

# VILLAGE OF OAKWOOD

Regular Board Meeting Minutes – May 16, 2022

## CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Heather McArty called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm.

ROLL CALL	PRESENT	ABSENT	OTHERS PRESENT
Cathi Fritz	X		Caroline Darr – Int. EMS Coordinator
Lindsey Light	X		Dustin Henderson – Supt. Of Public Works
Bob Parr	X		Julie Leverenz – Office Manager
Doit Roberts	X		Lori Fields – EMS Billing
Ferrell Stroh	X		
Robert Wright	X		

## APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

Mayor McArty asked for a motion to approve the minutes.

Bob Parr made a motion to approve April 2022 minutes with a second from Lindsey Light.

	Cathi Fritz	Lindsey Light	Bob Parr	Doit Roberts	Ferrell Stroh	Robert Wright
Yes	X	X	X	X	X	X
Nays						
Absent						

Motion Carried

## APPROVAL OF BILLS

<b>GENERAL FUND</b>	\$ 51,632.76	<b>POLICE</b>	\$ 5,030.00
<b>ROADS/BRIDGES</b>	\$ 407.10	<b>EMERGENCY RESCUE</b>	\$ 4,137.90

Mayor McArty asked for a motion to approve the monthly bills.

Farrell Stroh made a motion to approve the monthly bills, seconded by Bob Parr.

	Cathi Fritz	Lindsey Light	Bob Parr	Doit Roberts	Ferrell Stroh	Robert Wright
Yes	X	X	X	X	X	X
Nays						
Absent						

Motion Carried

## GUESTS

The new owner of B & W Disposal came and introduced himself. Explained the need for several changes to pick up day etc., and looks forward to working with the Village and its residents.

Bill Hill voiced concerns regarding the speeding happening on the main street. He stated that any of the board members or anyone from the police department could come with a radar gun and sit on his front porch.

Terry Hume voiced concerns regarding the broken backboard on the basketball court and the finishing up of the sidewalk project grass and asked if ordinances were being sent for grass height violations.

### VILLAGE HALL REPORT

- The final audit report has been received, and there were no significant findings. The comptroller's office stated they saw issues with municipalities receiving their final reports for auditors across the state.
- The auditor apologized and explained they would be changing their processes to prevent the lateness of reports being submitted.
- Major McArty stated that a plan B needs to be figured out, and this coming fall, try to get scheduled with another firm for the following year.

### PUBLIC WORKS REPORT

- The department has been busy with mowing. Additional help will start on June 1.
- At this time, the new park bleachers have been placed, but once things slow down, they will work on pouring the cement pads for those that are permanent.
- Dump Day is still scheduled for June 4 as a one-day format.
- The big trailer tires are worn and will need to be replaced.
- It was decided to remove the old horseshoe pits as these are a hazard.

Robert Wright made a motion to approve the purchase of tires for the trailer, seconded by Lindsey Light.

	Cathi Fritz	Lindsey Light	Bob Parr	Doit Roberts	Ferrell Stroh	Robert Wright
Yes	X	X	X	X	X	X
Nays						
Absent						

Motion Carried

### POLICE REPORT

- The monthly report was provided to the board.
- Mayor McArty updated the board that the mechanic is still waiting for the Explorer's transmission.

### EMERGENCY RESCUE REPORT

- The monthly report was provided.
- Lori reported next month's report would be a new year as 2022 will be ending next month.

### MFT APPROPRIATIONS

Mayor McArty asked for a motion to approve the MFT appropriations of \$80,000 for 2022 presented by Lisa Lashuway at the May study session.

Bob Parr made a motion to approve the MFT appropriations of \$80,000 for 2022, seconded by Ferrell Stroh.

	Cathi Fritz	Lindsey Light	Bob Parr	Doit Roberts	Ferrell Stroh	Robert Wright
Yes	X	X	X	X	X	X
Nays						
Absent						

Motion Carried

### TIF 1 BUSINESS REQUEST

Mayor McArty wanted to provide the board with an update on the TIF business request where the property purchase is part of the project. With the TIF request being submitted, an appraisal of the property is required. The owner is asking \$30,000, and the estimate came back at \$8,600.

### VILLAGE CERTIFICATE OF DEPOSITS

Mayor McArty updated the board on a certificate of deposits maturing on June 15. At this time, they will not be renewed while the Village will be exploring options that will provide a higher rate of return.

Lindsey Light motioned to approve not renewing at this time and explore other options with a higher rate of return, seconded by Robert Wright.

	Cathi Fritz	Lindsey Light	Bob Parr	Doit Roberts	Ferrell Stroh	Robert Wright
Yes	X	X	X	X	X	X
Nays						
Absent						

Motion Carried

### PARK PROJECTS

Mayor McArty reported to the board that Farnsworth's proposal for the sewer infrastructure came in at \$14,615. The interior improvements bid is still in the process of being developed.

D. Roberts asked the board if the basketball court could be striped. D. Henderson said he would look into this. There was also a discussion on installing chain hoop nets since the standard rope nets do not last very long.

C. Fritz asked when and how the Village plans to get a sidewalk to the park. It was stated the approved MFT funds were part of the plan. D. Henderson said there are many things to consider with utilities and the reclaiming of part of a lot.

### PUBLIC NUISANCE

Mayor McArty presented to the board the ordinance that adds additional public nuisance and violations presented at the last study session.

Bob Parr made a motion to approve the updated public nuisance ordinance, seconded by Lindsey Light.

	Cathi Fritz	Lindsey Light	Bob Parr	Doit Roberts	Ferrell Stroh	Robert Wright
Yes		X	X	X	X	X
Nays	X					
Absent						

Motion Carried

## WATER RATES FOLLOW-UP

C. Fritz reported that five villages pursued the ICC water increase. They were not successful in lessening the increase. The attorney representing them suggested that others must go to their legislators and file complaints as individuals.

## RADAR SIGNS

There was a discussion on the status of purchasing the radar signs and the installation of these signs. B. Parr felt the Village was not provided with the accurate accuracy of the signs based on the location and thought they should be returned and look into ones that would fit the needs of the Village. It was recommended that a committee research what would work, and this committee come back to the board with better options.

Ferrell Stroh made a motion to return the radar signs and have a committee do more research and report back to the board, seconded by Bob Parr.

	Cathi Fritz	Lindsey Light	Bob Parr	Doit Roberts	Ferrell Stroh	Robert Wright
Yes		X	X	X	X	X
Nays	X					
Absent						

Motion Carried

## ELECTRICAL SIGN

Mayor McArty provided the board with an update on the electrical sign. The office is still waiting for another quote on the electrical installation. Several options are being looked into, such as boring through a conduit.

## AMBUCS

Mayor McArty asked for a motion to provide AMBUCS with a donation in honor of Richard's name.

Robert Wright made a motion to donate \$300 in honor of Richard Woods, seconded by Doit Roberts.

	Cathi Fritz	Lindsey Light	Bob Parr	Doit Roberts	Ferrell Stroh	Robert Wright
Yes	X	X	X	X	X	X
Nays						
Absent						

Motion Carried

Mayor McArty asked for a motion to go into executive session.

Bob Parr made a motion to go into executive session at 7:48 pm, seconded by Doit Roberts.

	Cathi Fritz	Lindsey Light	Bob Parr	Doit Roberts	Ferrell Stroh	Robert Wright
Yes	X	X	X	X	X	X
Nays						
Absent						

Motion Carried

The board came back into the open session at 8:49 pm.

**OLD VILLAGE HALL**

Bob Parr made a motion to allow the Legion to utilize the old village hall as long as it is available and to put a for sale/lease sign up to see if there is any interest in the building, seconded by Robert Wright.

	Cathi Fritz	Lindsey Light	Bob Parr	Doit Roberts	Ferrell Stroh	Robert Wright
Yes	X	X	X	X		X
Nays						
Absent					X	

Motion Carried

Bob Parr made a motion at 8:51 pm to adjourn, seconded by Lindsey Light.

	Cathi Fritz	Lindsey Light	Bob Parr	Doit Roberts	Ferrell Stroh	Robert Wright
Yes	X	X	X	X	X	X
Nays						
Absent						

Motion Carried

Respectfully submitted,



Connie M. Young, Clerk

Approved on