**MINUTES**

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF ARGENTA, ILLINOIS**

**#22-08-15 R08**

**MONDAY AUGUST 15, 2022 @ 6:00 P.M.**

**VILLAGE HALL, 330 N WARREN STREET, ARGENTA, ILLINOIS**

**Call to Order:**  Mayor Luedke called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

**Roll Call:** Mayor Luedke and Trustees Kaufman (via zoom), Barker, Mitchell, Berry, and Logan were present. Trustee Ryan and Public Works Director Derick Fisher were absent. Clerk Sherry Koszesza was present. Residents in attendance were Melody Wilkinson, Bob Wilkinson, and Mark Smith.

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**Consent Agenda:**

1. Approval of Board Meeting Minutes of July 18, 2022, #22-07-18 R07
2. Approval of Special Meeting Minutes of August 1, 2022, #22-08-01 SM03
3. Approval of Disbursements #22-08-15 D08
4. Approval of Bank Reconciliations #22-08-15 BR08
   * Trustee Berry moved and Trustee Mitchell seconded toapprove the Consent Agenda as presented.

Upon a call of the roll, the vote was:

Barker = Yes Berry = Yes

Kaufman = Yes Ryan = Absent

Mitchell = Yes Logan = Yes

Motion carried.

**Public Comment:** Mr. Wilkinson was here to talk about Mr. Smith’s house. He had a realtor evaluate his property and they suggested that it is not any better and will affect his property value. He said that Mr. Smith has a truck that is eight inches over his property line. Mrs. Wilkinson asked the definition of nuisance. Trustee Logan asked what else is in the way. Mrs. Wilkinson said that she cannot dig holes for the fence because his truck is parked on the property line. Mayor Luedke said that the Wilkinson’s need to have some patience with Mr. Smith and Mr. Smith must be a good neighbor. Mr. Wilkinson keeps saying that this is not a personal attack. Mayor Luedke will call Attorney Ed Flynn tomorrow. Mr. Smith said that the Wilkinson’s have a catering business. The Wilkinson’s said they do not. Mayor Luedke advised them that that is not the issue. Mayor Luedke will have the definition of nuisance for Mrs. Wilkinson later this week.

**Recognition of Visitors:** There were none.

**Department Reports:**

1. Village Staff Reports. Public Works Director Derick Fisher is back to work today and on light duty until the end of the month.
2. Mayor’s Report.

Chastain said they are still working on the easement for the RR crossing sidewalk. Water plant + Well #4 project plan is moving forward. The project will be divided into two components. The project plan must get clearance through various agencies. Matt did say the Native American agency (a tribe) is flagging every project. Trustee Barker said that if there are more properties that look like that they need addressed too.

Regarding 159 N North: Mayor Luedke has contacted a contractor to give an estimate to repair the front of this building. The owner had previously contacted the same contractor. He said it will be a lot of money to fix it and will get back to her next week. A court date has been set for September 7th.

There is concern over people who are leaving the bars with drinks in hand and drinking out along the sidewalks and street. Mayor Luedke had reports of drinks being taken out of a bar and taken into the community building. Later she had a report of a private party in one bar and those people taking drinks out of the bar. There was another report of a pick-up truck parked up town with the tailgate open and people drinking from there. She called Macon County to send a deputy to take care of this. She went up town at two different times; she observed someone taking alcohol into the community building. She informed Terry Grider. She is going to have Attorney Ed Flynn write a letter to each bar owner. She will also discuss with Sgt. Atkins to step up a police presence in that area.

1. Attorney’s Report: There was none.

**New Business:** There was none.

**Old Business:** There was none.

**Closed Session:**

* Semi-Annual review of Executive Session Minutes
  + Trustee Barker moved and Trustee Kaufman seconded togo to Executive Session at 6:39 p.m. for the Semi-Annual review of Executive Session Minutes.

Upon a call of the roll, the vote was:

Barker = Yes Berry = Yes

Kaufman = Yes Ryan = Absent

Mitchell = Yes Logan = Yes

Motion carried.

**Open Session:**

Open Session resumed at 6:42 p.m.

* + Trustee Kaufman moved and Trustee Barker seconded toapprove Resolution #22-08-15 Res 02, review of Executive Session Minutes.

Upon a call of the roll, the vote was:

Barker = Yes Berry = Yes

Kaufman = Yes Ryan = Absent

Mitchell = Yes Logan = Yes

Motion carried.

**Adjournment**

* Trustee Mitchell moved, and Trustee Berry seconded, to adjourn at 6:48 p.m.

Upon a call of the roll, the vote was:

Barker = Yes Berry = Yes

Kaufman = Yes Ryan = Absent

Mitchell = Yes Logan = Yes

Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned.

Minutes taken by Clerk Sherry Koszesza