

The Village of Stronghurst Board met for a scheduled meeting on **August 7, 2023**. Present at roll call were Trustees Mike Bohnenkamp, Janice Smith, Paige Torrance, Mike Swisher, Nathan Harden, and Amanda VanArsdale. Mayor Brendan Schaley was present. Employees present were Ronnie Gittings, Arbry Vancil, and Brittany Smith. Village Attorney Mariah Wallace was absent. The guest present were Shirley Linder, Randy Jarvis, Quentin Peterson, Tucker Peterson, and Doug Erickson.

Mayor Schaley called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

Amanda made a motion to approve the minutes as presented for the June Board Meeting. The motion was 2nd by Janice. It passed unanimously. Mike S. made a motion to approve payment of the bills, Mike B. 2nd the motion. It passed unanimously. Financial statements were presented for July. Mike B. made a motion to approve the financials. Janice 2nd the motion. It passed unanimously.

Guests: Quentin Peterson asked to have a variance approved on his son, Tucker Peterson's house at 204 S. Elizabeth, to build a deck on the front. The board approved to grant the variance. Doug stated everything went well with the water tank demo and is the board is pleased with the work that was completed.

Water Superintendent Report: Ronnie stated the wells are up to about 28 ft and will continue to rise with the recent rainfalls. He also stated that he had several pieces saved from the old water tower that he is having made into souvenirs from a blacksmith that will be auctioned off at our veteran's memorial on September 1st. Ronnie also stated his manganese testing is going well and the water is testing perfectly.

Police Report: Arb read report.

Zoning Report: Zoning presented the variance for the Peterson permit. Next Zoning Meeting is September 20th at 5:00

Old Business: Mayor Schaley asked for a motion to approve the purchase of the 2023 John Deere mower. Nathan made a motion to approve to purchase and Janice 2nd it. It passed unanimously. Mayor Schaley also presented the estimate from MTC for a new

camera system at the park which would be \$3817.46. Mike S. made a motion to approve the purchase of the camera system, Nathan 2nd it. It passed unanimously.

New Business: Village attorney Mariah Wallace was absent, so the board tabled discussing legal action about overgrown properties in the village until the next meeting. Next mayor Schaley stated after replacing the new water line at the fire station, there has been minimal pressure. Ronnie has a crew coming in to figure out why and fix the situation for the fire station.

Trustees Report: Nothing to report.

Mayor/Clerk/Lawyer Report: Nothing to report.

Executive Session: No executive session

Mike S. made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Paige 2nd the motion. The meeting adjourned at 6:52 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Brittany Smith – Village Clerk/Treas.