newbold, seconded by Trustee Politsch, to approve the March 2023 treasurer’s report. A vote was answered aye by all members present.

Treasurer Andy Fauth stated he would like to consolidate our checking accounts going from nineteen accounts down to seven accounts.

A motion was made by Trustee Newbold and seconded by Trustee Politsch to consolidate our checking accounts from nineteen to seven. A vote was answered aye by all members present.

POLICECHIEF

Chief Simburger was not present.

SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC WORKS AND BUILDINGS

Chris Remick stated that H&M Backhoe was going to get started on the project May 22, 2023.

AMBULANCE SERVICE DIRECTOR

Director Green was not present.

A request was made by resident Donna Helton that a form be submitted to get a special needs/handicapped person registered for ambulance service. This notice was submitted to Joshua and Andrew on 04/26/23.

EMT classes are to start on July 6, 2023. They will run for 14 weeks, one night a week on Thursday. Insurance and background checks will need to be done on all students.

 REPORTOFSTANDINGCOMMITTEES

STREETS AND ALLEYS

A request was made by resident Eugene Whaley that a stop sign be installed at the intersection of Elizabeth and Berthold, we will have Chris Remick look into this to see if it is necessary.

A request was made by resident Donna Helton that a “Special Needs Handicapped Person Near” sign be put on 101 S Market Street. Chris Remick will speak with her to see exactly where she would like it placed.

FINANCE AND AUDIT

Nothing to report.

WATERANDSEWER

Discussion was made to send Frank Srogus a registered letter stating that he owes the money for the high-water bill that he received and was disputing.

PERSONNEL

Nothing to report.

PUBLIC PROPERTY AND PARKS

Nothing to report.

CEMETERY

Treasurer Andy Fauth stated that the VFW will fix up the monument at the cemetery.

ORDINANCE

A request was made by Mayor Behnken to turn over the ordinance violation for 202 St. Clair to our Village Attorney.

A motion was made by Trustee Newbold and seconded by Trustee Fitzgerald to turn the ordinance violation for 202 St. Clair over to the Village Attorney. A roll call vote was answered aye by all members present.

A request was made by Mayor Behnken to turn over the ordinance violation for 502 S Johnson to our Village Attorney.

A motion was made by Trustee Politsch and seconded by Trustee Feder to turn the ordinance violation for 502 S, Johnson over to the Village Attorney. A roll call vote was answered aye by all members present.

A request was made by Mayor Behnken to turn over the ordinance violation for 1105 S Mill to our Village Attorney.

A motion was made by Trustee Newbold and seconded by Trustee Politsch to turn the ordinance violation for 1105 S. Mill over to the Village Attorney. A roll call vote was answered aye by all members present.

IMPROVEMENTS AND GRANTS

Trustee Politsch mentioned that the Arbor Day Celebration turned out really nice. And the Tree board is meeting on May 24, 2023

PUBLIC SAFETY/ADA

Trustee Geppert stated that the air conditioner was fixed for Charlie 19.

MARINA

Nothing to report.

REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES

Nothing to report.

COMMUNICATIONS, PETITIONS, RESOLUTIONS, ORDERS AND ORDINANCES

A request was made by Mayor Behnken to approve the Wage Increase effective May 1, 2023.

A motion was made by Trustee Feder and seconded by Trustee Politsch to approve the Wage Increase effective May 1, 2023. A vote was answered aye by all members present.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Nothing to report.

MOTION TO ADJOURN

A motion was made by Trustee Politsch and seconded by Trustee Feder, to move the meeting to Executive Session at 7:33 p.m. A vote was answered aye by all members present.

A motion was made by Trustee Fitzgerald and Seconded by Trustee Kearns to adjourn the meeting at 7:40 pm. A vote was answered aye by all members present.

 Joe Behnken, Village President

Amy Ohlendorf, Village Clerk