

The Village of Stronghurst Board met for a scheduled meeting on **July 1, 2019**. Present were Trustees Jerry Nortrup, Mike Bohnenkamp, Randy Jarvis, David Vancil and Mike Swisher. Trustee Shane Reed and Village Attorney Mariah Wallace were absent. Mayor Brendan Schaley was present. Employees present were Hollie Allen and Arby Vancil. Guests present were Dessa Rodeffer, Shirley Linder, Virginia Ross, Robert Root and Rev. David Vidler.

Mayor Brendan Schaley called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Randy made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. The motion was 2nd by Jerry. It passed unanimously. Mike B. made a motion to approve payment of the bills. Jerry 2nd the motion. It passed unanimously. David made a motion to approve the financial statements as presented for June. Randy 2nd the motion. It passed unanimously.

Guests: Rob Root owner of Rivals on Main was present to ask for a special permit to allow for an outside event at Rivals in September. The event would consist of a band and blocking off the street in front of Rivals with some type of fencing to allow for the band to play outside and to have alcohol brought outside into the fenced area. The liquor committee will set up a meeting for July to discuss this and a decision will be made at the next board meeting. Dessa Rodeffer was present to express her concerns for (The Quill) not being aware of the Veteran Memorial Ceremony that was held on June 30th. She states no one provides the paper with any information or news anymore. Brendan stated how the Village tries to use the Village social media and website page to reach as many as possible. Signs were also hung up around town for those who are not on social media or have access to the Village website. The board will try to be more informative to the Quill for future events.

Water Superintendent Report: Ronnie Gittings was absent for the meeting and had the Clerk present to the Board a service agreement on the testing equipment at the Water Plant from Hach Company. The renewal quote provided was for \$328.00. Randy made a motion to accept the quote and proceed with the renewal. Jerry 2nd the motion. It passed unanimously.

Police Report: Arby read the police report. The department had 79.5 hours worked, 16 training hours, 438 squad car miles, 2 traffic stops, 0 verbal warnings, 0 written warnings, and 1 traffic ticket. There were 2 service calls, 4 assist county and 0 ambulance assists, 22 business checks and 0 arrests. No questions were asked in regards to the police report.

Old Business: The Appropriation Ordinance was presented. There was a public meeting held prior to the Board meeting which was posted and open to the public to come in and ask any questions regarding the ordinance in which no one attended. Randy made a motion to accept the Appropriation Ordinance as presented. Jerry 2nd the motion. It passed unanimously. Mike B. went over the proposed verbiage for a change to the police manual to say "The Village Police Department will be paid time and a half for holiday hours worked up to a maximum of 5 hours. Police Department will follow the same holiday schedule as other Village employees." After discussion between Board members, it was decided to table this until next meeting. The Police committee will schedule a meeting for July and will bring recommendations for action

to the Board at the August meeting. Mike S. made a motion to pay the Police Department for the 4th of July holiday for time and a half for all hours worked that day. Mike B. 2nd the motion. It passed unanimously.

New Business: Internet at the Water Plant was discussed, Derby Net has moved their equipment off the old water tower and over to the elevator. Since moving the equipment the internet at the Water plant has been extremely slow and some days not working at all. It was decided to proceed with getting signed up with MTC Communications to try and get the fiber hooked up at the water plant as soon as possible.

Trustees Report: Mike S. asked about the status of building a new shelter house at the park. It was decided that Randy will ask Jeff Nichols to get a material and price list together to present for review at the next board meeting. Randy mentioned the Vancil house on Elizabeth Street was still concerning with all the debris that was on the property and would like to see about getting it roped off. Arb will get Randy some caution tape to put up.

Mayor/Clerk/Lawyer Report: Clerk presented the Board with the Audit report. Clerk mentioned water bills will be mailed out late this month due to not being able to read meters till later than normal. Hollie also mentioned Ronnie Gittings has been employed with the Village for 10 years, his anniversary was June 1st.

Executive Session: There was no executive session this meeting.

Randy made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Jerry 2nd the motion. The meeting adjourned at 6:55 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Hollie Allen– Village Clerk/Treas.