

Village of Lovington
Board Meeting
Sept 9, 2024
6:00 pm

Call to order

Pledge of Allegiance

Guests:

- **Minutes and action of Village Clerk.**
 - Discussion and Action on August 2024 Invoices
 - Discussion and Action on August 12, 2024, Regular Meeting Minutes
- **Treasurer's Report**
 - Discussion and Action Aug 2024 treasurer's report

New Business

- Discussion and Action on In-House billing for Waste Management
- Discussion and Action on Halloween Events
- Discussion and Action on Ordinance 2024-07, An ordinance Amending Chapter 11 Employee Personal Code (Bereavement Pay) of the Revised Code of Ordinances

- **Old Business**
 - Discussion and Action if any update from our attorney on abandoned houses
 - Discussion and Action if any regarding Zoning

• **Department Reports**

• **Water and Sewer Report**

- Report and action if needed

• **Parks and Special Projects**

- Report and action if needed

• **Police**

- Report and action if needed

• **Streets and Alleys**

- Report and action if needed

• **Buildings and Grounds**

- Report and action if needed

• **Insurance**

- Report and action on any insurance needs

• **Presidents Report**

- Report and action if needed

• **Adjournment**

**Village of Lovington
Regular Board Meeting
September 9, 2024**

Call to order: President Dennis Garmon called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance: President Garmon led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call found the following trustees to be present: Mike Young, Todd Hale, Keith Stanberry, Andrea Wardrip, April Daily and Bittany Bates. President Dennis Garmon and Clerk Alma Fair were also present.

Guests:

1. Pam Anklam follow-up on the request from last month to put signs on our poles. Daily contacted Gillis and the only poles we own are the metal ones downtown and it is ok with the board that they can put some the signs on our welcome signs.

A Motion was made by Daily and seconded by Young to allow the Legion to go ahead with their fund raiser.

YEA: Stanberry, Wardrip, Young, Bates, Hale, Daily

No: None

MOTION CARRIED

2. Adam Pruitt & Veronica Contreras has more than one shed on their property, and they need to add another one. They stated that they think they can downsize on the buildings they have and will work with us and the Village with work with them as well.
3. Donyell Morgan regarding the item under new business was moved to here. Dennis and Donyell have spoken with Dave Schaab with WM regarding the part in our contract that if we do the billing it will be cheaper.

Discussion & Action on In-House billing for Waste Management

A Motion was made by Daily and seconded by Hale to approve the billing of Waste Management to be added to the water bills.

YEA: Stanberry, Wardrip, Young, Bates, Hale, Daily

No: None

MOTION CARRIED

4. David Bowers – He has two things -

1. He is the President of Moultrie Co. Historical Society – a year ago they had someone at the Fire House who spoke on the Coal Mine, and he would like for the Village to designate a month as Coal Mine Days. He has complied more on the Coal Mine.

Garmon asked if Mr. Ralph Kirk could attend our October meeting. Mr. Bowers will let him know.

2. Drainage district clearing trees on the way to the Sewer plant. The drainage ditch is on the east side of the sewer plant. Hale will contact Jeremy to see if he recalls how far the trees needed to be cleared near the drainage ditch. Robert Riley was asking about more trees that need to be cleared.

Also, Megan Russell, a reporter with News Progress was also a guest but didn't wish to speak.

Minutes and action of Village Clerk

1. Discussion and action on the August 2024 invoices

A Motion was made by Daily and seconded by Bates to accept the August 2024 invoices as presented.

YEA: Young, Bates, Hale, Stanberry, Wardrip, Daily

No: None

MOTION CARRIED

2. Discussion and action August 12, 2024, Regular Meeting Minutes.

A Motion was made by Daily and seconded by Wardrip to approve the August 12, 2024, Regular Meeting minutes as presented.

YEA: Bates, Hale, Stanberry, Wardrip, Daily, Young

No: None

MOTION CARRIED

Treasurer's Report

1. Discussion and action August 2024 treasurer's report

A Motion was made by Young and seconded by Hale to accept the August 2024 treasurer's report.

YEA: Hale, Stanberry, Wardrip, Young, Daily, Bates

No: None

MOTION CARRIED

Clerk Fair announced she had packets available for pick up if the following were planning to run again for a 4-year term.

President Dennis Garmon

Trustees Mike Young, Andrea Wardrip & Keith Stanberry

New Business:

1. Discussion and Action on Halloween Events

Truck or Treat will be held downtown on State Street on October 25th from 3:30-5:30. The costume contest will be held at the firehouse from 5:30-6. They will be serving hot dogs

Residential trick or treat will be on Oct. 31 5-8. If handing out candy, please have your porch light on.

A Motion was made by Daily and seconded by Wardrip to provide the park board with \$600 for the food and prizes.

YEA: Stanberry, Wardrip, Young, Daily, Bates, Hale

No: None

MOTION CARRIED

2. Discussion and Action on Ordinance 2024-07, Amending Chapter 11 Employee Personal Code (Bereavement Pay)

A Motion was made by Daily and seconded by Bates to approve Ordinance 2024-07 which amended the Chapter 11 Employee Personal Code (Bereavement Pay).

YEA: Wardrip, Young, Daily, Bates, Hale, Stanberry

No: None

MOTION CARRIED

Old Business:

1. Discussion & Action on if any update from our attorney on abandoned houses

Clerk Fair read the email from Crossman regarding the houses.

2. Discussion and Action if any regarding Zoning

Clerk Fair read an email from Frank Heiligenstein regarding the adoption of the county's zoning ordinance. The county hasn't contacted Daily if the county has approved the proposal. Daily will contact them this week.

Department Reports

Water & Sewer Report – Todd Hale

Nothing to report

Park and Special Projects – Brittany Bates

The park gazebo has been delivered. We now need to prepare the land where the gazebo will sit. Electricity needs to be run to where it will be located. Doug Ryerd has given us a quote to place a concrete pad for it.

A Motion was made by Daily and seconded by Hale to approve Doug Ryerd's quote not to exceed \$2,800.

YEA: Young, Daily, Bates, Hale, Stanberry, Wardrip

No: None

MOTION CARRIED

Chris will be contacting Atchison Electric this week for a quote.

Bates would like to have the pickleball court done this week.

Police – Keith Stanberry

Nothing to report

Streets and Alleys – Mike Young

Young's mother-in-law wishes to purchase a lot from us at 360 E State

A Motion was made by Daily and seconded by Bates to agree to sell the lot on 360 E State after we discuss it with our attorney and get the going rate for lots in Lovington.

YEA: Daily, Bates, Hale, Stanberry, Wardrip, Young

No: None

MOTION CARRIED

Buildings and Grounds – April Daily

Trees have been taken down on Patterson Street. Trees on State Street by Garmon's still needs to be trimmed. The poles have been delivered to be placed in front of Zancha' s.

Insurance – Andrea Wardrip

Nothing to report

Presidents Report – Dennis Garmon

Already reported on the gazebo and it will be moved when the concrete pad is done.

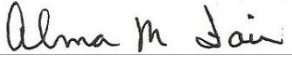
Adjournment

A Motion was made by Young to adjourn at 7:59 p.m.

YEA: all agreed

No: None

MOTION CARRIED



Alma Fair, Clerk

October 14, 2024
Date Approved