

Village of Donnellson

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Village Board Meeting Minutes

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August 14, 2023

Pledge of Allegiance was led by Gary Long.

President Darrell Jett opened the meeting at 7:01 pm.

Roll Call Completed:

Present: President: Darrell Jett. Trustees: Fran Jett, Gary Long, Ken Buckingham, John Dankoski, Virginia Kenny. Clerk/Treasurer-Sheryl Reynolds, Clerk-Diane Dankoski.

Absent: Water Superintendent Bill Grider, Chief of Police-Wayne Watkins.

Meeting Minutes:

- Ken Buckingham made a motion to accept the minutes of the July 10, 2023 meeting. Fran Jett seconded the motion. All were in favor.

Treasurer's Report:

- Fran Jett made a motion to accept the treasurer's report; it was seconded by Ken Buckingham. All were in favor.

Monthly Bills:

- Fran Jett made a motion to pay the bills; it was seconded by Gary Long. All were in favor.

Clerk/Treasurer Questions:

Gary Long asked Clerk/Treasurer Reynolds about her recent workshop in Bloomington. Sheryl discussed the legalities of destroying records and the new law regarding renewal of liquor licenses.

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Trustee Concerns:

- John Dankoski reported about his efforts to contact a fire department volunteer regarding fire extinguishers and smoke alarms.

Water/Sewer Concerns:

- Virginia Kenny asked why Donnellson is still on a boil order. President Jett explained the low chlorine issues. Sheryl Reynolds expanded on the issues.
- John Dankoski expressed concern about low meter holes and who is responsible if someone injures themselves. President Jett stated that the property owner is responsible.
- Clerk/Treasurer Reynolds gave an update on the Lead Service Line Inventory project. It is no longer being conducted by 120 Water via EJ Water.

Policies and Practices: None

Public Comments:

- Clerk Diane Dankoski relayed a phone message from a resident expressing concern about the continuing boil order.
- As a resident, Diane Dankoski discussed problems with dog(s) not kept on leashes and frustration with garbage piling up.
- Virginia Kenny asked about painting the water tower. President Jett responded that there are no plans at this time.

Roads and Parks: None

Police: None

Grants: None

Ordinances: None

Internal Financial Review:

- The financial review for July was completed satisfactorily.

Old Business:

- The contract with EJ regarding the meter replacement has not been completed.
- The Water Main Replacement grant has been awarded to Donnellson in the amount of \$1.5 million. An engineer from M & G will attend the September meeting to provide more details.

New Business

- Clerk/Treasurer Reynolds explained the need to transfer monies into the Sewer Operations and Maintenance Fund. John Dankoski made a motion to transfer \$8,000.00 from General Account #2 into the Sewer O&M Fund. It was seconded by Fran Jett, all were in favor.
- The board discussed the water main replacement grant and raised questions. The engineer from M&G will attend the September meeting to explain the details and answer questions.
- Gary Long made a motion to bypass the purchase of a CD this month. It was seconded by Ken Buckingham, all were in favor.

With no further business to discuss, Gary Long made a motion to adjourn; Ken Buckingham seconded the motion, all were in favor. The meeting adjourned at 7:41 pm.

Recorded and submitted by:

Sheryl Reynolds, Village Clerk/Treasurer