

The Water Report was presented for the month of April to the Board for their approval. Motion made by Callan, seconded by Wilson, that the Water Report be approved and filed as presented. Motion passed by all "Yea" votes.

The Sewer Report was presented for the month of April to the Board for their approval. Motion made by Bailey, seconded by Callan, that the Sewer Report be approved and filed as presented. Motion passed by all "Yea" votes.

The Police Report was presented for the month of April to the Board for their approval. Motion made by Rusher, seconded by Ramsey, that the Police Report be approved and filed as presented. Motion passed by all "Yea" votes.

Bills against the Village were presented for the approval of the Board. Motion made by Wilson, seconded by Rusher, to approve and issue warrants for all bills. Motion passed by all "Yea" votes.

Zoning Officer's Report: Zoning Officer LeVault issued one zoning permit in the month of April.

Permit # 779-22 to Dean Voudrie, located at 212 W. Wabash for porches.

President Dowdy asked for a motion to approve the Zoning Report for the month of April. Motion made by Callan, seconded by Rusher, to approve the Zoning report for the month of April. Motion passed by a 6-0 vote.

Mayor's Report:

President Dowdy discussed changes to the General Fund Budget and asked for a motion to approve. Motion by Blakeman, seconded by Wilson, to approve the General Fund Budget. Motion passed with a 6-0 vote.

President Dowdy welcomed Jack Trimble, Trimble Construction, Inc. to the table. Trimble Construction Inc. is building the new United Methodist Church. Jack came to the meeting on behalf of the United Methodist Church to discuss the drainage of water and how to get rid of it.

Jack proposed to put a catch basin in the triangle area on the north end of it to drain into a culvert that runs across the road and heads north, on the east side of the road. The downspouts will drain over into the catch basin plus any surface water that would run down the street. They will also be putting nine or ten parking spots in the triangle.

Jack's second proposal is to fix Elm Street in front of the church. It is sagging and needs to be raised up about 12 inches. He spoke with Lewis Marsh about putting rock down and compacting it, then they would put two coats of oil and rock. On the south side where the general parking will be they will be oiling and chipping that at the same time.

The goal is to get the water to go into the catch basin to drain across the road and into the east ditch down to the tile down behind Casey's.

Superintendent Heberling said a couple of culverts will need to be replaced and some ditch work will need to be done to get the water to go behind Casey's.

Trustee Rusher questioned with regards to the triangle, why they were going to go down the east side and not the west side?

Jack confirmed that they will be going down the west side not the east side.

Trustee Rusher questioned who will be responsible for the repair of the road that will be raised a foot?

President Dowdy said that the Village's program of oiling and chipping is not done every year, only two or three years depending on how bad the roads are.

Jack suggested to address the Church board about the who is responsible for repairing the road.

Motion made by Rusher, seconded by Bailey, to allow Trimble Construction, Inc. to proceed with the drainage that was proposed and to build the road up contingent of a two-year maintenance agreement from the United Methodist Church, if needed. Motion passed with a 6-0 vote.

President Dowdy welcomed Matt Warren to the table to discuss amending the Off-Road Utility Vehicle on City Roadways ordinance. The ordinance requires a factory bed size of at least 11 cubic feet and the ability to dump the bed. He asked to amend the Ordinance to allow for a 4-seater, 4-door vehicle that does not have a dump bed feature. He said that the City of Taylorville has allowed these vehicles and has no knowledge of having issues with them.

President Dowdy stated that when the Ordinance was initially put into place, it was kind of along the line of the golf cart ordinance and that is where the cubic feet in the bed came from to allow people to use them to haul grass clippings, etc.

Trustee Rusher feels it is worth looking into changing the Ordinance.

President Dowdy suggested getting copies of other municipalities Ordinances on off-road utility vehicles and have a meeting to discuss.

After much discussion, this issue was tabled until June 2022.

President Dowdy asked for a motion to approve the water rate increase for Sharpsburg and Neighboring Area Water System (SNAWS) to \$4.60 per 1,000 gallons per month. This water rate change was discussed at the Water Committee meeting. Motion made

by Callan, seconded by Wilson, to approve the water rate increase for Sharpsburg and Neighboring Area Water System (SNAWS) to \$4.60 per 1,000 gallons per month. Motion passed with a 6-0 vote.

President Dowdy discussed with the Board that the new budget has \$10,000 to use toward sidewalks. He suggested compiling a list of sidewalks that are priority and/or people that are interested in paying half and the Village pay the other half for sidewalk replacement.

Superintendent Heberling said that he has someone that is willing to help pour the concrete but does not have price for the cost. Trustee Rusher suggested the Village pay for the concrete and pay him for the labor.

President Dowdy stated that the Village owes a partial sidewalk to Dooley's because it was broken due to the water project.

President Dowdy discussed the list that was compiled on the streetlights in town and asked for the Board's thoughts.

Trustee Blakeman asked if some of the streetlights come down and something happens to the properties who is liable is something happens to the property.

President Dowdy said the intention is to send out letters to the property owners on either side of the light and give them the choice to pick up the cost of the light and leave the light or lights in place.

President Dowdy also said there will be a light added to spotlight the flag uptown.

Trustee Blakeman asked if the streetlights could be kept near businesses.

President Dowdy welcomed Superintendent Jake Heberling to the table to discuss 192 GIS Gas Mapping. The 192 GIS Mapping is a share file program of the USDI for gas utilities. This program is something that the Village will have to have in the next couple of years. There is a onetime setup fee of \$3,000 which provides 16 hours of training and then the cost would be \$2,600 annually.

Trustee Blakeman made a motion to go ahead and get the 192 GIS Mapping since it will be mandatory. There was no second to the motion.

After much discussion, 192 GIS Gas Mapping was tabled.

Garage sales are set for Friday, May 13 and Saturday, May 14, 2022.

The Village will be getting two dumpsters the week of May 13, 2022, for Village clean-up and will keep the dumpsters until it is full.

President Dowdy asked for a motion to grant the liquor license to the Summerfest Committee for use June 17, 18, and 19, 2022. Motion by Callan, seconded by Wilson, to grant the liquor license to the Summerfest Committee for use June 18, 19, and 20, 2021. Motion passed with a 6-0 vote.

President Dowdy welcomed Jodi Rusher and Jenny Prasun to the table as a co-chairs of the Stonington Summerfest. Jodi announced that this year's event will be held June 17, 18, and 19, 2022. The theme for this year's Summerfest is "The Show Must Go On!". Jodi announced that the Stonington Summerfest is in need of volunteers.

They requested the Village's assistance with setting up and tearing down, setting up barricades and road closures. She asked if more roads could be closed this year. There will be a 3-on-3 Basketball tournament and inflatables.

On behalf of the committee, she asked for a donation from the Village towards firework expenses.

President Dowdy asked for a motion to donate \$2,000.00 towards the Summerfest fireworks to come out of the General Fund. Motion was made by Callan, seconded by Wilson, to donate \$2,000.00 towards the Summerfest fireworks to come out of the General Fund. Motion passed with a 6-0 vote.

Village Engineer Report: Engineer Bingham reported they received an update yesterday that media was put back into the tanks. Next week looking at doing start-up on the softeners and filters.

Engineer Bingham requested the following disbursement requests for the water project:

Burdick Plumbing & Heating, Inc.....	\$42,615.00
Chastain & Associates, LLC	\$6,452.56

President Dowdy asked for a motion to pay the requested disbursement of \$42,615.00 to Burdick Plumbing & Heating, Inc. and \$6,452.56 to Chastain & Associates, LLC for engineering costs. Motion made by Rusher, seconded by Callan, to pay Burdick Plumbing & Heating, Inc. \$42,615.00 and \$6,452.56 to Chastain & Associates, LLC for engineering costs. Motion passed with a 6-0 vote.

Engineer Bingham presented a change order in the amount of \$9,066.75 from Burdick Plumbing & Heating, Inc. for changing from the antennas to cellular communications.

President Dowdy asked for a motion to approve the change order in the amount of \$9,066.75 from Burdick Plumbing & Heating, Inc. for changing from the antennas to cellular communications. Motion made by Callan, seconded by Rusher, to approve the change order in the amount of \$9,066.75 from Burdick Plumbing & Heating, Inc. for changing from the antennas to cellular communications. Motion passed with a 6-0 vote.

Village Attorney Report: Nothing to report.

Superintendent's Report: Superintendent Heberling asked if he could go ahead and get the culverts purchased for the United Methodist project.

He asked if they could still have Mike Scott do the new ditch work because he has the equipment. He knows in the past that he has done the ditch work.

On Tuesday, they are going to put a water service in the first house going out of town where Todd Sanders used to live.

Superintendent Heberling stated that he will be on vacation during Summerfest and one of the Village Works employees will be in Effingham for two days for gas training.

For public comment, President Dowdy welcomed Anthony Rusher to the table. As Stonington Fire Chief, he is requesting to block off North Street on May 19, 2022, because Taylorville kindergarten classes are coming to town for a program.

Anthony Rusher also asked who can write a ticket for violation of the burn ordinance for an illegal burn.

President Dowdy said that any of the Board members and police and part-time police can enforce the ordinance and write a ticket for an illegal burn.

President Dowdy questioned if the existing flowerpots are going to be left until the new flowerpots are delivered.

Superintendent Heberling said the new flowerpots have been ordered and said they would four to six weeks until they are delivered.

WATER – The Water Report for March 23, 2022 – April 21, 2022, billing period was presented.

GAS – The Gas Report for March 23, 2022 – April 21, 2022, billing period was presented.

SEWER – The Sewer Report for March 23, 2022 – April 21, 2022, billing period was presented.

Committee Reports: STREETS & ALLEYS – Nothing to report.

HEALTH & SAFETY – Nothing to report.

FINANCE – Nothing to report.

WATER – Trustee Callan questioned the parking at the Stonington Park. He questioned if it was legal to park parallel.

President Dowdy said that it wasn't legal or illegal because it is not marked.

Trustee Rusher is going to talk to Park Board member Gerry Gilpin about the parking.

SEWER – Nothing to report.

GAS – Trustee Blakeman is watching the gas prices. He reported the daily prices are running \$7.70 and the futures are running \$7.20.

Office manager, Kari Scott questioned if she and Superintendent Heberling and other employees are compensation to attend board meetings.

President Dowdy stated that there has never been anything different from the past.

Office manager, Kari Scott reported they have received the timeclocks and are working on them and figuring them out.

Treasure, Debbie Niles, reported that there was a question on the Sharpsburg account about a large amount charged that made it look like they had a leak. She stated that it was not a leak. It was a manual read that was written down wrong making it look like they were charged a lot. It was a billing adjustment.

President Dowdy set the date and time for the June Regular Meeting as Monday, June 6, 2022, at 7:00 p.m. in the Village Hall.

With no further business coming before the Board, a motion was made by Rusher, seconded by Callan, to adjourn the meeting at 8:18 p.m. Motion passed by all "Yea" votes.

APPROVED:

Bruce Dowdy, Village President

ATTEST:

Jill Gilpin, Village Clerk