

## **CALL TO ORDER**

The Village of Durand Board of Trustees met in Regular Session on Monday, October 14<sup>th</sup>, 2019. The meeting was called to order by the Village President, Bob Corwin, at 7:30 P.M.

## **ROLL CALL:**

Present: Trustee Fritz, Trustee Slade, Trustee Matteson, Trustee Waller, Trustee Meissen, Trustee Hoffman

Absent: none

Employees: *Chief of Police, Jeff Schelling*

*Public Works Supervisor, Aaron Kahl*

Village President: Bob Corwin

Village Treasurer: Sherry Bessert

Village Attorney: Darron Burke

Village Clerk: Mary Sphatt

Public: *See attached sign-in sheet*

## **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

## **MINUTES**

The minutes from the September 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2019 Regular Session were inspected. Motion was made by Mr. Slade and seconded by Mrs. Waller to approve the September 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2019 minutes of the Regular Session as amended to include a non-binding straw poll taken that showed the board's support in the recommendation by the zoning board to vacate 2 alleys. ROLL CALL: Matteson, yes: Slade, yes: Meissen, yes: Waller, yes: Fritz, yes: Hoffman, yes. MOTION CARRIED. APPROVED.

## **PAYMENT OF THE BILLS**

The bills were reviewed by the Board members. A motion was made by Mr. Slade and seconded by Mr. Fritz to draw on the treasury to pay the October 14<sup>th</sup> bills totaling \$209,393.58. ROLL CALL: Waller, yes: Fritz, yes: Slade, yes: Hoffman, yes: Meissen, yes: Matteson, yes. MOTION CARRIED. AUTHORIZED.

A separate vote was taken to pay a charge for Matteson Service Center in the amount of \$357.90 for an additional 850 CC battery. A motion was made by Mr. Slade and seconded by Mr. Fritz to approve payment of this charge. ROLL CALL: Waller, yes: Fritz, yes: Slade, yes: Hoffman, yes: Meissen, yes: Matteson, abstain. MOTION CARRIED. AUTHORIZED.

## **ZONING**

The zoning board of appeals will hold a public meeting to discuss solar panels on October 22<sup>nd</sup> at 7 p.m. at the Village Hall.

## **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Bob Farmer asked the board what type of building inspector is needed to address the building code issues. Mr. Fritz informed him a building code certification is needed besides being a building inspector. Mr. Burke said this work is usually prohibited by another job and that current prospective building code enforcement officers have been unattainable. This person would need to be able to work part time for the Village and have no conflicts of interest. Mr. Farmer said he would look into other possible code officers, which the board encouraged.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

- **FINANCE**

The September financial statement was handed out and discussed. The Benning Group submitted an audit proposal. The cost would be \$9,000 for the year 2020, \$9,250 for the year 2021 and \$9,500 for the year 2022. If the village spends \$750,000 in federal funds Benning group would charge an additional \$3,000 fee per year that spending goes over that limit. The general consensus by the board is that it will keep Benning Group.

- **ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**

A Charm update was handed out. There will be no hayride or scarecrow contest this year. Halloween on the square will be held on Saturday, October 26<sup>th</sup> from 10 a.m.-12 p.m. A possible flea market is being coordinated which may piggyback the Stateline Classics Car Show. A Fall Festival for 2020 is in the planning stages. possible activities include a Jack-O-Lantern decorating contest. A grant application to benefit the Durand School was submitted. History of Durand PowerPoint flash drive was located. This may be displayed on the Village website. The website has been updated to include John Scott on the administration page, Halloween hours, and the garbage disposal section.

- **BUILDINGS AND PARKS**

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- **STREETS AND ALLEYS**

South Street is ready to be paved and this should be finished by the end of the week. There will be a Square Project meeting on October 30<sup>th</sup> at 3 p.m. at Durand State Bank. Business owners will attend this meeting and Fehr Graham will answer questions.

- **WATER AND SEWER**

The water hookup fee for 505 East North Street was discussed. Use of sump pumps in residences is draining water into the Village sewer system, causing drainage issues and sewer backups. A possible ordinance to prohibit the use of these sump pumps was discussed.

- **POLICE**

The monthly Police report for September was handed out. Chief Schelling will be attending more sessions of RMS training in Rockford's district 3 this month. A recycle drive to benefit the school is ongoing until April of 2020. Collected items include plastics that are not usually recyclable. If the school collects 500 pounds, they will purchase a bench for the nature classroom. Chief Schelling met with vendors to develop a governance document which will be brought to all municipalities for approval in a few months. The Village times for trick or treating is 5 p.m. until 8 p.m. on Halloween night. The burn ordinance started October 1<sup>st</sup> and will end November 30<sup>th</sup>. There will be a list printed in the Volunteer and the village website of items that are not to be burned. Lexipol Risk Management is working on the development of policies, the drafts of which will be brought before the board, Mayor and village attorney for view and approval. On Wednesday October 2<sup>nd</sup> approximately 30 people attended coffee with a cop at the Durand State Bank.

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

- A. 505 E North Waiver of water hookup fee. Village attorney Mr. Burke has researched past ordinances and discovered that the Village has no authority to waive this fee. As a result, this matter was not voted on.
- B. Resolution 2019: Zoning Variance and Special Use Permits. This resolution was held over for a vote as the forms are not currently available for review.

### **MOTION TO ADJOURN THE OCTOBER 14<sup>TH</sup>, 2019 REGULAR MEETING OF THE DURAND VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

ROLL CALL: YEAS, 6; NAYS, 0; ABSENT, 0. TIME ADJOURNED: 8:02 P.M.