

**VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
REGULAR MEETING
7:00 P.M., OCTOBER 15, 2018**

After calling the meeting to order, President Kaufman led the Pledge of Allegiance. The Clerk called the roll, with the following members present: Blunier, Heer, Leman, Parrott – 4.

PUBLIC HEARING – None.

PRESENTATIONS – Morton School District 709 Superintendent Jeffrey Hill gave an overview presentation on the upcoming Facility Sales Tax Referendum that will be on the November 2018 ballot.

PUBLIC COMMENT – Troy Saunders of 207 Stonecrop spoke about an incident with a woman who was misled by an energy supplier into changing her provider and over time ended up with much higher electrical bills. He wanted to make the Board and the public aware of the situations like this and encourage everyone to do due diligence before making any decisions to switch providers.

CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Approval of Minutes.
 - 1. Regular Meeting – October 1, 2018
- B. Approval of Bills

Trustee Heer moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Motion was seconded by Trustee Leman and approved with the following roll call vote:

Yes: Blunier, Heer, Leman, Parrott – 4.
No: None.
Absent: Belsley, Newman.

VILLAGE PRESIDENT

President Kaufman requested approval of the appointment of Jason Scarfe to the Business District Commission to fill a vacant position with a term expiring April 30, 2020. Trustee Heer moved to approve. Motion was seconded by Trustee Parrott and approved with the following roll call vote:

Yes: Blunier, Heer, Leman, Parrott – 4.
No: None.
Absent: Belsley, Newman.

VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR

Administrator Smick presented Resolution 13-19, a resolution authorizing changes to the annual funding calculation and property tax levy for the Morton Police Pension Fund. She gave a detailed overview and noted that the resolution would increase the growth of the fund and would revise the calculation to attain 100% funded status by 2040. Trustee Parrott moved to approve. Motion was seconded by Trustee Heer and approved with the following roll call vote:

Yes: Blunier, Heer, Leman, Parrott – 4.
No: None.
Absent: Belsley, Newman.

Administrator Smick then presented a building improvement grant recommendation from the Business District Commission. She noted that the grant is for Andris Dental at 636 W. Jefferson and that the grant amount would be \$10,000 for signage, landscaping, handicap doors, and concrete replacement. Trustee Parrott moved to approve. Motion was seconded by Trustee Leman and approved with the following roll call vote:

Yes: Blunier, Heer, Leman, Parrott – 4.

No: None.

Absent: Belsley, Newman.

Administrator Smick then presented a proposal for payment of a landscaping project at the US Post Office at 600 W. Jefferson from Business District Funds. She explained that the business district had a tie vote on recommending the funding, and Trustee Parrott gave an overview of the project, noting that it would substantially improve the landscaping which is badly needed and unlikely to be funded by the federal government any higher than \$2,500, which would be put toward the project, with \$14,200 coming from Business District funds. Trustee Parrott moved to approve. Motion was seconded by Trustee Blunier and approved with the following roll call vote:

Yes: Blunier, Heer, Leman, Parrott – 4.

No: None.

Absent: Belsley, Newman.

CHIEF OF POLICE

Chief Hilliard presented the 2018 Pumpkin Festival Police Department Expenses. He noted that this year's expenses were slightly less than last year and that one of the reasons was the lack of extra dispatchers directly on the Village payroll since the consolidation of the Tazewell County dispatch centers. Trustee Leman moved to approve. Motion was seconded by Trustee Heer and approved with the following roll call vote:

Yes: Blunier, Heer, Leman, Parrott – 4.

No: None.

Absent: Belsley, Newman.

DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS

DPW Loudermilk requested acceptance of proposal from EN Engineering (Chicago, IL) for an alternating current (AC) mitigation study for the existing 8" gas pipeline in the amount of \$19,000.00. He gave a detailed overview and explained that there are some areas of bubbling that could be of concern and that this study would determine possibilities to fix the issues of concern, hopefully for the next fiscal year. Trustee Heer moved to approve. Motion was seconded by Trustee Parrott and approved with the following roll call vote:

Yes: Blunier, Heer, Leman, Parrott – 4.

No: None.

Absent: Belsley, Newman.

PLANNING AND ZONING OFFICER

PZO Spangler gave an overview of another solar farm being proposed to the Tazewell County Zoning Board from Cypress Creek Renewables and introduced individuals from the company who gave a presentation on the proposed project.

VILLAGE TRUSTEES

BLUNIER – Nothing to report.

HEER – Nothing to report.

LEMAN – Nothing to report.

PARROTT – Nothing to report.

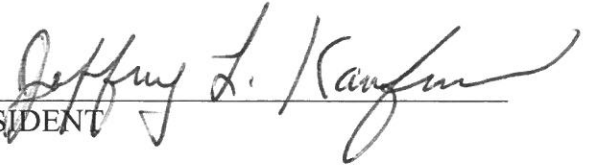
AJOURNMENT

With no further business to come before the Board, Trustee Parrott moved to adjourn. Motion was seconded by Trustee Heer and followed by a unanimous voice vote.

ATTEST:



VILLAGE CLERK



PRESIDENT

