

MINUTES

MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

VILLAGE OF STEWARD, ILLINOIS

402 Main Street

Monday, October 14, 2024 at 7:00 P.M.

1. Call to order/pledge - 7:00PM
2. Roll Call - Zach (Y) Chris B (excused) Erik M (y) Laura S (Y) James T (y) Rylee B (Y)
3. Approval of the Agenda- Hugh adds VIP program as Item C New Business. Item B under Treasurer Report is to be money market money ready to use. Rylee motions to approve with additions. Zach seconds, all in favor.
4. Minutes of the September 9, 2024 Meeting - Erik motions to approve as presented. Laura seconds. All in Favor.
5. Treasurer's report - Matt gave a report. Laura motions to approve Matt's report. James seconds. Transfer of Funds- shortage of funds to pay last of engineering and CFPS. Village has to pay first then get reimbursed. Well #2 is in need of repairs Rylee motions to pull \$8090 from ARPA funds and \$5,000 from Money market. Laura seconds. Roll call: Zach (y) Erik (y) Laura (y) James (y) Rylee (y). All in Favor. Well #2 is in need of about \$40,000 in repair.
6. Accounts Payable - Rylee motions to pays bills as presented. Zach seconds. Roll Call: Zach (Y) Erik (Y) Laura (y) James (Y) Rylee (Y). All in Favor.
7. Visitor Recognition - Karen Bonnell
8. Committee Reports
 - A. Water Info:
 1. Hydrant Flushing - 9am on October 19th
 2. Water Well Solutions - Price previously discussed. Discussion took place about when money is due and when to schedule. Zach motions to schedule well repair up to \$41,000 but estimated total is \$40,775 with Water Well Solutions IL. Laura seconds. Roll Call: Zach (Y) Erik (Y) Laura (y) James (Y) Rylee (Y). All in Favor.
 - B. Park/Village Property
 1. Report of Property Maintenance

- a. Depot - Work is done & Looks great.
 - b. Village Hall - discussion took place as to when to start project.
Laura presented Matt Tourdot's bill. Zach motions to approve the estimate up to \$11,000 and with a 30% deposit and with the completion date for all of it to be done by early Spring 2025. Rylee seconds. Roll call: Zach (Y) Erik (Y) James (Y) Hugh (Y). Motion passes.
2. Tree Report- Karen is working on Tree City report.
 3. Publicity / Items for Newsletter /Technology/Website/Facebook-
Upcoming candidates Interviews and being a good citizen
9. Old Business
- A. Village Welcome Signs - Zach tabled until March. Rylee seconds.
 - B. RV/Travel Trailer Parking- Rylee tables until next March. Laura seconds.
 - C. Residents with pools/fencing - Rylee tables until next March. Laura seconds.
 - D. Road Repairs - Hugh says have to await approval from IDOT.
 - E. Auditors Report - Rylee motions to approve Auditors 2023/2024 Audit. James seconds.
10. New Business
- A. Tax Levy - Zach motions to approve 4%. Rylee seconds.
 - B. Steward Bypass - Discussion took place about information given at the previous informational meeting.
 - C. VIP Program- only a few candidates in bucket for monthly drawing and free quarter of water drawing. Zach motions to approve \$175 for gift cards. Rylee seconds. Roll Call: Zach (Y) Erik (Y) Laura (y) James (Y) Rylee (Y).
All in Favor.
11. Next Meeting Date - November 11, 2024 at 7:00pm
 12. Rylee motions to adjourn regular meeting Erik seconds at 7:45PM.