

## THE VILLAGE OF GAYS MILLS

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Village Board of Gays Mills held Monday, June 5, 2017, which began at 6:00 p.m. in the Community Commerce Board 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, John Johnson, Albert Zegiel, and Krista Eitsert. Kimberly Pettit and Erin Martin were absent.

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

No citizens or delegations took place.

Under the Public Works report Jim Chellevoid reported that the breaker has been tripping on the siren causing it not to work at times. McCormick Electric is scheduled to look at siren. Also with the possible 3-on-3 basketball tournament during Apple Festival it is Chellevoid's recommendation to seal the basketball court and tennis court; will ask for bids. The west wall of the Robb Park bathroom has foundation damage. McCormick Electric has finished the flood repairs to the Robb Park Campground. John Johnson asked when the pot holes were scheduled for repair and the side-mower for weeds along the roads.

Lions Member Lauren Knutson explained and requested that the village board split the cost of gravel at the Lion's Park. The Lion's proposed to remove up to 6" of old gravel, they will need a place to relocate the dirt/gravel, the Lion's will do 90% of the labor, lay the fabric over excavated area, apply new gravel, and to grade west side to allow better drainage. A bid was received from Brockway Trucking and Excavating of \$4,000 for grading dirt and supplying material. The Lions pledged to pay half of the costs up to \$2,000. After discussion Zegiel made a motion to approve the village to pay the other half of the cost up to \$2,000. Seconded by Fortney. Motion carried. (\$1,000 out of the tourism budget line and \$1,000 out of the general fund.)

Brad Niemcek, co-chair of the Trail Committee informed the board that weather permitting paving will be taking place next week on the trail. A fundraising paddling event is scheduled for June 22<sup>nd</sup>. And workdays are scheduled for June 10, June 24, and July 29<sup>th</sup>.

Brad Niemcek, Director of the Kickapoo Culinary Center reported that May income and expenses broke even last month and that trends of kitchen incubators are slowing.

Cindy Kohles Volunteer Village Forester reported that a written request has been received from Greg and Kate Vereschagin regarding their concern of the trees next to their property on village land. Kohles received a bid from Tom Burke of Quality Tree Service for \$800 to drop the two ash trees without cleanup if he was in the area; there are buildings and utilities involved. Budget ideas are to delay removals, sell the logs, or add price of tree removal to cost of lots. The update of ATC and DNR grants – ATC will be contacted next week regarding the grant. There is one planting, mulching, seven trees to be pruned (suggested to be delay till dormant season), two trees the village needs to remove, and development of resources to take place in order for DNR grant to be completed. An interim report is due for the DNR at the end of June. The next DNR grant application is due this fall and if board is considering applying would like to begin application sooner. Kohles is recommending a Tree Board or Advisory Committee to review tree issues within the village. One resident has expressed interested.

Kimberly Pettit arrived at 6:45 p.m.

There is a 2017-2018 Wisconsin Community Tree Management Institute available for training the DNR offers with tuition of \$400 or less, which teaches proper planting, selection, tree ordinances, etc. If a member of the tree board or village employee would choose to go Kohles would find the funds for the tuition. Applications are due at the end of June. Additional trees are recommended to be removed due to faster deterioration than expected; two ash trees on South Gay Street, three red pines at Log Cabin Park, and a large silver maple at 118 Orin Street.

After all items have been discussed Fortney made a motion to table adding the selling price of tree removal to the CDBG Lots price. Seconded by Eitsert. A roll call vote was taken: Zegiel, Fortney, and Eitsert voted Yes to table. Pettit and Johnson abstained. Motion carried. Cindy Kohles and Jim Chellevoid are to see if public works can complete the list of additional trees to be removed. Fortney made a motion to have Tom Burke drop the two ash trees on Park Street unless the village removes the trees before he arrives. Seconded by Zegiel. Johnson opposed. Motion carried. Fortney made a motion to apply for the 2018 DNR Urban Forestry Grant. Seconded by Johnson. Motion carried. Fortney made a motion to advertise for interested members to the Tree Board. Seconded by Zegiel. Motion carried. Fortney made a motion to approve a public works employee to attend the Tree Management Institute. Seconded by Eitsert. Johnson opposed. Motion carried.

Fortney made a motion per the Plan Commissions recommendation to approve the conditional use at 176 Bluebird for an additional accessory structure. Seconded by Zegiel. Motion carried.

Johnson made a motion to approve the board meeting minutes from May 1, 2017. Seconded by Pettit. Motion carried.

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

Pettit made a motion to appoint Aaron Fortney and Albert Zegiel to the 2017 Swimming Pool Committee. Seconded by Johnson. Motion carried.

Under old business the board discussed mosquito fogging. Jim Chellevoid was requested to test equipment and gather costs for next meeting.

Under new business Fortney made a motion to deny the match request for Driftless Wisconsin JEM Grant promotion May 27 through July 8<sup>th</sup>. Seconded by Zegiel. Motion carried.

Fortney made a motion to table the ordinance relating to ATV/UTV routes and trails. Seconded by Johnson. Motion carried.

Virginia Murphy, Roger Dull and other residents were present to discuss the Village Ordinance Title 9, Chapter 2 Sewer Rates, particularly the sewer flat fee for those who are not connected. After much discussion Zegiel made a motion to schedule a special board meeting to discuss sewer issues. Seconded by Johnson. Motion carried. Special Board Meeting is scheduled for Monday June 26<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m.

Barking dogs were discussed; the ordinance list barking dogs as a public nuisance. Letters can be sent from the village and if not resolved can contact the Crawford County Animal Control Officer. Roosters were also discussed.

Regulation of length of lawn, grasses and weeds agenda item was requested to be placed on each agenda so residents and businesses can be reviewed if length of lawn, grasses and weeds exceed 12 inches.

Pettit made a motion to approve:

- Annual Alcohol Beverage License Applications: The Marketplace Group, LLC, Tanya Peterson, Class "A" Beer and Liquor, 180 Misty Valley Ave; Kickapoo Exchange Natural Foods Co-op, Robert Van Hoesen, Class "A" Beer and Liquor, 209 Main Street; Sharon's Red Apple Inn, Sharon Chellevoid, Class "B" Beer and Liquor, 317 Main Street; Halver's Town Tap, LLC, Donald T. Halverson, Class "B" Beer and Liquor, 315 Main Street; J & J on Main LLC, Justina LaLande, Class "B" Beer and Liquor, 312 Main Street.
- Cigarette License Applications for The Marketplace, J & J on Main, and Halver's Town Tap
- Machine License Applications for J & J on Main and Halver's Town Tap
- Operator's License Applications: Jeremy Fradette, Jerry Miller, Dana George, Steve George, Lawrence Nelson, Jr, Valarie Ingle, Marcia Swiggum, Tammy Herbst, Jordon Bekkum, Kayla Schmit, Tiana Hardy, Danelle Young, Lee Ruegg, Tanya Peterson, Morgan Wittkowske Jamie McBride, Rebecca Salmon, Penelope Tainter, Douglas Abby, Jeffery Welsh, Laura Halverson, Kesha Blaha, Ronald McCormick, Trisha Hird, Michelle Forde, Justina LaLande, Kim Wiegel, John LaLande, Daylene Puckett, Dave Hackett, Robert Van Hoesen, Donald Lampert, Donald Stirling, Kathryn O'Brien, Cynthia Kohles, Jane Keeley, Kile Martz, Mary Denise Benoit, Russell Gilbert, Bradley Otto
- Temporary Class "B" License Application for Lion's Club at 510 Orin St (Lion's Shelter) on September 22 to September 24, 2017

Seconded by Fortney. Motion carried.

In correspondence the board received information on a public hearing for the Crawford County Land Conservation Committee, received an updated 2017 list of Board Member and Committee Assignments, and a notice that Crawford County will be holding a tire clean up on June 10<sup>th</sup>.

The next board meeting is scheduled for Monday July 10<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m.

Fortney made a motion to adjourn at 7:57 p.m. Seconded by Eitsert. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted

Dawn R. McCann, Village Clerk

APPROVED