

The regular meeting of the Village of Divernon Board of Trustees was held on Wednesday, June 27, 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 were Police Chief Barclay Harris and Superintendent Jeremy Rhodes.

A motion was made by Hedges and seconded by Spelman to approve the minutes of June 13, 2018. The motion passed 4-0 with the Mayor voting. Brenning, Jones and Baer voting present.

Brenning presented the Village bills with a motion that they be approved. Baer seconded and the motion carried 6-0.

Visitors:

David Catlin of Maddie's Tavern was in attendance. He gave the Board a detailed description of the "Bike Night" that he will be hosting on August 24, 2018. Events like this normally bring 300 to 500 visitors, but he is planning for up to 1000. He has asked that streets on three sides of the square be blocked off for parking. There will be a band and the entire event will run from 6:00 to 9:00 p.m.

Ben Grober updated the board on the Kids Day that he, his wife and several volunteers are planning for July 15, 2018. There will be two bounce houses along with food, drinks and games. They have secured several donations from local businesses.

Supervisors Reports:

Public Works:

Jeremy Rhodes presented a plan to upgrade farm taps on the natural gas system. The upgrade is required by the ICC. A motion was made by Hedges and seconded by Brenning to complete the upgrade at a cost of \$5210.00. The motion carried 6-0. Ten feet of storm tile had to be replaced at State and Kenney Streets. They were full of tree roots. He and his crew have been clearing tree limbs from alleys and sidewalks and plan to replace 70 feet of sidewalk tomorrow on South First Street. Oil and chipping of the streets is scheduled for July 3, 2018. Baer reported that the new playground equipment is scheduled to arrive the week of July 20th.

Police:

Chief Harris reported that he has been accepting applications for part time police officer and will be bringing qualified candidates to the Board for an interview at a later date. The officer's cell phone needs to be replaced.

Committee Reports:

Zoning, TIF, Building Permits:

Molnar reported that he had spoken with TIF attorney Kathy Orr about the TIF request from Bert Barlow regarding the new building on Reichert Road. She recommended that the Village ask for an itemized list of expenses before entering into an agreement. Copelin will contact Barlow for the information.

A motion was made by Hedges to pass ordinance 2018-004, the Zoning Ordinance with amendments recommended by the Zoning Board of Appeals. Layton seconded and the motion carried 6-0. Hedges reported that he has completed the new cover letter for commercial building permit applications and has sent it to Office Manager Rideout to add to the packet. Copelin gave an update on the gas station properties. He has spoken with the realtor handling the property. They are still waiting on NFR reports from the EPA, but are accepting bids. He said there has been a lot of interest. They want to sell both of the properties together.

Public Utilities, Water, Sewer and Gas:

Marc Bourne asked that a late fee be removed for one of his apartments. No water had gone through the meter and has been shut off. The late fee will be waived, but a reconnect fee will be accessed before the water is turned back on. A motion was made by Jones and seconded by Spelman approve one of three requests for adjustments this month. The request was for a pool fill. The motion was approved 6-0.

Finance, Personnel, GIS:

Brenning reported that the meeting scheduled to complete the fraud manual had to be cancelled and will be rescheduled in a couple of weeks. The auditors are scheduled to be here the last week of July. An issue with payment to the Zoning Board members was corrected. Brenning presented an estimate of \$1980.00 to have the shades replaced in the Village Hall. No action was taken.

Public Safety, Health and Safety:

A question arose about the ordinance concerning the location of burn barrels. Harris said that he has not been able to find anything that addresses the issue. He will continue looking into the matter.

Public Works, Streets, Alleys and Sidewalks:

Nothing to report.

Village Communication/Building Grounds and Lights, Parks:

Spelman and Copelin met with Denny Cave of Small But Might Web Design. He gave an estimate of \$999.00 to create a new website and \$999.00 annual maintenance. The software that maintains the current website is outdated and no longer available for updates. The Mayor asked that the Board look at the websites of the villages of Pawnee and Williamsville as they were built by Cave. The item will be addressed at the next meeting.

Old Business:

None.

New Business:

A motion was made by Spelman and seconded by Baer to approve the renewal of gaming and liquor licenses for Maddie's Tavern, The Corner Bar, Circle K and Toni's Café. The motion

passed 6-0. A motion was made by Layton to approve a donation of \$50.00 to the Divernon Township Library for the annual summer reading program. Baer seconded and the motion carried 6-0.

Motion by Hedges to adjourn at 8:36 p.m.

Jim Copelin
Village President

Rodney Molnar
Village Clerk