## THE VILLAGE OF GAYS MILLS

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Village Board of Gays Mills held Monday, February 6, 2017, which began at 6:00 p.m. in the Community Commerce Community Room.

Village President Harry Heisz called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Roll call was taken with the following present: Aaron Fortney, Harry Heisz, Paul J. Lomas, Jr., Kimberly Pettit and Albert Zegiel were present. John Johnson was absent.

The board received verification that the agenda was posted in accordance with the open meeting law.

Under citizens and delegations Tarasa Lown of the North Crawford School reminded everyone that the Business Education event will take place this Wednesday and the Spring It On event is scheduled for April 29<sup>th</sup>.

Under the public works report the board discussed that a second contractor has been contacted to fix the software issue with the heating system in the board room. Paul J. Lomas, Jr. and other board members appreciated the public works department for their quick response to the ice storms.

Fire Chief Earl Winsor was present to update the board; the fire department is considering purchasing another pick-up for use as a brush truck and will be soon receiving air packs purchased with a \$60,000 grant. Currently the roster is full with three people in training. Lomas made a motion to approve the purchase of a pick-up using the Fire Department's budget. Seconded by Zegiel. Motion carried.

Brad Niemcek, co-chair of the Trail Committee reported the fundraising is within \$5,000 of goal and suggested a line of credit to complete the project which needs to be finalized by October. The north leg of the trail is in use and the committee is continuing to work with property owners on connecting the two trails. Currently Showen is donating and installing the small bridge and the committee is working on designing signage, benches, and bike racks. The next trail meeting is scheduled for Thursday, February 9<sup>th</sup>.

Brad Niemcek, Kickapoo Culinary Center Director announced the event scheduled for this Sunday the 12<sup>th</sup> from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. to celebrate the Community Commerce operation of 5 years which will have food from clients of the kitchen along with kitchen tours.

Fortney made a motion to approve the board meeting minutes for January 9, 2017. Seconded by Lomas. Motion carried.

Fortney made a motion to approve all of the regular monthly bills as listed in the monthly expense report. Seconded by Lomas. Motion carried.

No action was taken on agenda item Mercantile signage.

The board received the notice that the DNR has cleared the 400 Main Street (BP Amoco) site of no detection or insignificant contamination and that no other action is required by the village.

After discussion Fortney made a motion to continue having the village mow and maintain the cemetery. Seconded by Lomas. Motion carried.

Fortney made a motion to approve the Ocooch Mt. Rescue ambulance agreement along with a \$3,500 donation. Seconded by Lomas. Motion carried.

The board received a request from Phil Lee to place a hold on North Mills Lot #28 so that he may have additional time for designing a house to fit the lot. Fortney made a motion to hold lot #28 in North Mill till May 1, 2017. Seconded by Lomas. Motion carried.

The board received a thank you letter for the support of the BRAVE Ride in 2016.

The next regular board meeting is scheduled for Monday March 6<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m.

Fortney made a motion to adjourn at 6:26 p.m. Seconded by Lomas. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted Dawn R. McCann, Village Clerk APPROVED 3-6-17