

VILLAGE OF RUSSIA

VILLAGE COUNCIL MINUTES

October 9, 2019

The regular monthly meeting of the Village of Russia council was held Wednesday, October 9, 2019 at the Village office at 232 W. Main St. Mayor, Terence Daugherty called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Present: Mary Jo High
Brandon Simon
Adam Barga
John Grogean
Greg Borchers
Absent: Cindy Goubeaux

Non-members present: Mark Shappie, Mary Jo Voisard, Craig Albers, Matt Hoying of Choice One Engineering, and Sheriff's deputy

- The minutes of the September 11, 2019 regular meeting were read, and a motion was made by High, and seconded by Borchers to approve the meeting minutes. All yeas, motion passed.
- A motion was made by Grogean and seconded by Simon to approve the bills as presented. All yeas, motion passed.
- A motion was made by Barga and seconded by Simon to approve the financial reports for the previous month. All yeas, motion passed.

Finance

Voisard explained that it is necessary to transfer money from the Enterprise Improvement fund to the Water fund. Grogean moved, and High seconded the motion to transfer \$200,000 from the Enterprise Improvement Fund to the Water Fund. All yeas, motion passed.

Police

The Sheriff's deputy reported on activity for the month of September, which consisted of routine activity. High said that there has been a semi parking on First Street, as well as a camper. Shappie said he had talked to the owner of the camper, and it will be moved. He said he hasn't been able to talk to the owner of the semi, but will keep trying.

Francis Manufacturing Storm Water Project

Shappie said that Francis Manufacturing wants to add a tile to drain downspouts to correct a water problem on their property. They are planning to do this project at their own expense. They also want to enlarge the detention pond at Superior Aluminum. Matt Hoying said that the size of the tile will depend on whether the gas line will be moved. They will either use a 24" tile or two 2 18" tiles depending on the location of the gas line. Hoying said that it is sized to allow for up to 2 future expansions at the business. Daugherty said that he would like to see the Village contribute toward the project, as the annexation of the business into the Village has been financially beneficial to the Village. After some discussion, council agreed that the Village should cover the cost of installing the tile across the road, with the remainder of the project to be covered by Francis Manufacturing. Hoying estimated that the cost would be approximately \$7,000.

Simon moved and Barga seconded the motion for the Village to cover the cost of running the tile under the road with pavement restoration. Yeas: Simon, Barga, Borchers, Grogean Abstaining: High. Motion passed.

Paulus Subdivision

Shappie asked if Council wanted to put the final coat of asphalt on Thomas and Mary Streets now or wait until next year. Hoying said there are pros and cons. If the final coat is not put on now, it could cause water to lay on the pavement which could cause some deterioration. However, he said if there are any soft spots in the initial layer, that wouldn't show up until later, and could be addressed before the final layer is installed. Council decided to wait until paving projects are done next year to install the final layer.

Shappie asked if Street lights should be purchased for the Paulus Subdivision in 2019 or 2020. It was decided that the concrete pole bases would be installed this year, with half of the lights to be installed in 2019 and the remainder in 2020.

Luthman Replat

A motion to suspend the rules was made by Barga and seconded by Simon. All yea, motion passed. Grogean moved and High seconded the motion to approve **Resolution 19-10-9 Accepting the Luthman Replat being part of Lot 8 Located in the Village of Russia, and declaring the same to be an emergency.** All yea, motion passed.

Miscellaneous

Shappie said that the Village Discharge Permit Inspection was done October 9, 2019. He was told verbally that the inspection was passed, and that the Permit will be good for five years.

Shappie said that the park projects are progressing at Diamond 2 and Diamond 3. He said that the Committee discussed at the September meeting is being formed, and hopefully the committee will come up with a plan for future projects. He said that he feels that the building that was discussed last month would not be practical to use as an announcers booth for both the baseball field and softball field, as the softball field would not be visible. He suggested that a better plan would be to remove the current restrooms near the playground, and build a combination concession stand and restroom in that location. It could also allow for a future expansion to the East for a new enclosed shelter.

Shappie asked if Council was interested in doing crack sealing for the streets again this year. Council agreed that it should be done. Shappie will get quotes.

Trick or Treat was set for October 31 from 6 to 7:30 p.m.

Shappie said that Kyle Schafer has requested annexation. Council had no objection, but annexation will be at the homeowner's expense.

Shappie asked if Council wanted Christmas decorations at Veteran's Park. Council agreed that the Village should have some lights on the trees in the park.

Shappie said that Russia School is updating their camera system, and asked if the Village is interested in installing any in the park. The cost for two outdoor cameras is \$2,662.82. Council agreed that they are interested, but wanted more information before deciding whether to install one or two cameras. Daugherty will meet with Superintendent Rose to discuss further.

Shappie had a draft copy of the Village drinking water source assessment. He said he had emailed a copy to council members for their review.

Shappie said that he would like to order 40 tons of road salt at \$85 per ton to start the winter. High moved and Grogean seconded the motion to approve the purchase. All yea, motion passed.

Borchers moved and Barga seconded the motion that the meeting be adjourned. All yea, motion passed.

Council President, Mary Jo High _____

Clerk, Mary Jo Voisard _____