

VILLAGE OF DAWSON

JANUARY 3, 2022 MINUTES

The Dawson Village Board Meeting was called to order by Mayor Dee Smith at 7:00 p.m. and followed by the pledge of Allegiance.

Trustees present were: Trustees Nancy Prytherch, Jacob Byerline and Robin Ashton-Hale were present. Terri Davis-Anderson, Jeremy Bounds and Josh Nibbe were absent. Also present were Mayor Dee Smith, Attorney Steve Scott, Treasurer Jody Prytherch and Clerk Lynda Files. Tyler Abbott was also present.

Before starting business portion of meeting, Mayor Dee acknowledged Robin Malloy from Pehlman & Dold (the Village auditors) to present last year's audit. She passed out copies of the audit to everyone and proceeded to go through the audit and highlight the important figures. She commented the Village was in good shape and complimented Jody Prytherch, our treasurer, on doing such a good job in providing the necessary information to them to perform the audit. When Mayor Dee informed her the Village was looking into changing programs from Quickbooks to Locus she gave them some pointers on questions they should ask the Locus representative they are talking with.

MINUTES: Jake made a motion to approve the minutes and Nancy seconded the motion. Motion was approved by all yes votes.

BILLS: Motion was made by Robin to approve the minutes and Jake seconded the motion. Motion was approved by all yes votes.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Jody presented her monthly treasurer reports. She went over all the various balances of the Village's accounts. It was also noted that we have not heard any reply on the request for additional money needed on the new water plant due to the bids being higher.

PUBLIC FORUM: Jill Leka had requested an adjustment on the water bill due to it being high because of a leak. The Board approved giving her an adjustment on two months after treasurer was first notified of the leak. Jake made a motion to approve adjustment for 2 months and Robin seconded the motion. Motion carried with all yes votes. Heather O'Shea did not appear at the meeting because Tyler Abbott reported that her problem with the freezing meter had been resolved.

ENGINEER'S REPORT: NONE

OLD BUSINESS: NONE

TRUSTEE'S REPORTS: NONE

ATTORNEY'S REPORT: After discussion, Attorney Scott said he would prepare an Ordinance for the water department to have an automatic water increase of 2% every May 1<sup>st</sup> on the monthly water bills. Motion for the approval of the increase was made by Jake and Nancy seconded the motion. Motion carried with all yes votes. Attorney Scott said the ordinance would have a stipulation that the Board can suspend the increase on any given year and then it would resume the next year.

MAYOR'S REPORT: Mayor Dee proposed the vacation and sick time records for all employees of the Village would be adjusted to January 1<sup>st</sup> of each year rather than an employee's start date. After some discussion, it was tabled to a later date.

The Mayor also discussed the new Dawson Public Works Garage, which was recently taken possession of. Many improvements have already been done such as new vinyl flooring, brackets and lights, etc. The Mayor is in need of \$1,500 to complete it. Just a few more additions are needed such as cameras for the outside, etc. Village equipment is starting to be moved there. Robin made a motion to approve the \$1,500 expenditure and Nancy seconded the motion. Motion carried with all yes votes.

The Mayor reported there are three large sink holes on East Walnut that need to be repair as soon as possible as they are large enough for a child to get injured. He will get in touch with the company that used a scope/camera to inspect previous sink holes, which they repaired. On those they inserted bands that went around the inside.

ADJOURNMENT: With no further business to consider, Mayor Smith called for adjournment. Jake made a motion to adjourn and Robin seconded the motion. Meeting was adjourned at 8:30.

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Lynda Files, Clerk