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, Wilson, and Feder. Also present were Chris Remick, Superintendent of Public Works and Andy Fauth, Village Treasurer. Absent- Arlene Geppert

VISITORS

Marla Bertschinger, Brenda Criswell, Richard Fitzgerald, Terry Politsch, Derrin Steinwagner and Jeremy Ditezel, Lisa Johnson- here to observe.

Mark Schreder- was present and spoke on the marina project.

Geno Triefenbach- was present and spoke about the city fixing potholes at the NAIL.

Karla Blades- just wanted to thank the street department for fixing her parking lot.

Tom Klopmeyer- he had some ideas for the sewer issues that we turned down, open to suggestions, wanted to know if it was his land or an easement, John Feder stated it was not an easement.

Kevin Dietzel- would like the sidewalk fixed in front of his house for his disabled daughter at 305 S Clinton.

READINGOF THE JOURNAL(MINUTES)

The minutes from the Feb 19, 2023 board meeting had been distributed for approval.

A motion was made by Trustee Newbold, seconded by Trustee Politsch, to approve the minutes from the Feb 19, 2023, board meeting as presented. A vote was answered aye by all members present.

REPORTS AND COMMUNICATION

MAYOR

An ordinance to vacate a portion of abandon Oakridge Road and deed to New Beginnings.

A motion was made by Trustee Newbold, seconded by Trustee Politsch, to move item 8.1 to the front of the agenda. A vote was answered aye by all members.

A request was made to vacate a portion of abandon Oakridge Road and deed to New Beginnings.

A motion was made by Trustee Feder, seconded by Trustee Newbold, to vacate a portion of Oakridge Road and deed to New Beginnings. A vote was answered aye by all members.

We found the correct mailing address for Alicia Hanna the owner of the property at 202 St. Clair St. A second letter was sent to her to request her to take care of the issues at her property.

A motion by Trustee Newbold, and seconded by Trustee Feder was made to table the nuisance complaint against Alicia Hanna now that we have her correct mailing address. We will resend and wait for a response from her. A vote was answered aye by all members.

VILLAGECLERK

The Village Clerk had nothing to report.

TREASURER’STIME

The Treasurer had nothing to report.

POLICECHIEF

Chief Simburger nothing to report.

SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC WORKS AND BUILDINGS

Chris Remick stated he attended the Core of Engineers meeting, and they predicted moderate flood stage, and you can go to the website to see what the water levels are for New Athens

AMBULANCE SERVICE DIRECTOR

Director Green was not present.

 REPORTOFSTANDINGCOMMITTEES

STREETS AND ALLEYS

Nothing to report.

FINANCE AND AUDIT

The Audit Committee reviewed the monthly bills and recommended they be approved as presented.

A motion was made by Trustee Newbold, seconded by Trustee Politsch, to approve the payment of the monthly bills as presented. A vote was answered aye by all members present.

WATERANDSEWER

A request was made to carry forward the request that Fire District pay 50% of the repairs and replacement of said hydrants throughout town.

PERSONNEL

Nothing to report.

PUBLIC PROPERTY AND PARKS

Nothing to report.

CEMETERY

A request was made to have a 6% increase on the grass cutting at the cemetery.

A motion was made by Trustee Newbold and seconded by Trustee Politsch to approve the 6% increase on the grass cutting at the cemetery. A vote was answered aye by all members.

ORDINANCE

Nothing to report.

IMPROVEMENTS AND GRANTS

Nothing to report.

PUBLIC SAFETY/ADA

A request was made to change resource hospitals from Memorial Hospital to St. Elizabeth’s Hospital.

A motion was made by Trustee Politsch, seconded by Trustee Feder, to change resource hospitals from Memorial to St. Elizabeth’s Hospital. A vote was answered aye by all members present.

MARINA

Stan Sirtak presented his proposal for events to be held at the Marina. He stated he would like to have events on every Sunday starting on Sunday June 25, 2023 and to include BBQ, and Music. Following July 30th, Aug 13th, Sept 10th. He would need electricity and suggested that be provided by the village. He would also have portable bathrooms.

REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES

Nothing to report.

COMMUNICATIONS, PETITIONS, RESOLUTIONS, ORDERS AND ORDINANCES

Nothing to report.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Nothing to report.

MOTION TO ADJOURN

There being no further business, a motion was made by Trustee Newbold, seconded by Trustee Politsch, to adjourn the meeting at 7:34 p.m. A vote was answered aye by all members present.

 Joe Behnken, Village President

Amy Ohlendorf, Village Clerk