

The Village of Stronghurst Board met for a scheduled meeting on **May 4, 2020**. Present were Trustees Jerry Nortrup, Mike Bohnenkamp, Shane Reed, Randy Jarvis and Mike Swisher. Mayor Brendan Schaley was present. Employees present were Hollie Allen and Ronnie Gittings. Village Attorney Mariah Wallace was present. Guests present were Shirley Linder and Sara Evans-Brown.

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

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

Guests: Sara Evans Brown is asking for a short term (30 days) license to sell package liquor for to go sales during the state mandated closure of businesses. Mariah states since this was not on the agenda there would have to be a special meeting to bring this to a vote. There will be a meeting on May 11th 2020 at 6:00 PM.

Water Superintendent Report: 1 more lead service line to replace at the old chevy garage. It will take out 15-20 foot of the culvert that is there. The board wants the whole culvert replaced. Color meter at the water plant needs replaced. It is so old not able to get parts. New meter costs \$1436.00 Shane made a motion to purchase the new meter. Jerry 2nd the motion. It passed unanimously. There is a tree in front of the Baxter residence that they would like looked at. Ronnie states he checked the tree and feels this tree can wait until the others already on the list to do have been completed. The Board agreed to have the tree put on the list to get to once finished with the others already on the list to be taken down.

Police Report: Arbry was not present at the meeting due to Covid19 so Brendan read the police report. The department had 74.5 hours worked, 0 training hours, 212 squad car miles, 1 traffic stop, 1 verbal warning, 0 written warnings, and 0 traffic tickets. There were 8 service calls, 0 assist, 16 business checks and 0 arrest. No questions were asked regarding the police report.

Old Business: One bid was sent in for the sidewalk repair job. Mike B. made a motion to accept the Bid from Tim Thompson Contracting for \$6,600. Jerry 2nd the motion. It passed unanimously.

New Business: Bids were reviewed for the Safe Routes to School grant. Low bid was Lee Hood for \$135,863.60. Randy made a motion to accept the bid from Lee Hood. Mike S. 2nd the motion. It passed unanimously. Randy made a motion to accept the MFT estimate for 2020. Mike B. 2nd. It passed unanimously. Tentative appropriation ordinance was presented for 2020-

2021. Mike S. made a motion to accept the tentative ordinance. Shane 2nd the motion. It passed unanimously. The final appropriation ordinance will be approved next month. Estimate for a garage door opener from Big River Garage Door was presented for the cost of \$685.00. Jerry made a motion to purchase the garage door opener. Shane 2nd the motion. It passed unanimously. Randy made a motion to accept the MFT audit review for last year. Mike B. 2nd the motion. It passed unanimously. The need for a new light at the Village Park was discussed. Randy made a motion to have Shane Reed Electric fix the light. Mike S. 2nd the motion. All voted yes with the exception of Shane Reed who abstained from the vote. A written update from Stronghurst Booster Club president Melinda Whiteman was presented to the board for the Booster Club's plans for flowers at the park and for the pots on Broadway Street. Mike S. made a motion to donate \$250.00 to the purchase of flowers for this year. Shane 2nd the motion. It passed unanimously.

Trustees Report: Randy would like to meet with the liquor committee on Thursday May 5th at 5:00 pm to discuss options for providing a temporary package liquor license and to discuss other options to try and assist the 2 restaurants in town during the Covid19 shutdown. Mike B. discussed the Spring clean up day that has been cancelled per Waste Management. After the shutdown due to Covid19 is over Mike would like to make sure the cleanup is rescheduled as soon as possible. Hollie will stay in contact with Waste Management. Jerry noted the need to be extra cautious with spending right now as the Village is most likely going to notice a decrease in funds in the near future due to Covid19.

Mayor/Clerk/Lawyer Report: Brendan reminded Ronnie the culvert down by Oakwood Dr needs to be completed ASAP.

Executive Session: There was no executive session this meeting.

Mike S. made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Jerry 2nd the motion. The meeting adjourned at 6:33 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Clerk/Treas.

Hollie Allen– Village