

The regular meeting of the Village of Divernon Board of Trustees was held on Wednesday, May 23, 2018 at the Divernon Village Hall. Village President Jim Copelin called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. After the Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all in attendance, Clerk Rod Molnar called roll: Jim Copelin "Here", Wayne Jones "Here", Melissa Layton "Here", Daryl Spelman "Here", Larry Baer "Here", Derek Hedges "Here", Dianne Brenning "Here". Also in attendance was Police Chief Barclay Harris.

A motion was made by Hedges and seconded by Spelman to approve the minutes of May 9, 2018. The motion passed 5-0. Brenning voting present.

A motion was made by Baer and seconded by Layton to approve the corrected executive session minutes of May 9, 2018. The motion passed 5-0. Brenning voting present.

Brenning presented the Village bills with a motion that they be approved. Baer seconded and the motion carried 5-0.

*Visitors:*

Misty Grober was in attendance to request permission to have a DJ play for her fifth wedding anniversary that will be outside at her residence on Henrietta Street. She would like permission for him to play until 11:00 p.m. She received permission from the Board and they asked that she talk with her neighbors prior to the event.

Jennifer Banks was in attendance to work out a payment plan for her utility bill. She will have it paid in full by June 20th.

*Supervisors Reports:*

*Public Works:*

Mayor Copelin reported that the new flags have been installed in the park at the Veterans Memorial. The security light in the park pavilion needs some attention.

*Police:*

Chief Harris reported that he and his officers have recently qualified for both pistol and rifle at the range. They also attended training put on by Memorial Medical Center for learning to stop bleeding. They also received taser training and received information from the Child Advocacy Center. Harris has completed work on the police policy and procedures manual. He will have the Village Attorney review it before presenting it to the Board.

*Committee Reports:*

*Zoning, TIF, Building Permits:*

Hedges reported that Evan Lloyd Architects have reviewed electrical and mechanical drawings for the new building on Reichert Road. They have yet to receive any for the exterior of the building. He has completed the draft of the cover letter for the commercial building permit application. He has forwarded it to the Board for their review. Molnar reported that he had met with Bert Barlow the owner of the new building to explain the TIF process to him. A request

may come at a later date. The Zoning Board of Appeals will have their first meeting at 5:30 p.m. on Wednesday June 13, 2018.

*Public Utilities, Water, Sewer and Gas:*

There were no requests for adjustments of utility bills this month. Copelin reported that Jeremy Rhodes will be running a new gas line for Mike Bolash at his shop. Currently one gas line is supplying both his shop and an apartment.

*Finance, Personnel, GIS:*

A motion was made by Spelman and seconded by Hedges to increase the salary of part time police officer Randy Loyd by \$2.21 to bring his salary up to \$14.00 which is the starting pay of part time officers. The motion carried 6-0. Brenning reported that Treasurer Christine Nichols needs to meet with two Board members to finalize the fraud manual prior to the outside auditors visit.

*Public Safety, Health and Safety:*

Layton reported that the clean-up day was a success. A total of \$1080.00 was received in payments to drop off trash. The cost to the Village from Flowers Sanitation was \$1820.00. The cost the last time the Village had clean-up day without a charge was nearly \$4000.00.

*Public Works, Streets, Alleys and Sidewalks:*

Nothing to report.

*Village Communication/Building Grounds and Lights, Parks:*

Spelman will start working on getting a vendor to redesign the Village Website. After a long discussion on how it would be paid for, a motion was made by Layton and seconded by Baer to purchase new playground equipment for the Village Park. The equipment cost of \$23,794.00 will be paid from the TIF fund and the installation and shipping cost of \$11,201.00 will come from the General Fund. The motion carried 6-0.

*Old Business:*

None.

*New Business:*

The annual Memorial Day ceremony will take place at 11:00 a.m. at Brush Creek Cemetery and at Noon at the Village Square.

Motion by Hedges to adjourn at 7:41 p.m.

Jim Copelin  
Village President

Rodney Molnar  
Village Clerk