**VILLAGE OF STANFORD**

**206 W Main St**

**STANFORD, IL 61774**

*PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES*

*Thursday September 15th, 2022*

*REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES*

Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of the Acting President and Board of Trustees for the Village of Stanford. Meeting to start at 7:00pm.

# ROLL CALL:

Present: 6 – Acting President Lisa Adams, Trustees Normadee Miller, Jessica Anderson, Sarah Hughes, Chris Shook, and Barney Potts.

Absent: 0

Also Present: Attorney Mark McGrath, Police Chief, Dustin Carter, Damon Blackwell, Mary Jane Blackwell, Dorothy Beaty, Pat Heck, and Susan Cameron.

# APPOINTMENTS:

None

# PRESENTATIONS:

None

# PUBLIC CONCERNS:

Dorothy Beaty was questioning the nighttime police coverage for the village.

Pat Heck also had questions on police coverage and concerns on speeding on Division.

Damon Blackwell had concerns on speeding on Kathleen Street early mornings. Mr. Blackwell is also concerned about the culverts and drainage by his home on west Boundary. Mr. Blackwell also discussed the purchase of new shot guns for the police department. He does not think they need them and wanted to know why they needed to be purchased. Mr. Blackwell also gave his opinion that village employees do not deserve retirement benefits.

# MINUTES:

* The trustees reviewed the regular meeting minutes from August 18th, 2022.

Acting President Adams moved, seconded by Trustee Hughes to approve the regular meeting minutes from August 18th, 2022, as amended.

On roll call, the vote was:

AYES: 6- Acting President Adams, Trustees Hughes, Anderson, Miller, Shook and Potts.

NAYS: 0

ABSENT: 0

There being 6 affirmative votes the motion carried.

# TREASURERS REPORT:

* Treasurer Ten Haken was absent. Clerk Phillips presented the board with the Treasurers report and account balances.

Trustee Hughes moved, seconded by Acting President Adams to approve the treasurers report, and account balances.

On roll call, the vote was:

AYES: 6- Acting President Adams, Trustees Hughes, Anderson, Miller, Shook and Potts.

NAYS: 0

ABSENT: 0

There being 6 affirmative votes the motion carried.

# MONTHLY DISBURSAL:

* The trustees reviewed the monthly bills.

Trustees Hughes moved, seconded by Acting President Adams to approve the monthly bills.

On roll call, the vote was:

AYES: 6- Acting President Adams, Trustees Hughes, Anderson, Miller, Shook and Potts.

NAYS: 0

ABSENT: 0

There being 6 affirmative votes the motion carried.

# COMMITTEE REPORTS:

# STREETS:

Trustee Anderson reported the following:

* Mike Neal discussed the possibility of selling the old John Deere tractor to purchase another mower that would work better in the deep ditches. Trustee Potts is doing some research.
* Mike Neal also discussed some repairs that the bed of the dump truck needs.
* Mike Neal also discussed the bus stop on the corner of Main and Grant needing some handrails.
* All other agenda items tabled.

# WATER:

Acting President Adams reported the following to the board:

Acting President Adams reported that Water Operator, Brad Bode has met with GA Rich on quotes for water plant upgrades. They are quoting for a new aeration tank and updated the generator to self-start.

* Acting President Adams has met with Clerk Phillips on the water rate increase. Information was gathered, but more information is still needed. Tabled.
* All other agenda items have been tabled.

# HEALTH, BEAUTIFICATION AND WELFARE:

Trustee Miller reported the following to the board:

* Trustee Miller reported that the village is looking better. Trustee Miller is concerned about a few of the homes on west Main Street. Lots of junk. Lots of vehicles parking all ways and over the sidewalks. Trustee Miller is afraid a child is going to be hit by a car in this area.
* All other agenda items tabled.

# COMMUNITY DEVOPELMENT:

Trustee Shook was reported the following:

* Trustee Shook will talk to the 4-H about the community garden cleanup.
* Clerk Phillips shared the new sign that was donated by Route 29 Apparel. A big Thanks to Jamie for creating the sign.
* All other agenda items tabled.

# DRAINAGE:

Trustee Potts reported the following to the board:

* Trustee Potts discussed drainage solutions with the board.
* All other agenda items tabled.

# POLICE:

Chief Carter reported the following to the board:

* Chief Carter discussed the Bike Rodeo, this coming Saturday. They will also be doing a neon parade with the Rodeo this year.
* Chief Carter discussed the replacement of Office LaMar. Chief Carter and Chief Hoop with Danvers have found a candidate, Brian Hymer. Both Danvers PD and Stanford PD would like to send Brian to the part time police academy jointly. The academy is for seven months, every weekend. Brian would work for both Stanford and Danvers after graduation. Each community would pay half of the academy price, $1,000 each, which would be reimbursed by the state after graduation. He has agreed to be paid $15 per hour during his training, in which would be split by both departments, $7.50 each.

Trustee Hughes moved, seconded by Acting President Adams hire Brian Hymer as a part-time police officer and to split his sponsorship with Danvers police department.

\*\*\*\*Trustee Anderson left the meeting at 8:43pm\*\*\*\*

On roll call, the vote was:

AYES: 5- Acting President Adams, Trustees Hughes, Miller, Shook and Potts.

NAYS: 0

ABSENT: 1-Trustee Anderson

There being 5 affirmative votes the motion carried.

* Chief Carter discussed the speeding issue with the board. He has asked his officers and the county officers to setup radar patrol.
* Chief Carter researched different options solar speed signs and provided the board with information on them. Tabled.
* Chief Carter has put together a letter for donations for the police garage repairs.
* Chief Carter discussed the need to replace the shot guns for the squad cars. The guns are extremely old and he’s not even sure where they came from.

Trustee Hughes moved, seconded by Acting President Adams to purchase one shot gun @ $525.00, money to come from project fund.

On roll call, the vote was:

AYES: 5- Acting President Adams, Trustees Hughes, Miller, Shook and Potts.

NAYS: 0

ABSENT: 1-Trustee Anderson

There being 5 affirmative votes the motion carried.

* Chief Carter informed the board that all the other villages approved the consortium study. Attorney Pat McGrath will be conducting the study.
* Chief Carter updated the board on the new squad car. Still 6-7 weeks out from being equipped and completed.
* All other agenda items have been tabled.

# LEGAL:

Attorney Mark McGrath reported the following:

* 114 W Main, tabled.
* Attorney Pat McGrath sent over a contract from Good Energy, the village power aggregation company. They are raising their rates and need a new contract signed.

Acting President Adams moved, seconded by Trustee Hughes to accept the amended contract for professional services with Good Energy.

On roll call, the vote was:

AYES: 5- Acting President Adams, Trustees Hughes, Miller, Shook and Potts.

NAYS: 0

ABSENT: 1-Trustee Anderson

There being 5 affirmative votes the motion carried.

* All agenda items have been tabled.

# NEW BUSINESS:

* Retirement benefits, tabled at this time.
* The board discussed the annexation of Pat Heck into village limits. Ms. Heck has declined to annex into the village this time.
* Acting President Adams informed the board that the property on Stringtown Rd, with the zoning violation are complying and moving the business to a commercial property in Minier.
* Chief Carter would like to hold a special meeting to review the Kanban with the board. A special meeting will be Thursday, September 22nd @ 6pm.
* Clerk Phillips will send the Olsand grant information to the park district.
* Acting President Adams made a presidential proclamation for Halloween hours. Trick or Treat will be held Monday October 31st, 5-8:30pm.
* The trustees discussed the compensation of Chief Carter. Chief Carter is really on the low side of chief pay. Trustee Hughes would like the board to review the information provided and consider an increase of compensation.
* All other new business was tabled.

# ADJOURNEMENT:

Acting President Adams moved, seconded by Trustee Hughes to adjourn at 9:49pm.

On roll call, the vote was:

AYES: 5- Acting President Adams, Trustees Hughes, Miller, Shook and Potts.

NAYS: 0

ABSENT: 1-Trustee Anderson

There being 5 affirmative votes the motion carried.

Recorded and prepared by Clerk, Megan Phillips.

\*\*Meeting minutes are prepared by order of the agenda, not the order of the meeting\*\*